

24/10/23

Dear parents/guardians,

Wandin Yallock Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our 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 financial support of our families ensures that our school can offer the highest quality education and support for our students. We want to thank our school community for their ongoing support, whether that's through parent payments, fundraising or volunteering your time. This makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

At Wandin Yallock PS, parent financial contributions and in-kind support enable us to continue to offer quality programs that cater for the needs and interests of our students and provide up to date resources such as our high student to device ratio of Chromebooks and iPads and our fabulous art program. Additionally, financial support allows us to offer other features at our school such as the fantastic Farm program and the resurfaced school oval. These programs running alongside the core classroom teaching and learning programs are imperative so as to provide a broad and rigorous overall education for your children.

Department of Education guidelines now mandate that schools will no longer provide parents with a statement of fees for financial contributions. With this in mind, parents are asked to review the voluntary financial contributions schedule outlined below and are encouraged to pay the recommended parent contributions for your child/ren.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview included in this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount per student
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment • Classroom - pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing, graph and scrap books, highlighters, sharpeners, erasers, pencil cases, post-it notes, folders, display books, scissors, rulers, reader bags, cover paper, colour and white paper, sticky/masking tape, kinder squares/circles, laminating pouches, white board and markers, diaries \$55 • English – book boxes, class sets, novels, readers \$55 • Mathematics – numeracy blocks, calculators, textbooks, maths kits \$55 • Science – books, shared classroom materials \$55 • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, wood, beading \$25 • Phys Ed – equipment, materials \$5 • STEM – Exercise books, craft paper, resources \$5 • Library – books, subscriptions \$20 "The Farm" Sustainability program – Materials and activities to support and enhance our Farm program i.e., Seeds/seedlings/supplies \$10	\$140
<u>Online learning subscriptions:</u> Contribution towards the cost of online learning, including Essential Assessment, Reading Eggs/Reading Express, Mathseeds/Mathletics, Mappen, Xuno	\$75
ICT Devices and ConsumablesContributions towards the costs of• iPads and Chromebooks from the shared classroom sets\$40• Headphones\$10	\$50
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and Learning materials	\$20
Curriculum Contributions Total Amount per student	
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount per student
 <u>School Sports memberships</u> School Sports Victoria membership and Upper Yarra and Wandin District Sports Membership 	\$5
First aid and hygiene supplies • First Aid equipment and supplies, tissues, sanitizer etc	\$5
Other Contributions Total Amount per student	\$10
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount per family
Student wellbeing programs	\$15
Materials and activities to support the wellbeing program	
 School grounds maintenance and improvements Contribution towards lawn mowing, other gardening, maintenance and improvements of the school grounds. 	\$25
Other Contributions Total Amount per family	\$40

Educational items for students to own

If you wish to purchase the stationary supplies for your child yourself, please contact the office for a complete list of brands and quantities of the above stationary required. We recommend you purchase from *Officeworks* for your child to individually own and use.

Classroom consumables price listed above are only achieved through the school's ability to bulk purchase and the ability for schools to claim the GST component so it may cost parents a lot more to purchase these items themselves.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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

The School offers two payments options for Extra Curricular Items and Activities Items such as visiting performances/specialists, sports, and educational trips out of the school. For all such Extra Curricular Activities/Items, an event will be created on XUNO well in advance with the purpose, permission request and cost detailed. <u>Parents choosing</u> to allow their child to purchase/participate in each activity will be able to nominate which payment option they will use via XUNO.

Option 1: Parents pay per event as they occur if they want their child to purchase/participate.

Option 2: Parents pay a voluntary upfront amount of their choice (suggested amount is \$80 per student based on previous years' activities) which will be held as family credit by the school to cover the payment of future Extra Curricular Items/Activities. School Council encourages families to consider using Option 2 as many families prefer the convenience of this option. If the amount of family credit remaining does not cover an item/activity, the school will inform the family and request payment of the balance before a student is permitted to attend. If a family leaves the school and has this credit still on their account, it will be refunded back to the parent.

Optional Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	
Swimming	\$TBA	
Swimming program	•	
<u>Camps</u>		
Year 5/6 school camp	\$ТВА	
Year 3/4 school camp	<i>\(\begin{bmm} 1 = 1 \)</i>	
Year 2 Dinner and Sleepover/Year 1 Dinner		
<u>Sports programs</u> Examples below but more may be organised throughout the year.		
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport	\$ТВА	
Year 3-6 Cross Country and Athletics days	ψ. υ.	
Year F-2 Junior Sports day		
Other incursions and excursions as scheduled.		
Examples below but more may be organised throughout the year. i.e	ŚТВА	
Orienteering Days	ψ. υ.	
Art Excursions		
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
- Individual Payment Plans for Extra Curricular Activities and Items e.g. Camps
- Student wellbeing program and Chaplaincy support funding

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Veronica Gamble - Ph: 03 5964 4276 or Email: <u>wandin.yallock.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u>

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.

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State Government Education and Training

• 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
contributions for curriculum	Voluntary financial	Items and activities that
items and activities which the school deems necessary	contributions for non- curriculum items and	enhance or broaden the schooling experience of
for students to learn the	activities that relate to the	students and are above and
Curriculum.	school's functions and	beyond what the school
	objectives.	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.



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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.



WANDIN YALLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT PAYMENTS 2024

Please return this form to the office.

Family	Name:
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_____ Date: _____ Phone:

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Child/ren's Name and year level in 2024: _____ Year _____

_____ Year _____

Year _____

	Section	Amount	Enter amount paid	Office use
	Curriculum Contributions - for items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	per student		
	Classroom Consumables	\$140		
	Online Subscriptions	\$75		
1	ICT Devices & Consumables	\$50		
	Printing and Photocopying	\$20		
	TOTAL	\$ 285		
		x Number of students:	\$	
	<u>Other Contributions</u> - for non-curriculum items and activities <u>These are suggested amounts for other contributions</u>	per student		
	School Sports Victoria membership	\$5		
2	First aid and hygiene supplies	\$5		
	TOTAL	\$10		
		x Number of	\$	
		students:		
	Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities			
	These are suggested amounts for other contributions	per family		
3	Student wellbeing programs	\$15.00	\$	
	School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$25.00	\$	
	TOTAL	\$40		
4	Extra-Curricular Activities - for items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and	per student		
	are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. (Suggested amount \$80 per student *)	\$*	\$	
	* This is a suggested up-front payment to remain in credit at the school to use throughout the year for extracurricular activities. When credit is depleted parents will need to pay for additional items & activities.	TOTAL TO BE PAID	\$	

For payment methods, please see over page



WANDIN YALLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT PAYMENTS 2024

Please select Payment Method and return this form to the office

	Payment by cash or EFTPOS at office	
	Direct Deposit: Account Name – WANDIN YALLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL	
	BSB: 633 000 Account: 117 554 592	
	Please use the Parent Family Name when entering your details.	
	Payment by Credit Card – (MasterCard, Visa)	
	Credit card details need to be completed below and returned to the office	
Credit	Card No:	
	Expiry Date:/ C.V.V	
Amoui	nt: \$ Name as appears on Credit Card:	
Cardholders Signature:		

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.