Parent Involvement Programme Policy

All policy flows from the Emmaus Christian School Vision Statement:
"To provide an excellent education and mentoring within a Christian worldview and community."

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Purpose
Emmaus was established by a group of parents and continues to encourage parents to be involved with their child’s education and school life generally, as this benefits the student as well as the school. We are a small school and need our parents to help us keep our running costs at a reasonable level. This involvement is formalised through our Parent Involvement Programme (PIP). PIP is designed to encourage all parents to offer practical assistance to the school in a variety of areas.

The Policy
Preschool families are asked to volunteer a total of 10 hours during the year. Parents are welcome to do more hours than this.

Primary and Secondary School families are asked to volunteer a total of 25 hours during the year, roughly 6 hours per term.

Parents may provide voluntary work at the school in a range of areas that fall into either of 2 categories:

1. Non-student related – such as after-hours and weekend cleaning, book covering, laundering, fetching orders from suppliers etc… and

2. Student related – any activity where the parent has direct contact with students. This may include helping in a classroom or at a school carnival, or providing a car and driving students to an event. Parents wishing to assist in this way must have a current Working With Vulnerable People registration and may provide such service to the class of their own child only, unless invited by the relevant teacher and subject to the discretion of the Principal to serve in a different class.

These hours need to be carried out within the required needs of the school. Please note certain activities have conditions as noted on the website.

Each time a family volunteers time, their effort is credited at an hourly rate. While we would prefer you to serve, if you are unable to serve these hours; a parent may choose to simply pay equivalent monies in at the start of the year and not do any practical work at the school. Their money will then be used to pay someone to do work for the school as needed. Towards the end of November, parents will be invoiced any outstanding PIP hours at $50 per hour.

Related Emmaus Christian School Policies
- Fee Policy

References
Nil

Associated Forms

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