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Dear Fellow Anthroposophist,

**Contributions sought to establish 'Aurora Rose' –  
A Steiner Kindergarten and future Primary school for the Southern Highlands**

We are writing this letter on behalf of the Southern Highlands Association for Steiner Education (S.H.A.S.E).

The Association was formed three years ago, with the view to foster a community rich in Anthroposophy and Steiner Education.

The Harmony Centre in Mittagong has been instrumental in cultivating Rudolf Steiner's initiatives through the Arts (Painting, Eurythmy and Speech), Bio-dynamic farming workshops, Lectures and Seminars on Anthroposophy and for the last four years has invested in Waldorf Education through Playgroups and Play Circles. The Harmony/Dombroski Foundation is also a supporter of S.H.A.S.E.

There is currently no Steiner Kindergarten, nor Primary School in the region, yet a demand from the parent community for a holistic school, which looks to educate the entire child – not only the mind, is actively pursuing this interest. In accordance with demand S.H.A.S.E has applied to register an independent Steiner school, (starting with a Kindergarten), at premises in Bowral with the Board of Studies. The Board has granted our initial registration application, and we are now preparing further documentation for final approval.

We have already an encouraging number of students ready for enrolment in 2013 and a wide pool of future children to support our vision. Our intention is to carry Steiner's educational approach of integrating academic, emotional and physical development with an emphasis on imagination in learning for the children and also



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to create a spiritual home for the families who come seeking this kind of education in the Highlands.

Besides the support and assistance of some of the well-established friendly Steiner Schools, the very significant and time consuming process leading to registration requires the involvement of qualified and experienced professionals. To appoint such skilled persons, we need some financial support.

We have undertaken our responsibility with seriousness and initially wish to engage an experienced school consultant to assist us with the task of developing a new school and compliance with the Board of Studies. From the community we have over twenty families who have volunteered their time and skills to contribute to the success of our project through attending Visioning Meetings, Fund Raising, Financial advice, Graphic Design, Public Relations and Administration, to Study Groups and Craft Workshops.

For our impulse to bear fruit we anticipate funds to the amount of \$60,000.00, as the absolute minimum to open and manage the school for the first two years. Therefore your financial contribution would be precious and much appreciated. Any amount is welcome and in lieu of a financial donation, we'd most happily accept any donation in form of items or services. Please contact us by telephone or email to find out what items or services are needed.

Donations over \$100.00 are tax-deductible through 'Your Angel', a local charity, which has kindly offered to process contributions on our behalf. Should you wish to make a donation via E.F.T Your Angel's bank details are as follows.

Account Name: Your Angel

BSB: 112-878

Account No.: 473 591 091

**Please specify S.H.A.S.E as the recipient for your donation.**



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Alternately we can accept cheques made payable to 'Your Angel'. **Please specify S.H.A.S.E as the recipient for your donation.**

Please let us know of your decision to make a contribution, as we would like to formally recognise and acknowledge those benefactors whose gifts will allow our school to flourish.

We are most honoured and obliged for any support you offer.

Thank you for considering our letter and giving us some of your precious time. If you have any queries, please contact us via the given email, phone or postal address:

C/O - Harmony Foundation, 4 Balaclava Street, Mittagong NSW 2575.

You can also visit our website for further information about our new school and community activities.

Thank you in advance for your kind gesture towards our Association and initiative.

Yours sincerely for and behalf of S.H.A.S.E,

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Joanna Panagiotopoulos  
Shirley Bell  
Jane Button  
Tamara Da Silva