



## PRIMARY LEARNING AREA – VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear parent/guardian,

Yarraville Special Developmental School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the 2022 voluntary financial contributions.

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.

Yarraville Special Developmental School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and will offer information and support where necessary to access the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund when eligible. For a confidential discussion about accessing this service, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Laura King (Business Manager).

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

Yours sincerely,

*Elaine Quinn*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kim Mace', is written over a solid black horizontal line.

Elaine Quinn  
*Principal*

Kim Mace  
*School Council President*

<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
Junior's classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper etc.</li> <li>• Technology – gardening tool, plants etc.</li> <li>• Food Tech – food ingredients such as flour, butter etc.</li> <li>• Mathematics – numeracy blocks</li> <li>• Sports – equipment</li> <li>• Sensory items</li> </ul>	\$111
Junior's online Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seesaw</li> </ul>	\$29
Junior's ICT Devices – Lease of Classroom iPad per student	\$120
<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	
School Sports Victoria membership	
Junior's whole school events and excursions	
Student wellbeing programs	
First aid and hygiene equipment	
School grounds maintenance and improvements	
<b>Voluntary Contribution Amount</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>

### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Yarraville Special Developmental 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 at no cost to your family. Voluntary contributions support the school in being able to continue offering this to our school community.

### Payment methods

#### Direct Deposit

Westpac  
BSB: 033-100  
ACC: 466511

#### EFT

Payments can be made at the school office by Credit Card

# 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.