

October 14, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Le Page Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Le Page Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

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 provide a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences, as well as many completed and planned maintenance, refurbishment and upgrades throughout the school.

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

Yours sincerely,

George Danson

Principal

Belinda Griffiths

**School Council President** 



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment Bulk class materials; Literacy resources (class sets, readers, Little Learners Love Literacy, etc); Mathematics resources; Printing, copying & other learning materials	\$100
Subscriptions & Programs Includes - Leader in Me, Essential Assessments, MultiLit	\$50
ITC Devices Provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$50
Specialist Programs Contribution to consumables, materials & equipment for Music, Sport, Science, Auslan, Visual Art & Culture	\$150
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$350

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School buildings and grounds maintenance and enhancement Includes garden maintenance, groundskeeper, graffiti removal, repairs & maintenance of student recreational equipment & facilities	\$50
Library maintenance and enhancement through the continual purchase of quality new books	\$20
Communications (Compass, Naavi)	\$20
Lunchtime Clubs (Cooking, Science, Yoga, Footy Tipping, etc)	\$20
First Aid & Student Wellbeing including dedicated staff and provisions	\$40
Total Other Contributions	\$150

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
School Camp 2025	ТВС
Interschool sports program charged as user pays, cost determined per event	ТВС
Excursions/Incursions costed per event in 2025	ТВС

# **TOTALS**

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$350
Other Contributions	\$
Total	\$



#### Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from our preferred supplier **KaKa Kids** for your child to individually own and use.

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

Le Page 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.

#### 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.

#### **Financial Support for Families**

Le Page 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
- Instalment options in Compass for Curriculum Contributions

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

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# **Payment methods**

**Compass or EFTPOS** 



# 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 & 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.