2027 Parent Payments and Contributions – Year 2

Dear Parent / Guardians

Greenvale Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the voluntary financial contributions for 2027.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. 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.

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

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS **Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum**	**AMOUNT**
Classroom consumables, materials and equipment • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, wood, beading, clay • Science – ingredients, books, shared classroom materials • Mathematics – numeracy blocks, calculators, textbooks, stationary, maths kits • English – book boxes, class sets, novels, readers • Classroom – pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing, graph and scrap books, highlighters, post it notes, display books, rulers, scissors, whiteboard markers • Sports – equipment, ribbons, materials • Music – Instruments, books, pens, markers • Library – Books, subscriptions	$120.00
Printing and photocopying of learning resources	$40.00
Total Amount	$160.00

You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all our school's important priorities for 2027 as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.

Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS – for non-curriculum items and activities	**SUGGESTED AMOUNTS but any amount is appreciated**
Buildings and Grounds	$50.00
School Sport Victoria Membership	$5.00
Student Wellbeing Programs	$10.00
First Aid Resources	$5.00

Extra-Curricular Items, Excursions and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis
Greenvale 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items ***and activities will be advised throughout the year.***

Financial Support for Families
Greenvale 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:

  Annette Jurisch

  Ph: 03 9333 2500

  Email: greenvale.ps@education.vic.gov.au

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Compass Pay is our preferred payment method.
Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

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.

Yours sincerely,

Angelika Ireland
Principal

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) including the VCE Vocational Major 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.