



THANKFULLY RECEIVED GIFTS FROM THE PAST –

GIVING FREELY IN THE PRESENT FOR THE FUTURE

Most people would agree that childhood memories are treasures as well as building blocks for healthy, meaningful and productive adult lives. So what will our tamariki remember and value from their time at the Tauranga Waldorf School, in the years to come?

Last term we took the opportunity to ask the children who will soon be graduating, exactly this question. And the themes that emerged were as diverse and colourful as we could have wished.

They said they liked helping run the school in their senior year and that they valued the school taking the idea of developing leadership so seriously. They said they liked the forge and enjoyed being allowed to make and work with knives. They thought it was very good to have groups of people making music together and they enjoyed being able to contribute to the festivals and come to understand what they mean. They liked getting to know their teachers so well and said that this meant they were able to talk things through with them. They loved the farm and gardens. Also kindy buns. Etc etc

What a privilege for a community to see the reflection of their values and contributions in our youth! For me, it is such a validation of the efforts of all those past parents whose pledged contributions made these treasured memories a reality for our 2020 leavers – and many more leavers to come. This is the Special Character of our community at work.

As we pushforward with plans for 2021 - as well as for 2031 . Your indication of the level of personal commitment you can pledge for 2021 will in turn allow the Trust to make sensible decisions of what can be offered in terms of the present. That includes all the things that are special to our school and kindergarten : the therapies, the festivals, the farm, all the arts, drama, music, and extra programs. It also allows us to decide what can be put towards our plans to extend our accommodation into the future.

By returning the special character re-commitment / pledge form, you confirm that your child intends to return next year and that you are still committed to partnering the Trust in delivering our Special Character education to all the children of the community. We need the forms returned by the 20th of October 2020. Alternatively, if we don't hear back from you, we will assume you have made other plans for your child/rens future education.

If you have any questions or need assistance with filling in the form please do not hesitate to contact us, you can email pledges@waldorftga.nz or call to make a time for a chat.

Yours truly,

Stephen Lane
Chair
Waldorf Schools
(Bay of Plenty) Trust



Recommended Donation Amount to maintain our current level of Special Character

	Weekly payments 52 payments Starting January	Fortnightly 26 payments Starting January	Termly payments payable in week 2 each term	Amount Per annum Payable by 31st March
Pledge for Nursery age child	\$36.30 per week	\$72.70 per fortnight	\$472.50 per term	\$1,890 per year
Pledge for young child	\$48.10 per week	\$96.20 per fortnight	\$625 per term	\$2,500 per year
Family Pledge for 1 child	\$67.30 per week	\$134.60 per fortnight	\$875 per term	\$3,500 per year
Family pledge for 2 children	\$115.40 per week	\$230.80 per fortnight	\$1,500 per term	\$6,000 per year
Family pledge for 3 children	\$153.80 per week	\$307.60 per fortnight	\$2,000 per term	\$8,000 per year
Family pledge for 4+ children	\$192.30 per week	\$384.60 per fortnight	\$2,500 per term	\$10,000 per year
Reminder	If you pay your pledge before 31st March you can claim your tax rebate early			

If you have any questions or difficulties filling in the pledge form or estimating your family's contribution, please contact our Pledge manager – pledges@waldorftga.nz who will be able to assist and discuss options with you.

✂ *Cut off and keep for your records*

My total donation for the _____ school year ending 31st December will be: Amount \$ _____

Payments

\$ _____

Other

Account Details

for Direct Transfers:

Account Name:

Account Number:

Particulars:

Code:

Reference:

Waldorf Schools (Bay of Plenty) Trust

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Children's Family Name

Pledge

Family name followed by initials of **person paying**



Kindergarten/School Family Pledge Form

To be completed annually by every family

Name of parent/caregivers _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Name of second parent _____

If you have an agreed donation sharing agreement (e.g. grandparent, family trust) Please describe

Name/Address in which your tax donation receipt should be issued

Child's Last Name	First Name	Kindergarten/Class
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

My total donation for the _____ school year ending 31st December will be: Amount \$ _____

Payments
\$ _____

Other (e.g Deeds or Board Fees)
\$ _____

For monetary payments please further indicate

Annual or Termly
Payments
\$ _____

Monthly
Payments
\$ _____

Fortnightly
Payments
\$ _____

Weekly
Payments
\$ _____

Name Signature _____ Date

Account Details for Direct Transfers: Account Name: Waldorf Schools (B.O.P) Trust
 Account Number: 02 0466 0057252 18
 Particulars: Children's Family Name
 Code: Pledge
 Reference: Family name followed by initials of **person paying**

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Special Character Re-Commitment Form

Children's Name/s: _____

At the heart of the Tauranga Waldorf School Special Character is the principle of shared responsibility and community partnership. Special Character preference, the legal grounds for my child/ren's enrolment in the school is expressed therefore in my commitment to actively support the delivery of a Waldorf education for all tamariki of the community in the following ways:

8 Core Actions That Express My Commitment to Special Character

Please confirm by ticking

- Using the school's communication protocols and pathways**
 - in order to develop, sustain and model for the children, positive relationships and partnership with all class teachers, co-workers, the College of Teachers and wider Tauranga Waldorf School community.
- Attending class parent evenings and teacher-parent interviews**
 - to learn about creating the conditions needed for all the children of the community to receive a Waldorf Education. In the event of being unable to attend, I'll submit an apology and read minutes.
- Reading the school newsletter, class and office communications**
 - as a means of being informed about parent meetings and other important school events.
- Support Special Character**
 - my intention to support my child/ren's participation in all aspects of the Special Character learning programs of the school's local curriculum which is guided by the Curriculum Guidelines and Learning Steps of Steiner Education Aotearoa New Zealand (SEANZ) and He Reo Puawai. This support includes extracurricular and Festival events.
- Respond to requests from class liaison parents where able**
 - to support working bees, outings, camps, cleaning of classrooms during holidays.
- Support school festivals**
 - by ensuring that children are dressed as requested and set up to meet requirements of attendance, behaviour and participation.
- Support the Annual Fair and Open Day**
 - by participating in and helping to make a success.
- Commit to an annual pledged contribution**
 - identifying money and/or deeds which I intend to contribute over the next year and agree to communicate about any difficulties I have upholding this commitment.

I confirm my child/ren's continued enrolment in the school over the next 12 months and my continued preference for and support of the schools Special Character.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____