

Application to apply for a Grant from the Milford School PTA



Do you have an idea to improve the education at Milford School? Our PTA meets throughout the year to evaluate new Grant requests.

Our primary goal is to benefit the students at Milford School. People have lots of ideas on how to achieve this goal, with the PTA hoping to have many more ideas than it can possibly fund. The PTA will try to support the best ideas, considering the following questions:

- Is this project the best use of the PTA funds, or are our funds more urgently required for something else?
- Will this project solve an existing problem or meet a need that is not currently being met?
- Do we have a clear idea how the project would work? (a timetable and details on any items to be purchased would be helpful)

Any teacher, staff member, parent or student can submit a PTA grant request.

Completed requests may be left either at School reception or in the PTA Suggestion Box.

Applicants are welcome to come to a PTA meeting to present their ideas.

Criteria:

The criteria and processes by which grant applications are considered are:

- Each applicant is entitled to one grant only per calendar year other than in an exceptional circumstance.
- There must be no conflict of interest existing between the applicant and the provider of the goods or services.
- The purpose of the grant must be “future focussed” and not retrospective.
- Expenses must be incurred within New Zealand with the exception of items not available in New Zealand.
- Salaries and wages will be considered but are rated as a low priority.
- An application for a grant must not be for a purpose that the New Zealand Government is obligated to meet.
- Grants must not be a substitute for government expenditure nor for capital works e.g. buildings. The philosophy behind the grant is that it is to support learning from a child’s perspective.

Additional criteria for sporting applications:

- Sports applications must be for the benefit of amateur participants only
- Sports applications must be for the benefit of players – not supporters

Examples:

- play equipment – outdoor/indoor and storage
- puzzles
- centre equipment e.g. bookracks, collage trolley, water troughs
- safety improvements e.g. childproof gates, outside sun shelter
- outside play equipment and storage
- safety improvements – shade house
- cultural requirements – performance equipment
- outdoor education equipment
- musical instruments and resources
- library books
- CD-Roms, videos for library/teaching use
- CD-Roms, software that support the curriculum and develop skills

This grant process is new to all of us, so please bear with us through this new process. If you have any questions about the grant program or need a grant application, please contact the PTA

