

# **Stanhope Primary School**



Learning Success Respect Citizenship

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# **Inspiring Lifelong Learning**

# **REMINDERS & THINGS TO DO**

# **GRADUATION & AWARDS NIGHT**

# **Kyabram Club**

82 Allan St, Kyabram

Wednesday 13th December 7pm

6.15pm for those ordering meals

2024

Student Requisite List and Family Contribution information is attached to this newsletter

# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

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# **Friday 8th December**

 Stanhope Community Christmas Carols

# **Monday 11th December**

**♦** ART

# **Tuesday 12th December**

- **♦ Statewide Transition**
- **♦** Christmas Hamper Raffle Draw

# **Wednesday 13th December**

♦ Graduation & Awards Night

# **Friday 15th December**

♦ Fun Water Play at the school

# **Wednesday 20th December**

- ♦ END OF TERM
- ♦ Early dismissal 12.00pm

# **REMINDER**

Christmas Hamper Raffle tickets and money due back to school by

**FRIDAY 8th DECEMBER** 

# From the Principal

# Our New Acting Principal for Term 1 2024!

I'm delighted to be able to announce that the successful applicant for the Acting Principal role during my leave next term, is Fiona Wallace. Fiona comes with a wealth of experience and huge enthusiasm to be part of the Stanhope Primary School community.

Fiona will be visiting next week, so you and the students may see her here at various times. I know that Fiona will be welcomed and supported by our staff, students and families as she comes to grips with the demands and joys of the role.

# **Community Carols**

Our students will be performing alongside the Stanhope Kinder kids at the Stanhope community Carols, tomorrow night. Our students will need to be outside the kinder at 6:55 pm in preparation for the performance shortly after that. If students have 'Christmassy' outfits or decorations, that would be great! Otherwise, apart from being clean and tidy, there are no other dress expectations.

# **Statewide Transition**

Next Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, is Statewide Transition Day. All students will spend some time experiencing their next level of schooling. We will have our two new preps join us for the morning. As part of our ongoing transition program, they will also be spending some time with us on Wednesday, next week. Our Grade 6 student, Tyler, will be spending the whole week at his new school.

# **Graduation and Awards Night**

Graduation and Awards Night is scheduled for a 7:00 pm start. We ask that if attending families are ordering meals, could they please arrive about 6:00 -6:15 pm to allow time for meals to be ordered, delivered, and eaten before the start of proceedings. This will ensure that our grade 6 graduate is given full attention during his presentation. We have two school Values awards to present to students who have demonstrated success in our school Values over the year. We will also have several sponsorship awards to present from five of our local business and community organisations who have generously donated to our school awards.

### Official End of School Year

Over the course of this week and next, we will be sorting out things students can take home that will not be needed next year. School officially ends for this year on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 1:00 pm



Christine Owen





Mica will still be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

I am happy to discuss confidential payment options for fees or camps & excursions with you.

# <u>Café Lunch</u> Orders

3rd Wednesday of every month

20<sup>th</sup> December

# Water Fun on Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

To celebrate the closing of the year, the kinder and our school are planning a water fun time on site, here at school, between 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm. Students will not be required to wear school uniform on that day but can dress in casual clothes suitable for splashing and getting wet. Bathers can be worn, but with a rashie or t-shirt for sun protection. If families are happy to send water toys, that would be terrific! Families are also welcome to collect their students from 1.30 pm if they wish.



# CONGRATUILATIONS

to Mrs Foley
who recently competed in the
Bev Walker Memorial Taekwondo
Tournament and was
very pleased to accept
2 silver medallions
1 bronze medallion
for her fantastic effort!



Over the next few months, you will notice that our school is getting a much needed facelift with some repainting!

Thank you to Simon, who is undertaking this for us.













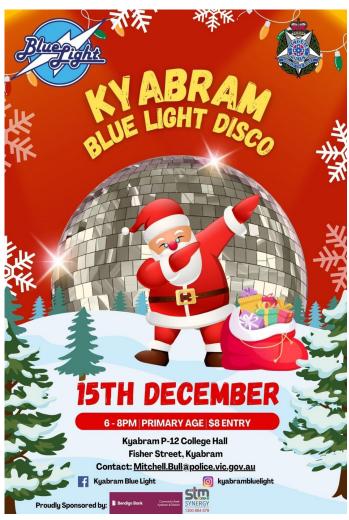




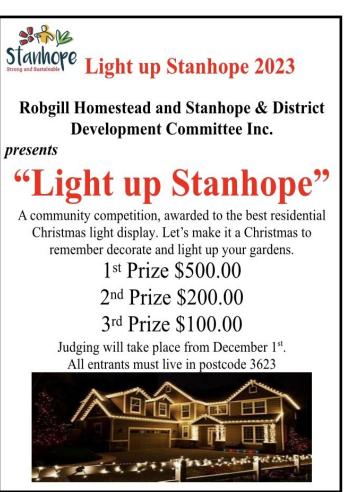












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Wed 3 Jan	1pm Pendants	B 5+			3pm Make a Jigsaw	B 5+				I
Thu 4 Jan	10.30am Basket Weaving	B 5+	1.30pm Make a Jigsaw	B 5+					3.30pm NGV Bracelet Beading	B 8+
Fri 5 Jan	1pm Family Movie	В			•	(			. 🔘	
Mon 8 Jan	10.30am NGV Inspiration Train	B 5+					GV Kids on Tour n initiative of the	is	6	
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	5.30 - 7pm Pizza & Movie				2pm NGV Light Lanterns	B 5+				
Thu 11 Jan	10.30am NGV Bracelet Beading	B 8+								
	2.30pm <b>Movie Afternoon</b>	В				B 5+	1.30pm Name Keyrings	B 5+	3.30pm Name Keyrings	B 5+
Fri 12 Jan	2pm NGV Collage	B 5+								
Mon 15 Jan	10.30am Cloud Dough	B 5+								
	2.30pm Susea Spray	В								
Tue 16 Jan	10.30am <b>Make a Jigsaw</b>	B 5+			10.30am Susea Spray	В				
	2.30pm Rock Painting	B 5+	2.30pm Susea Spray	В			3pm Make a Jigsaw	B 5+	1pm Make a Jigsaw	B 5+
Wed 17 Jan	3.30pm Dream Catchers	B 5+								
	6pm Evening Storytime					B 5+				
Thu 18 Jan	10.30am Friends with Honey	B 3-7		B 5+						
	2pm Friends with Honey	B 8+			2pm Coliban Water Storytime					
Fri 19 Jan	10.30am Coliban Water Storytime									
	2.30pm <b>Movie aftemoon</b>	В								
Mon 22 Jan	10.30am Picnic Storytime									
	2.30pm Movie Afternoon	В								
Tue 23 Jan	10.30am Canvas Tape Art	B 5+					1.30pm Rock Painting	B 5+	3.30pm Rock Painting	B 5+
	2.30pm	B 5+								
Wed 24 Jan	2pm Bunnings Craft	B 5+		B 5+		B 5+				
Thu 25 Jan	2.30pm Big Summer Read Party		2pm Bunnings Craft & Big Summer Read Party							

# Thank you to our generous sponsors



nni; Mercedes; Blake; Castiel; Caleb. **Phil De'Ath** Tyler A; 0418 527 365

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**HELP IS BUT A PHONE CALL AWAY** 

**KID'S HELPLINE** 1800 55 1800

**BEYOND BLUE** 1300 22 4636

# **AWARDS**

**SUCCESSFUL LEARNING: Lily** 

**RESPECT & CITIZENSHIP: Caleb & Daisy** 



https://www.facebook.com/stanhopeps/



**Weekly Downball Trophy** Weekly winner...Cooper!



# Child safety and wellbeing at Stanhope Primary School

# information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has announced new Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Stanhope Primary School has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to view our school's website, via UeducateUs, and at the school's front office].

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact Stanhope Primary School at stanhope.ps@education.vic.gov.au or by phone on 03 5857 2514.

# Victoria's Child Safe Standards

- Child Safe Standard 1 Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.
- Child Safe Standard 2 Ensure that child safety and wellbeing are embedded in school leadership, governance and culture.
- **Child Safe Standard 3** Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.
- Child Safe Standard 4 Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.
- Child Safe Standard 5 Equity is upheld and diverse
   Child Safe Standard 11 Policies and procedures needs are respected in policy and practice.
- Child Safe Standard 6 People working with children and young people are suitable and supported . Ministerial Order 1359 provides the framework for to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

- Child Safe Standard 7 Ensure that processes for complaints and concerns are child focused.
- Child Safe Standard 8 Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.
- · Child Safe Standard 9 Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.
- · Child Safe Standard 10 Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and
- that document how schools are safe for children, young people and students.
- child safety in schools.

# FOUR CRITICAL ACTIONS FOR SCHOOLS

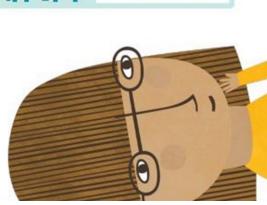
# Responding to Incidents, Disclosures and Suspicions of Child Abuse

# RESPONDING TO AN EMERGENCY

If there is no risk of immediate harm go to Action 2 If a child is at immediate risk of harm you **must** ensure their safety by:

- separating alleged victims
- administering first aid
- or police assistance to respond to immediate health or safety concerns
  - identifying a contact person at the school for future liaison with Police.

Where necessary you may also need to maintain the integrity of the potential crime scene and preserve evidence.



# YOU MUST TAKE ACTION

 You must act, by following the Four Critical Actions, as soon as you witness an incident, receive a disclosure or form a reasonable belief \* that a child has, or is at risk of being abused.

reasonable belief, even if you are unsure You must act if you form a suspicion. and have not directly observed child abuse (e.g. if the victim or another person tells you about the abuse)

you make a decision not to report.

It is strongly recommended that you

As a school staff member, you play a critical role in protecting children in your care.

use the Responding to Suspected

"A reasonable belief is a deliberately low threshold. This enables authorities to investigate and take action.

# 2 REPORTING TO AUTHORITIES / REFERRING TO SERVICES

As soon as immediate health and safety concerns are addressed you **must** report all incidents, suspicions and disclosures of child abuse as soon as possible. Failure to report physical and sexual child abuse may amount to a criminal offence.

— Q: Where does the source of suspected abuse come from?

# WITHIN THE SCHOOL

# VICTORIA POLICE

suspected child abuse involving a school staff member, contractor, volunteer or visitor to Victoria Police. You must report all instances of

# You must also report internally to:

in need of protection from child abuse

likely to have, a serious impact on the child's safety, stability or development

You must also report all instances of suspected sexual abuse (including

VICTORIA POLICE

at risk of being harmed (or has been harmed) and the harm has had, or is

Protection if a child is considered to be:

You must report to DHHS Child

DHHS CHILD PROTECTION

**GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** 

School principal and/or leadership

- Employee Conduct Branch
  - DET Incident Support and
    - Operations Centre.

# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

- School principal and/or leade
- NDEPENDENT SCHOOLS Diocesan education office.

# Young People on 1300 782 978. Commission for Children and School principal and/or school chairperson

All allegations of 'reportable conduct must be reported as soon as possible to:

**GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** Employee Conduct Branch

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Diocesan education office INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS Commission for Children and Young People on 1300 782 978.

# **OTHER CONCERNS** WITHIN THE FAMILY

If you believe that a child is not subject to abuse, but you still hold significant concerns for their wellbeing you must still act. This may include making a referral or seeking advice from:

- Child FRST/The Orange Door (in circumstances where the family are open to receiving support)
  - DHH-S Child Protection Victoria Police.

consideration for their safety

all relevant parties with

I how to communicate with

# Your principal must consult with DHHS Child Protection or Victoria Police to

# PARENTS/CARERS CONTACTING

PROVIDING

ONGOING

# Your school must provide support for children impacted by abuse. This SUPPORT

a Student Support Plan in consultation should include the development of This is an essential part of your duty of care requirements

determine what information can be shared

For suspected student sexual assault, please follow the Four Critical

Actions: Student Sexual Offending.

with parents/carers. They may advise:

not to contact the parents/carer

(e.g. in circumstances where the

a safety plan, direct support and referral Strategies may include development of to wellbeing professionals and support.

parents are alleged to have engaged in the abuse, or the child is a mature

to contact the parents/carers and minor and does not wish for their

provide agreed information (this parent/carer to be contacted)

must be done as soon as possible. preferably on the same day of the incident, disclosure or suspicion)

every time you become aware of a further You must follow the Four Critical Actions reporting new information to authorities. instance or risk of abuse. This includes

# CONTACT

# DHHS CHILD PROTECTION

West Division (Rural) 1800 075 599 West Division (Metro) 1300 664 977 South Division 1300 655 795 North Division 1300 664 977 East Division 1300 360 391

School principal and/or leadership team

You must also report internally to: GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

grooming) to Victoria Police.

DET Incident Support and Operations

School principal and/or leadership team

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Diocesan education office.

After hours, weekends, public AFTER HOURS holidays 13 12 78.

CHILD FIRST

School principal and/or chair person. INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

DET INCIDENT SUPPORT AND OPERATIONS CENTRE 000 or your local police station

VICTORIA POLICE

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT UNIT 1800 126 126

**EMPLOYEE CONDUCT** (03) 9637 2595 1800 126 126 BRANCH

Melbourne (03) 9267 0228 **DIOCESAN OFFICE** Sandhurst (03) 5443 2377 Ballarat (03) 5337 7135 Sale (03) 5622 6600

ps://www.vic.gov.su/familyviolence/

referral-and-support-teams

ORANGE DOOR

# NDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

guidance to help you respond to family The LOOKOUT has a service directory. violence: http://www.lookoutorg.au information, and evidence based THE LOOKOUT

Family violence victims/survivors can be referred to 1800 Respect for counselling, information and a referral service: 1800 737 732

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		A AM	Bacon & Egg Sandwich		\$	6.50
			Chicken parma roll		\$	12.00
			Chicken schnitzel & gravy	roll	\$	7.50
FISH 'N' CHIPS			Chicken schnitzel & salad i		\$	8.00
Minimum chips	\$	4.00	Chicken schnitzel with the		\$	12.00
Battered sav	\$	3.50	Chicken wrap with the LO		\$	12.00
Boneless wing ding	\$	1.50	Chicken wrap with the Li	PLAIN	\$	10.00
Calamari rings	\$	1.50	Fish burger with the	LOT	\$	14.00
Chicken dim sim	\$	2.00	rish burger with the	PLAIN	\$	12.00
Chicken nugget	\$	0.80	Hamburger with the	LOT	\$	12.00
Chiko roll	\$	3.50	Tramburger with the	PLAIN	\$	10.00
Chilli chicken strip	\$	2.00	Souvlaki- beef/lamb/chick		Ф	10.00
Corn jack	\$	3.50	Souviari- Deel/ lamb/ chier	LOT	\$	12.00
Crab sticks	\$	1.50		PLAIN	\$	10.00
Crumbed prawns	\$	1.80	Steak sandwich with the	LOT	\$	12.00
Dim sim	\$	1.50	Steak Sandwich with the	PLAIN	<u> </u>	10.00
Fish bites	\$	1.50	Sauces- tomato, bbo		<u> </u>	
Fish cakes \$ 3.00		sweet chilli, hot c			-,	
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BLUE GRENADIER	\$	8.00	Gravy on chips		\$	1.00
Flat head fillets	\$	2.00	Meat		\$	4.00
Garlic chicken ball	\$	1.80	Bacon or Egg		\$	2.00
Hash brown	\$	1.20	Cheese or Pineapple		\$	1.00
Magdala	\$	3.50	Squeezy sauce - per sachet		\$	0.30
Mini dim sim	\$	0.75	Small salad		\$	5.00
Mini spring roll	\$	2.00	Large salad		\$	6.00
Pineapple fritter	\$	3.00				
Pluto pup	\$	3.50	<b>BAKERY</b>			
Potato cake	\$	1.50	Plain pie		\$	5.00
Scallops	\$	1.80	Flavoured pie		\$	5.50
South Melbourne dim sim	\$	2.00	Sausage Roll		\$	4.50
Spring roll	\$	3.50	Pastie		\$	4.80
Wing ding	\$	2.50	Salad only rolls		\$	6.00
			Meat and salad rolls		\$	7.00
CHIPS, CHEESE & GRAVY			Salad only sandwich		\$	5.50
SMALL	\$	6.00	Meat and salad sandwhich		\$	6.50
MEDIUM	\$	9.00	Salad wraps		\$	7.00
ĻARGE	\$	12.00	Salad Tubs Small		\$	5.00
			Salad Tubs Large		\$	6.00
Tomato sauce sachet	\$	0.30	Fruit Tub Small Term 1 & 4	only	\$	4.00
			Fruit Tub Large Term 1 & 4	only	\$	5.00





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# Parent Payment Arrangements 2024

Dear Parent

Stanhope Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Stanhope 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.

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

Stanhope Primary School makes every effort to keep contributions to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

Please find the contribution schedule for Prep through to Grade 6 attached. The contribution schedule applies for each individual student in a family.

A list of stationery items and student requisites for families to provide or purchase from their preferred supplier, is also attached.

All items will need to be labelled at home with your student's name. Item quantities are suggested adequate for one years' normal classroom use, but please note that some items may need to be replenished throughout the year and damaged or lost items will need to be replaced and costed accordingly. Please also note that excursion & incursion charges will be costed separately at the time of the event.

# Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (Health Care Card holders only. Forms available at school office)
- Flexible payment arrangements

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

Christine Owen or Mica Rosenberg

Ph: 03 5857 2514 Email: stanhope.ps@education.vic.gov.au

# Payment Methods

- Cash
- Cheque
- Bpay (NOT DIRECT DEPOSIT)

### Refunds

Refunds generally only apply to events or activities such as camps and excursions. If a camp or excursion is cancelled or altered by the school, or a student is no longer able to attend part or all of the camp or excursion, our school will consider requests for partial or full refunds of payments made by parents/carers on a case-by-case basis taking into account the individual circumstances. Generally we will not be able to refund payments made for costs that have already been paid where those funds have already been transferred or committed to a third party and no refund is available to the school. Where possible, we will provide information about refunds to parents/carers at the time of payment.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy. Please see a one page overview attached.

Yours sincerely,

Christine Owen Gerard Lucardie

Principal School Council President

# Contribution schedule – Year Prep –Year 6

Please find the itemised list of Curriculum Contributions and Other Contributions for your child. Stanhope Primary School also continues to welcome your Extra-Curricular Items & Activities contributions for 2024.

All payments are requested by end of Term 1, 2024.

# **Curriculum Contributions**

Below is a list of items and activities which enable your child to learn the standard curriculum, which will be sourced by the school. This year we are able to offer reduced fees from those of 2024. Each year is calculated according to requirements for that specific year.

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Classroom materials & equipment	\$20
Stationery consumables; including large scrap books, dotted thirds, maths grid books, chunky pencils, plastic pockets	\$10
Art & Craft consumables; including craft paper, PVA glue, sparkles, goggle eyes, split pins, paint, pastels, charcoal, clay, paper plates, doylies	\$5
Science materials: including cover paper, coloured card, PVA glue, flour, salt, food colourings, sugar, bi-carb soda, baking powder, milk or milk substitute, vinegar	\$15
Photocopying & printing for students	\$40
Provision & Upkeep of school devices, peripherals & ICT	\$20
Digital Online Assessments	\$25
MACC Art	\$35
MARC Library	\$35
Total for Contributions	\$205

# Other Contributions

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities		Amount
First aid equipment		
School grounds maintenance & improvements		
School Sports Victoria membership		
	TOTAL	\$

# Extra-Curricular Items & Activities

Stanhope Primary 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 to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by 10th February 2024.

Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	Amount
Optional camps and excursions and events as scheduled throughout 2024. The cost of these excursions will be advised throughout the year.	To be advised
Graduation Bears	TBA
Grade 6 T Shirt -	TBA
TOTAL	\$

### Educational Items for Students to Own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use.

# Stanhope Primary School 2024 School Requisites List

Please supply the following items which will be needed by your child, according to your child/ren's class level.

Some items are intended to last all year, while others will need to be replenished throughout the year, e.g. pens, pencils, glue sticks etc. A request note will be sent home with your child when this is required.

The quantities listed beside each item <u>should suffice for at least one term</u> in most cases. **Items from previous year are** welcome to be used rather than purchase the same item/s again. E.g. scissors, pencil case, ruler etc

All items should be <u>clearly named</u> and brought to school on the first day of Term 1.

Prep, One Two	
Pencil Eraser	1
Sharpener- 2 hole	1
Pencil case; fabric/vinyl. Max 32cm x 22cm. NO hard cases	1
Ruler	1
Scissors	1
Glue sticks – large	2
Pk 12 coloured textas	1
Pk 12 coloured pencils- triangular if possible	1
Whiteboard markers	1 pk
Highlighters	1 pk
A4 Display folder	1
Headphones - essential	1 pair/set

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the school on **5857 2514** 

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Grade 3-6 items should last all year	
Grey lead pencil - HB	12
Red, ruling up pencil	4
Pencil Eraser	2
Sharpener	1
Pencil case; fabric/vinyl. Max 32cm x 22cm. NO hard cases	1
Ruler – 40cm	1
Scissors	1
Coloured textas (fine tip)	1 pk
Coloured pencils	1 pk
Black fineliner felt tip pen	1
Red pens (grades 5 -6 only)	5
Blue pens (grades 5 -6 only)	10
Black pens (grades 5 -6 only)	10
Whiteboard markers -	1 pk
Highlighters	1 pk
Glue sticks - large	4
Display folder	2
Headphones- essential	1 pair/set
BYO DEVICE: as per school specifications (this can be sent separately when requested)	Grades 3-5 are invited to BYOD.  Not compulsory



# 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 contributions for nonitems and activities which curriculum items and the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

# Contributions

Voluntary financial 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.