

2024 School Contributions and Important Information

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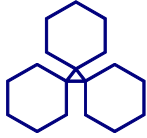
Dear Families,

Please find attached the 2024 Curriculum Contribution containing:

- Curriculum Contribution information
- EPS Camps & Excursion Planner 2024
- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund Application Form
- ICT Acceptable Use Agreement 2024
- Kitchen/Garden Form

Please read the attached information and return the following documents to the school office as soon as possible:

- Curriculum Contribution Acknowledgement Form
- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund Application Form
- ICT Acceptable Use Agreement 2024
- Kitchen/Garden Form



15th November 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

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

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 allows us to offer classes in Music, Visual Art, Physical Education, Science, and our Kitchen Garden Program by specialist teachers in dedicated learning areas. This support also allows us to enjoy special curriculum experiences, an amazing library, enhanced digital learning opportunities and access faster WIFI and internet.

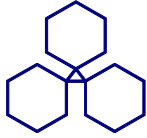
Eastbourne Primary School has a strong commitment to student Health and Wellbeing and offers a variety of programs including Protective Behaviour, Feeling Safe and Body Education.

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

Yours sincerely,

Jamie Sharp
Acting Principal

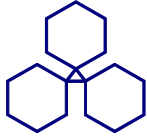
Virginia Selleck
School Council President



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Pre Foundation Classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none">Classroom Stationary items, inc. games (\$100)Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$40)Kitchen Consumables (\$80)Science Consumables (\$10)	\$230
ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$10
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials (\$5 per term)	\$20
Wellbeing Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none">Feeling Safe Together (\$20)	\$20
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$280

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Suggested
First aid equipment	\$5
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$20
School Sports Victoria affiliation	\$10
Compass Education (communication platform)	\$15
Total Other Contributions	\$50

Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support the future School build (Suggested - \$50).	\$



Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Eastbourne Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum. Families will be notified of these activities throughout the year, and you will be able to consent and pay via Compass. A camps and excursions calendar is attached to allow families to plan for upcoming costs.

In a digital age, the school has selected Essential Assessments and Nessy as core programs to improve student learning. These engaging platforms enhance teachers to pinpoint the learning areas of need along with fun, interactive content for children.

Financial Support for Families

Eastbourne 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 (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

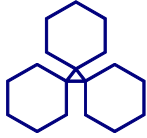
For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

Jamie Sharp – Acting Principal or Susan Elhage – Business Manager

Phone: 03 5986 4884 | Email: Eastbourne.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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



2024 Curriculum Contribution Acknowledgement
Please complete this page and return it to the office with your payment.

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$280
Other Contributions <i>(Non-tax deductible)</i>	\$50
<i>(Tax-deductible)</i>	\$
Total	\$380

Payment methods

Families can pay by Cash, EFTPOS, Credit Card, Direct Deposit or via a payment plan.

Parent Full Name:

Student Name:

Payment Method: (Please Circle)

CASH EFTPOS/CREDIT DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENT PLAN

PAYMENT PLAN OPT IN:

Student Name:

Instalment Amount: **Weekly/Fortnightly/Monthly**
Please circle

Payment plans should be paid in regular instalments via direct deposit beginning on the **1st December 2023**. To enable the school to track your payments and allocate your money correctly, please ensure that you enter an accurate description, e.g. **Student Name, Curriculum Contribution 2024**.

Direct Deposit
Eastbourne Primary School
BSB: 063 540
Account: 1076 7633

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY 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.