

2024 PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Parent/Guardians,

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

Geelong East Primary School is able to provide the excellent programs and resources it has, through a combination of Government School Funding, parent contributions and limited fundraising. I see your support as I endeavour with staff and School Council to provide an on-going enhancement of equipment and resources to benefit all student learning. I ask you to read the attached notices carefully.

- Curriculum contributions: parents/carers contribute to the school for the provision of items and activities that students use or participate in, to access the curriculum.
- Other contributions which parents/carers are invited to donate to the school for specific projects. We are inviting voluntary contributions to support the upkeep and maintenance of our school grounds. Thank you for your support!
- Extra-Curricular Items and Activities are provided on a user-pays basis eg... school camps, end of year celebration days, division athletics.

Payment Methods

- Compass Pay via Course Confirmations
- BPAY You can nominate to pay all or instalments of the Curriculum, Extra Curriculum and Other Contributions
- School Office You are able to come to the office and pay via EFT
- School Office

Payment can begin from now and we would appreciate any payment arrangements to finalised by Friday 2nd February 2024. All booklist supplies will be available for students in their classroom on the first day of Term 1 Tuesday 30th January 2024.

The school office will be open on Wednesday 24th January and Thursday 25th January 2023 from 10 a.m. - 3.00 p.m for over the phone payments or cash payments. Payments can also be made anytime by Direct Debit, BPAY or Compass.

Financial Support for Families

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

- Regular Compasspay payments
- Regular CentrePay payments
- Regular Bpay payments
- Flexibility Payment arrangements
- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). Parents/Carers who hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent can apply.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact the Business Manager on 5248 4885.

Best wishes and thank you for your continued support of our school.

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

YEARS PREP – 6 STATIONERY AND SUPPLIES 2024

Curriculum Contributions – items and activities that students use or participate in to access the Curriculum.	Amount
access the Carriculant.	
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment	
 Stationary pack – pencils, colouring materials, writing books, scissors, whiteboards, markers, erasers, glue sticks. (\$60) 	\$110.00
 General classroom consumable items purchased in bulk eg. Glitter, PVA, various paper items 	
for writing/drawing/crafting, string, Google eyes, laminating awards, bookmarks, photos etc (\$20)	
 Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$10) 	
 STEM – Materials and equipment (\$5) 	
Sports – equipment (\$5)	
Online Learning Subscriptions	
 See-saw Online learning program (\$10) 	\$25.00
Sunshine Online (\$5)	723.00
 Reading Eggs (\$20) Prep – Gr2 only 	
 Epic - as appropriate per grade level (\$5) 	
ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$10.00
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$15.00
Student Learning Journal	\$10.00
Year 1 to 6 Total to be paid on or before 30 th January 20243	\$170.00
Satchel - for Prep only.	\$10.00

Other Contributions – for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Improvements (please consider an amount listed or nominate your own).	\$20.00
	\$40.00
	\$50.00
	\$100.00
TOTAL AMOUNT	

Payment Methods

Payment Options	Explanation	How to set this up
Compass Pay Course	Make payments and give consent easily. Compass Pay	This is available on your compass APP, please see the office if you need assistance using Compass.
Confirmations	sends push notifications to parents and enables them to pay for excursions and confirm medical requirements – all through the Compass Parent app.	Receipt of payment are available via the APP. Consent and pay quickly and easily via your phone's Compass app or login to your Compass browser
Centrepay centrelink	Centrelink will take payments out of your fortnightly benefit and give it to the school. This can be done as a once off or regularly.	You can apply for Centrepay deductions: on line at: http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/ce ntrelink/centrepay
BPay	Payment made directly to the school by using your Bpay Biller Code and Reference No. This can be done as a once off or regularly.	Phone the office and we will email your statement home (this contains your Bpay codes).
Direct Deposit	Regular bank transfer to the school account.	Commonwealth Bank BSB: 063 512 Account: 10137894 Reference: Child's full name.
EFTPOS or credit card	EFTPOS machine at the office. Payments can be made over the phone	Pay over the phone using your credit card by calling the office on 5248 4885 during office hours

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

Extra-Curricular items and Activities

Geelong East 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 in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

These are a guide and estimate only and do not need to be paid for until the event.

Extra-Curricular Iter	ms and Activities		
Prep	Incursions Excursions	\$15.00 \$40.00	\$55.00 approx.
Year One	Incursion Excursion Twilight Athletics	\$15.00 \$40.00 \$2.00	\$57.00 approx.
Year Two	Incursion Excursion Twilight Athletics/Sleepover	\$15.00 \$40.00 \$10.00	\$65.00 approx.
Year Three	Incursion House Sports Excursions Camp	\$10.00 \$5.00 \$35.00 \$250.00	\$300.00 approx.
Year Four	Incursion House Sports Excursions Camp	\$10.00 \$5.00 \$35.00 \$250.00	\$300.00 approx.
Year Five	Incursion PE Events (cross country, district athletics, lightening premiership) House Sports Camp Excursions (T4 Adventure Park) Year Six Apparel (Windcheater \$49 & Polo \$36.50 for 2024 Year)	\$10.00 \$15.00 \$5.00 \$300.00 \$55.00 \$85.50	\$470.50 approx.
Year Six	Incursion PE Events (cross country, district athletics, lightening premiership) House Sports Camp Excursions (T4 Adventure Park) Year Six Graduation	\$10.00 \$15.00 \$5.00 \$300.00 \$55.00 \$10.00	\$395.00 approx.

PAYMENT SLIP

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

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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

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

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for nonactivities that relate to the students and are above school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of 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.