

# Compassionate Fund

## Rationale

The Christ Church community lives by our values of Care and Compassion, Respect, Integrity and Excellence. We want to support current CCGS families who, through extenuating circumstances, fall into financial difficulty through no fault of their own.

## Why we want to establish the Fund

We receive requests for financial assistance throughout the year and we cannot help all the families that require some level of short-term financial assistance. With your support, we can help students remain at school, in their routine, and in a familiar environment with their friends.

Each year we receive requests from families. In the past the School has been reactive to these requests, hoping to find financial support from different sources to help. We acknowledge as a School that we need to be more strategic about these requests and plan.

## Our vision for the Compassionate Fund

We would like to build an endowment fund which would sit in a high interest cash account. The interest generated from the endowment would be used to support families who are successful in their request to receive short-term crisis financial assistance.

The family and student should be in good standing with the School.



## Eligibility

Compassionate Fund bursaries are assessed by the Compassionate Fund Committee on a case-by-case basis and reviewed each term. Transparent reporting of all financial assets/liabilities are compulsory when applying for assistance. To apply for assistance, the following documentation is required:

- A completed Bursary Application Form
- A completed and signed Statement of Financial Position
- Copies of the applicant's latest tax return

Long-term financial assistance requests will not be considered.

Confidentiality will be the basis of all individual interactions.

## Compassionate Fund Committee

Applications are reviewed by the Compassionate Fund Committee which consists of:

- Principal
- Chief Financial Officer
- Director of Advancement
- Deputy Principal / Head of Senior School / Head of Preparatory School
- Chaplain

## Governance and Reporting

An annual report will be generated for School Council with high level information about how funds have been spent in one academic year.

Please help us to support Christ Church families when they need it the most. For more information please contact:

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