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Dear Parent /Carer,

Re: 2023 Parent Payment Arrangements

At Kingsville Primary School the 'child' is at the centre of all that we plan for and undertake. As educators and members of this learning community we are committed to providing the very best educational opportunities for all our students. We look forward now to 2023 and expect it to be a successful year of teaching, learning and growth.

On behalf of the School Council, I would like to advise you of the ***Parent Payment Request - Voluntary Financial Contributions for 2023 (Essential Education items)***

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.

The environment and many of the resources that students are able to enjoy and benefit from today, represent the contributions made by our parent / carer community over the many years. We are very grateful for this support and wish to acknowledge the significant difference it has made to overall provision possible for our students.

Your ongoing financial support in 2023 will continue to assist with the provision of a range of facilities and resources for your child /ren. In 2022 your support contributed to the provision of –

- enhancement of classroom libraries at all grade levels
- upgrading resources in our Library Centre
- additional Literacy & Numeracy materials for students
- purchasing of classroom furniture and storage facilities
- the upkeep and expansion of our computer devices to enhance student learning opportunities
- purchasing and upgrading a range of sporting equipment
- Literacy & Numeracy online digital subscriptions
- continued development of school garden areas
- lunchtime clubs and activities

Any camps and excursions will be invoiced separately during the year, depending on each classroom activity.

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

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen Ginnane – Principal

Glen Yates - School Council President

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Stationery Kit – includes eg: student’s individual pens, pencils, texas rulers, erasers, journals, portfolios, workbooks etc 	\$90
Classroom Consumables (shared) – includes all scrap books, lined paper, additional classroom stationery and resources items used within the classroom	\$70
Specialist Class Consumables - e.g., Visual Art, Performing Arts / Music, LOTE (Language other than English), Physical Education, Library, Technology, etc - replenishment and maintenance of shared materials resources and, equipment	\$50
Inquiry Learning – student participation in inquiry learning will see utilization of materials to support taking action across curriculum, ‘Share & Connect’ & Exhibition development	\$30
Online Learning Program Subscriptions – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Brain pop’ – animated education supporting specific curriculum areas • Sunshine Online – digital literacy & numeracy • Story Box – hands on literacy experiences • Digital Student Assessment Tools e.g., Essential Assessment • Britannica – updated digital knowledge bank 	\$40
ICT device and equipment provision and maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shared classroom and school sets 	\$15
Printing & Photocopying – learning materials	\$15
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Primary Years Program Membership – KPS is authorised to deliver the Primary Years Program of the IB and provision is approved by school council (contributions support membership and authorization via compliance with set standards and practices)	\$10
School Sports Victoria membership	\$ 5
Student Wellbeing – Respectful Relationships, School Wide Positive Behaviours and Life Skills	\$15
First aid / hygiene equipment	\$5
School grounds maintenance and improvements Kitchen & Garden Program	\$15
Total Amount for 2023	\$ 360

Financial Support for Families

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

Payment Plans

A payment plan providing families with the option of quarterly, bi-annual or other as agreed to with the Business Manager.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Victorian Government has again committed for 2023 to providing eligible students with Camps, Sports & Excursion funds (CSEF). These funds are paid to the school to use towards excursions, incursions and camps for **eligible** students. To be eligible for the funding, a parent or legal guardian must be the holder of a current Healthcare card or Pension card or be a temporary foster parent on the first day of Term 1 or Term 2.

Parents who are eligible for CSEF will be required to complete the application form and submit it by the due date. Applications close at the end of Term 2 2023.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Erica Ryan – Business Manager on Ph: 03 9314 5869 or erica.ryan@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 360.00
TOTAL FOR 2023	\$360.00

Payment methods

1. **Cash, EFTPOS or Credit Card** via the school office
2. **Bpay** – Please contact office for Biller Code and reference number
3. **CompassPay** – Parents can choose to pay full amount or payment plan options are available

(a) PAYMENT ONLINE VIA COMPASS – Preferred Payment Option

1. Payments online via COMPASS can be made at parent convenience at any time, no forms are required. Part payments are also able to be made on COMPASS.

OR

(b) PAYMENT VIA the SCHOOL OFFICE or by PHONE on 03 9314 5869

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.