

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2021

Dear Parent/s

Parkdale Primary School would like to advise you of our Parent Payment Arrangements for 2021. Family Statements will be issued in November/December, these will include the BPAY details.

Included is the Online Resource List and Contribution Schedule for Foundation to Grade 6 2021.

Parkdale Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

Financial Support for Families

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

- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF), to download the form please visit www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/CSEF-Application-Form-2020.pdf
- State Schools Relief provides assistance throughout the year for several items for Foundation Students who are eligible for the CSEF.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact Leanne Bradney (Principal) or Helen Teasdale (Business Manager) on 9580 1451.

Payment Methods

The following payment methods are offered by the school, BPAY, Credit Card, Cash and Cheques - **BPAY** is the preferred option. A 2021 Family Statement will be issued which includes BPAY details unique to your family during your child's schooling at Parkdale PS. Contributions for 2021 are due by **Monday March 1st, 2021**.

Refunds

If a student is exiting the school, a pro-rata refund will be issued. Please email the school at parkdale.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

The Department of Education & Training Parent Payment Policy is also included.

Yours sincerely,

Leanne Bradney
PRINCIPAL
19/10/2020

Leanne Palazzolo
SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT
19/10/2020

RESOURCE PACK AND ESSENTIAL ITEMS SCHEDULE - FOUNDATION TO GRADE 6 2021

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum.

Essential Student Learning Items		Amount
Resource Pack (Attached) Attached is a Resource Pack form which guides you on everyday items your child will use in the classroom. Stationery is ordered directly through Campion Education – please see form explaining full details. Orders are due by Friday 4th December, 2020. A \$10 delivery charge will apply if delivered to your home or alternatively Click and Collect in Jan.	online ordering @ www.campion.com.au	
Essential Student Learning Items Art Glitter, paint, paper, cardboard, glue, canvas, sticky tape, clay, textas, crayons.		\$ 20.00
English Paper, laminating pouches, display books, headphones.		\$ 20.00
STEM Paper, cardboard, glue, tape, seed pots, twine, compost, soil, stockings, disposable cups, cooking ingredients, straws, twine, pipe cleaners, pompoms, kinder squares/circles etc.		\$ 30.00
Classroom Consumables Resilience Journals, Resilience Diaries, Sound Packs, Mini Whiteboards, Construction Materials.		\$ 40.00
Online Subscriptions (Foundation – Grade 6) CARS & STARTS \$10.11, Essential (TBC), Mangahigh \$9.14, Mathletics \$12.76, Nessy \$7.78, PME \$5.96, Seesaw \$7.78, Sunshine \$2.50, Nessy \$4.13.		\$ 30.00
TOTAL per student	Due 01/03/2021	\$ 140.00

Optional Items User-Pay Activities	Amount
Activities that are offered in addition to the standard curriculum program. These include Excursions/Incursions and Swimming. These activities would normally be included in the Annual Contribution Schedule, however due to the current climate the cost of these items will be advised throughout 2021. Other Optional Items which are charged separately throughout the year include 3/4 Camps, 5/6 Camps, Inter School Sport, Graduation, Extra Curricula Activities etc.	TBA

Voluntary Contribution (per Family)	Tax Deductible - NO	Amount
The Parkdale Primary School Council is extremely appreciative of the generosity of parents who are able to support the school through the payment of the Voluntary Building & Grounds Levy. Voluntary Levies are specifically targeted towards employing a Part-Time Maintenance/Groundsman, ongoing maintenance upkeep of the school grounds, refurbishing existing classrooms, maintenance of school fences and painting. The provision of laptops, iPads and other Digital Technology devices to support the learning environment. You may also choose to pay a lesser amount or elect not to contribute. Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of Voluntary Contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not		
TOTAL	Building Maintenance \$40 Grounds \$40 Digital \$60	\$ 140.00

Parent Payment Charges	(1 Child)	(2 Children)	(3 Children)
Essential Student Learning Items	\$140	\$280	\$420
Optional Items	TBA	TBA	TBA
Voluntary Financial (Per Family)	<u>\$140</u>	<u>\$140</u>	<u>\$140</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$280</u>	<u>\$420</u>	<u>\$560</u>

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW

The following is a summary of the main principles of the Parent Payments Policy:



FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements as outlined in the Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.



PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

- Schools do not ask parents to pay for school operating costs (e.g. utility costs) or general and unspecified charges.
- Schools request payments from parents under three categories:

Essential Student Learning Items

- Items and activities which the school deems essential for student learning.
- Parents may choose to purchase essential items through the school or provide their own.

Optional Items

- Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are offered in addition to the standard curriculum.
- These are provided to students on a user-pays basis.

Voluntary Contributions

- Voluntary contributions support the school to continue to be the best local school for all students and can be for general or specific purpose.
- Students will not be disadvantaged in any way if parents do not make a contribution.



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 obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and upload their arrangements on their school's public website for transparency.