



Mooroolbark East

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION – 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise of Mooroolbark East Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

Mooroolbark East Primary School provides students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and offers programs which nurture the interests, health and wellbeing of all children at our school. The ongoing support of families ensures we can continue to offer the best possible educational opportunities, in line with our commitment to ensuring individual student needs are met on an academic, social and emotional level.

We would like to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. All of these contributions to Mooroolbark East Primary School have enabled us to:

- Employ a nurse to oversee and manage first aid/sick bay.
- Ensure class sizes remain low, with an average class size of just 21.4 students per grade in 2023.
- Ensure playgrounds and school facilities are upgraded and maintained to support the needs of our 600+ student population.
- Provide enhanced digital learning opportunities via platforms such as Seesaw and Essential Assessment, as well as structured technology sessions with an expert practitioner.
- Offer a wide and holistic specialist learning program, including Art, Physical Education, Mandarin (LOTE), Music (Performing Arts) and Digital Technologies.
- Ensure a safe and secure learning environment, including, but not limited to, regular OHS and Child Safety audits, as well as more than 25 Close Circuit TV cameras around the school.
- Expand our community wellbeing team which includes our own School Psychologist.
- Expand, upgrade and maintain wellbeing spaces including our "Treehouse", withdrawal areas and open learning spaces.
- Continue to provide Mooroolbark East Primary School students with a vast array of experiences including camps, excursions, incursions and tours.

With your ongoing support, our school is committed to ensuring the continuity of the items listed above, whilst also remaining committed to providing more opportunities for your children in 2024 and beyond.

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

Best Regards,

Deborah Keating | Principal

Melissa Martin | School Council Treasurer



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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p>Student Stationery Items for students to own</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise books, scrap books, glue sticks, pens, pencils etc <p>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stationery –pencils, pens, textas, scrap books, exercise books etc • Literacy –levelled readers, classroom library, chapter books • Numeracy –counters, weights, scales, dominoes, dice, 3D shapes etc • Inquiry –craft paper, straws, ice pole sticks etc • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper etc • Mandarin –white and coloured paper, glue, pencils etc • Music – song books, strings, plectrums, instruments • Digital Technologies – paper, pencils, glue, batteries • Physical Education – Equipment, School Sports Victoria <p>Online Subscriptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essential Assessments • SeeSaw <p>ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets</p> <p>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</p>	<p>\$ 210.00</p>
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	
<p>Student wellbeing programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Based Wellbeing support <p>School Nurse</p> <p>First aid supplies</p> <p>Facilities / School Grounds maintenance and improvements</p>	<p>\$ 60.00</p>
Total Curriculum and Other Contributions	\$ 270.00
Tax Deductible Contributions	
<p>Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.</p>	<p>\$ 60.00</p>



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Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Mooroolbark 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.

Financial Support for Families

Mooroolbark East Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). A CSEF Application Form is attached which includes details of eligibility. If you are eligible to receive this assistance, please complete the form and return to the school office with a copy of your Health Care Card.

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

Deborah Keating: deborah.keating@education.vic.gov.au

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Other optional camps and excursions/incursions to be scheduled
School Photos

Total

Category		Total
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 210.00	
Other Contributions	\$ <u>60.00</u>	
Total Curriculum and Other Contributions		\$ 270.00
Tax Deductible Contributions – Building Fund		\$ 60.00

Stationery supplies

Book Packs will be sent to the students' classrooms ready for the beginning of the school year.



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CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

Payment methods

Payment can be made via Xuno, at the office or by completing your credit card details below. Please contact the office if you have credit you would like to use. (Please note that CSEF cannot be used to pay for Curriculum Contributions)

Family Name:

Total Curriculum and Other Contributions per child \$270	Amount
Childs Name:	
Childs Name:	
Childs Name:	
Childs Name:	
Tax Deductible Contributions – Building Fund (suggested amount \$60)	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE	
AMOUNT PAID	
BALANCE REMAINING	

Name of Cardholder	
Mastercard/Visa	_ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ Exp Date _ _ / _ _ CVV _ _ _
Amount	\$
Authorised Signature	

If you wish to pay the balance by instalments, we can debit equal amounts from the above credit card on the following dates:

Monday 4th March 2024, Monday 6th May 2024 and Monday 24th June 2024.

Amount \$

Signed :

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 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.