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2024 Financial Contributions

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Karingal Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of their voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to:

- organise the best possible classroom structure, including smaller class sizes;
- a wide offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences;
- enhanced digital learning opportunities;
- the resurfacing of our basketball court;
- upkeeping of our grounds.

Financial support allows us to purchase art supplies, music items, physical education equipment, and library resources. You financial support also allows Karingal Primary School to provide further digital learning equipment and opportunities, and to purchase items for our Literacy and Numeracy daily focus.

Payment Methods

We offer the following payment methods through the School Office:

- Cash:
- Eft:
- BPay (available through account set up at school office);
- Payment plans (weekly, fortnightly, monthly, termly) are available.

Financial Support for Families

Karingal Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

Kerrie Toohey Ph: 03 9788 4800 Email: KerrieJoy. Toohey @education. vic.gov.au

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Monetary Contributions:

1st child: \$120 2nd child: \$110

3rd and subsequent child/ren: \$100

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred, the Department's Parent Payments Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Yours sincerely,

Samantha Cooke Principal Rachael Franks School Council President



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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students	Amount
use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum.	
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$xx)	\$50
Performing Arts – instruments, books, markers, costume materials	
STEM – equipment and shared materials	
LOTE – books and shared materials	
Physical Education – equipment, ribbons, materials	
Library – books and subscriptions	
Online subscriptions	
Mathletics (\$15)	\$30
Reading Eggs (\$15)	
ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$15
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$5
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$100

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria affiliation	\$5
Student wellbeing programs	\$5
First aid equipment	\$5
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$5
Total Other Contributions	\$20

Educational items for students to own

Please refer to alternate correspondence in regard to Student Booklists for your child to individually own and use.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities - provided on a user-pays basis

Karingal Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum. The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Total		
Category		Totals
Curriculum Contributions		\$100
Other Contributions	(Non-tax deductible)	\$20
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities		TBA
Total		\$120



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PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction and ensure students have free access to all items, activities and services that are used by the school to fulfil the requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- Schools may invite parents to make a financial contribution to support the school.

PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories:



Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

• Schools may also invite parents to supply or purchase educational items to use and own (e.g. textbooks, stationery, digital devices).

FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

- Schools put in place financial hardship arrangements to support families who cannot pay for items or activities so that their child doesn't miss out.
- Schools have a nominated parent payment contact person(s) that parents can have a confidential discussion with regarding financial hardship arrangements.



SCHOOL PROCESSES

• Schools must obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and publish all requests and communications for each year level on their school website for transparency.