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Dear Parent/Guardian

Pentland Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Pentland Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

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's 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 enhance our curriculum experiences and school grounds with the following.

- The installation of our multi year level inclusive playground.
- Shade sails over the playground with assistance from a generous Bendigo Bank grant.
- Additional IPads and Netbooks into the classrooms.
- Additional readers and classroom books.
- Replenishment of sports equipment.
- The purchase of jumbo yard games to encourage student engagement.
- The ongoing maintenance and beautification of our large grounds.

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

Kind Regards

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Student Name:	Year Level:	
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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Foundation to Year 6 classroom consumables, materials & equipment	
 Art – paint, crayons, clay, glitter, coloured paper (\$5.00) STEAM – (\$5.00) Mathematics – numeracy blocks (\$5.00) English – book boxes (\$5.00) Sport – equipment (\$5.00) 	\$25.00
Foundation to Year 6 Online Subscriptions	
 Literacy Planet Reading Eggs Sound Waves Wushka 	\$45.00
Foundation to Year 6 ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$10.00
Foundation to Year 6 textbooks that the students work from/take home Spelling Mastery Grammar & Punctuation Maths Plus Pre-Spelling Program Foundation to Year 6 workbooks and other items that the students will use Home reading journal/diary Scrapbooks Exercise, graph and writing books Display books Document wallets	Provided by School at no cost to families
Foundation to Year 6 Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$5.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
First aid equipment	\$5.00
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$10.00
Student wellbeing programs	\$2.00
Total Amount	\$



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Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use. Maxim have provided information for online ordering of these items.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Pentland Primary School offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Optional camps and excursions as scheduled throughout 2022. The cost of these excursions will be advised throughout the year	To be advised	
Library Bag	\$15.00	
Pencil Case	\$10.00	
Reader/Diary Cover	\$10.00	
Package of all 3 above items	\$30.00	
School Bag	\$50.00	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$

Financial Support for Families

Pentland 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 Prep Uniform package
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
- And welfare and support agencies

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

Andrew Harrison (Principal) or Fiona Antonello (Business Manager)

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TOTAL

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

Payment methods

- EFTPos is available in our General Office
- Cash
- BPay biller information is printed on all family statements. Once you have this information you may make payments using BPay at any time for any amount

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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.



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 standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- 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.