



2023 Year Four -Parent Payment Policy

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Dear parent/guardian,

Darley Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Darley Primary Schools' voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

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. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to:

- Upgrade iPads for F-2 classrooms
- Provide our school Nurture Program
- Provide high quality programs and specific subject materials and equipment for: English, Mathematics, STEM, Art, Music, Inquiry, Language and H.A P.E.
- Maintain and develop the school grounds.
- Maintain sufficient class sets of books for students to develop their reading skills
- Deliver a range of sporting equipment.
- Offer effective First Aid for all students.
- Breakfast Club
- Provide extra Year level programs such as, Investigations, World Travel, Survivor Darley, Electives etc
- Provide breaktime programs such as Lego Masters, Messy Squad, Tinkering

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

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Kerton

Principal

Deanna Preston

School Council President



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p><i>Year Four classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$20.00) • Mathematics – cover paper, cardboard, tape, blue tac (\$20.00) • English – cover paper, cardboard, tape, blue tac (\$20.00) • Survivor Darley- (problem solving-team building challenges)-consumables— cardboard, food, icy pole sticks, material for team buffs etc. (\$30.00) • Integrated Studies-Rules & Laws, Colonisation, Recycling, Oh! The Places You'll Go, -consumables- eg- plastic cups, seeds, cotton balls, cover paper, A3 display sheets, coloured paper etc (\$40.00) 	\$130.00
<p><i>Year Four Online Subscriptions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathletics \$10.00 • Reading Eggs \$10.00 	\$20.00
<i>Year Four Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$10.00
Sub Total	\$160.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Tax deductible contributions <i>[delete this section if your school does not have a tax-deductible fund]</i>	
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. (Suggested Amount)	\$ 20.00
Your family contribution	\$
Total Amount	\$

Educational items for students to own

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

Darley Primary School invites parents to purchase educational items to use and own through Winc Schools online portal via the link below. <https://www.wincschools.com.au/VIC/Darley/Darley-Primary-School>

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Darley 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.



If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below (ie: Excursions/Incursions) payments will be scheduled prior to the activity during 2023.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
<i>Other optional Year Four camp/excursions to be scheduled in 2023</i>	<i>TBA</i>	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$0.00

Financial Support for Families

Darley 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 support available for uniforms/footwear etc.
- Local community supports (Wellbeing Officer can provide further information)

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

Lisa Thacker

Ph: 03 5367 1558 | Email: lisa.thacker@education.vic.gov.au

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$160.00
Other Contributions (Suggested Amount)	\$ 20.00
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (TBA)	\$ 0.00

Payment methods

Compass- Full Payment-We cannot offer a Payment Plan.

Centre Pay, Eftpos

BPay- Details will be provided to all families before the end of the year.

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.

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.