• Under the Department of Education and Training's Parent Payments Policy, Victorian government schools are required to provide transparent information to their school community on voluntary parent contributions. Please find below our parent payment arrangements for 2024.



**Principal** Mrs Mandy Whitworth

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16th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

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

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum 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 your support has allowed us to maintain our focus on providing high quality resources and materials to improve student learning. Your contributions ensure our students have access to enhanced digital learning through our STEM program, upgraded facilities and a broad co curricular program.

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

Yours sincerely,

Mandy Whitworth

Principal

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<b>Foundation Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount	
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment      Workbooks     Classroom Stationery     Student Diary     Book box and mini whiteboard	\$	90.00
Online Learning and Assessments  Reading Eggs Essential Assessments Cybersafe and Talking the Talk	\$ 60.00	
Subject specific consumables      Art     IT and STEM     LOTE     SAKG     Music	\$	70.00
Printing, laminating and paper consumables	\$	10.00
Curriculum activities	\$	10.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities		mount
Class sets and resources in IT, STEM, Library and PE Equipment	\$	70.00
Update basketball towers to include adjustable heights with basketball and netball rings	\$	

## Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 240.00
Other Contributions	\$

### **Financial Support for Families**

Boneo Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and support groups.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative arrangements please email Stella White at stella.white@education.vic.gov.au or Amanda Swayn at amanda.swayn@education.vic.gov.au or phone 5988 6253.

### **Payment methods**

To ensure it is convenient for our community, payment options are via Compass, EFTPOS/cash at the office or by direct transfer.

Boneo Primary School Official Account BSB: 033 222 Account No: 019445

**REF: Student Name** 

Year 1 to Year 6 Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount	
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment      Workbooks     Classroom Stationery     Student Diary	\$	70.00
Online Learning and Assessments  Reading Eggs Essential Assessments Cybersafe and Talking the Talk	\$	60.00
Subject specific consumables      Art     IT and STEM     LOTE     SAKG     Music	\$	70.00
Printing, laminating and paper consumables	\$	10.00
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Class sets and resources in IT, STEM, Library and PE Equipment	\$	70.00
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## Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 220.00
Other Contributions	\$

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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.