McClelland College under the new Reform Agreement has received some funds to assist low income families with education expenses for the 2015 school year.

The school would therefore like to assist eligible parents with education-related costs. If you have a child under 16, and hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the McClelland College Education Allowance. The allowance will be credited to your fees once the application has been approved.

**To be eligible to receive the education allowance, you must:**
- Be either a parent or guardian of a current McClelland College student up to the age of sixteen; and
- Be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent;
- Submit your application to the school by the due date for 2015 - **28 February**

New McClelland College Education Allowance arrangements for 2015

- **$100** for students until age 16.
- Please note these funds can only be used to cover the costs of student supplied material charges
- It does not cover:
  - uniform
  - text book
  - Voluntary Charges

**Application Process**
Application Forms may be completed at the general office between the **2 February and 28 February 2015**. (Refer right)

**Important Notification**: This initiative is only applicable to students enrolled at McClelland College. Parents who transfer children to another school are not able to transfer funds when they exit.

This policy was approved by McClelland College Council on: **8 December 2015**

**Other Information**

**SCHOOLKIDS BONUS**
Legislation has passed to phase out School kids Bonus payments. The School kids Bonus will continue until the end of 2016. This will allow families time to adjust to the change. The last instalment will be paid in July 2016.

The legislative change introduces an income test starting on 1 January 2015.

**Payment rates for School Kids Bonus**
From 1 January 2015 eligible families under Government guidelines will receive Schoolkids Bonus in:
- 2 instalments of $421 for each child in secondary school – a total of $842 each year.
PARENT EDUCATION ALLOWANCE AGREEMENT 2015

Authority and Agreement:
McClelland College offers a credit system to assist families who receive the McClelland College Allowance. In order to access this funding it is necessary for parent/guardians to complete and sign the Parent Allowance Agreement.

I confirm that the payment of the schools essential educational items and optional extras as stated in your invoice has been explained to me by the school.

Should my health care card be withdrawn by Centrelink I will notify McClelland College immediately and understand that I will no longer be eligible to receive the McClelland College Education Allowance.

2015 Education Allowance:

$100 pro rata for students up to the age of sixteen.

Centrelink Pensioner
Centrelink Health/Concession
Foster Parent
Veterans Affairs Pensioner

Care Card Number (CRN)

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Human Services (DHS) or Courts etc

Parent/ Guardian name: ____________________________________________

Student: ___________________________ DOB: __________

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Total fees owing $________________________

McClelland College Education Allowance: $________________________

Balance of Fees: $________________________

I understand that McClelland College will credit my education allowance towards the school essential educational items, optional extras and that it is my responsibility to ensure the balance of the outstanding essential educational items, optional extras are paid in accordance with the School payment policy.

Parent/Guardian Sign: ___________________________ Date: ______________________

Staff Initial: __________________________________________

UNFORTUNATELY LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
Closing date is 28 February 2015