St Gregory’s College
Campbelltown

CHARITABLE COLLECTIONS
and
FUNDRAISING POLICY 2012

Implemented: May 2010
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Charitable Collections and Fundraising Policy

Purpose:
This document supports the school plan of committing to strengthening the social justice conscience of the school community. It aims to do this in a way consistent with the Marist charism, engaging students in a compassionate response to those at risk in society.

Rationale:
This policy must be implemented while maintaining active links with Marist Solidarity. The clear, preferential option for Marist Solidarity derives from the reality that this organisation is limited in its fundraising orbit to the Catholic community and the Marist Network. St Gregory’s College is a part of the community upon which they rely to undertake their work. While the good work of other agencies is acknowledged, the orbit of their fundraising community extends beyond the Catholic community and thus they have alternative access to resources.

- The school has an obligation to support Marist Solidarity as a priority over other agencies.
- A major fundraising initiative of the year is the Lenten Appeal and all monies raised go to Marist Solidarity.

Major Fundraising Initiatives
The College supports the following charities on an annual basis:

- Marist Solidarity Lenten Appeal (Term 1)
- Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal – volunteers enlisted (Term 2)
• Solomon Island Immersion Program (Term 2)

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Basis for discretion
There will be occasions when there is a wish to support charities or agencies outside this policy’s guidelines.

- Relationships with charities or agencies might be established due to the particular circumstances of one or more members of the school community, for example, blind student or a teacher with cancer. These local circumstances call for appropriate flexibility in the general policy stated above.
- Targeted, individual projects can give the school community a sense of relationship and provide a sense of tangibility. Individual Projects which the school wishes to support beyond Marist Solidarity can be appropriate if the following guidelines are adhered to:
  - The project has well defined objectives
  - There is quality feedback to the school on the project and the use to which money has been put.
  - Specific enquiries are made to determine that the project is well managed and the agency has a track record that is sound and long running

One such project is the provision of volunteers to support the Salvation Army’s Red Shield appeal.
The St Vincent de Paul Society is also a preferred charity.

Fundraising for personal interests
Students who wish to raise money for an interest outside of the College must seek approval from the College Headmaster in writing and be given approval before they undertake fundraising activities. The request should include all details of the event/project (dates, total cost, and location).

Fundraising for College related activities
If a student is involved in a College related activity that requires fund raising it will be organised in liaison with the Year Coordinator and the College Leadership Team.

No student is allowed to sell chocolates or other fundraising activities on College premises or in College Uniform without the express permission of the College Headmaster or their delegate.
Appendix 1: Permission card sample

Permission for Fundraising

Date:

Permission is granted to: _______________________ of

Year ___ to conduct fundraising for his ___________________

From ________ to ________

Thank you for your support

Mr Stephen Kennaugh