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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Doreen Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Doreen 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 build the Basketball Court and Cover, install the synthetic surface on the oval and build our brilliant sandpit to name a few. It also goes towards: e.g. a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; and supplements the cost to parents of some programs.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached. Our fees are always approved by school council.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'David Jovanovski'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

David Jovanovski
Principal

Curriculum Contributions for all year levels - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>[Use the listed items as examples only and either delete or replace with items relevant to your individual school context and identified needs]</i> <i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment, Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$130
<i>ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets</i>	\$60
<i>Musical instrument supply/replacement,</i>	\$20
<i>Art Supplies</i>	\$25
<i>Sports Equipment upgrades etc</i>	\$30
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$265.00

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>School camp – grades 3-6</i>	Approx. \$300
<i>Interschool sports program</i>	TBA
<i>Excursion to be scheduled</i>	TBA
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$300 +

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund which can be accessed through the Principal
- Hardship arrangements as arranged with the Principal

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

The Principal at School

Payment Methods

Parents may wish to pay Curriculum Contributions per term, as regular part-payments or intermittent payments.

Camps, Sports Event and Excursion costs should be paid with the return of permission notes for these activities, or immediately afterwards. Of course if financial hardship is an issue, the Principal should be contacted to discuss the options available.

This policy was ratified by school council on March 18th, 2025

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) 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.