

YARRAMBAT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Best of Both Worlds

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Dear **2024 Grade 1** Parents/Guardians,

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Yarrambat Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Yarrambat Primary School'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. However, the school still must meet the substantial costs involved in providing these materials.

Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families is important to ensure 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 your continued support through these payments has allowed us to provide opportunities we couldn't otherwise, both in the classrooms and out in the playground. These include the essential learning items in book boxes, engaging literacy and numeracy resources and up-to date digital learning tools. Following careful consideration, School Council has set the 2024 Parent Payment Contributions at the following rates.

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

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Curriculum Contributions are items and activities which the school deems as essential for student learning, without which, students would be unable to access the school's delivery of the standard curriculum. The Yarrambat Primary School Curriculum Contributions for Grade 1 include:

Book Box: <i>item list attached</i>	\$112.00
Junior School Classroom Consumables: <i>materials used to present their learning such as paper, craft materials</i>	\$50.00
Performing Arts Consumables: <i>materials used to present their learning such as paper, craft materials</i>	\$6.00
Visual Arts Consumables: <i>various art and craft materials</i>	\$16.00
Italian Consumables: <i>materials used to present their learning such as paper, craft materials, Italian cooking ingredients</i>	\$10.00
Discovery Consumables: <i>materials used to present their learning such as construction and craft materials</i>	\$10.00
Reading Eggs Subscription	\$14.00
Maths Seeds Digital Subscription	\$15.00
Seesaw Digital Subscription	\$7.00
Resilience Project Journal and Consumables: <i>materials used to present their learning such as paper, craft materials</i>	\$30.00
	\$270.00

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES

Payments for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities including excursions, incursions and other school events and activities are not included in this package but may be requested throughout the year.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

School councils can invite parents to make other contributions to support the school. In 2024 the *Other Contributions* options include:

The Buildings and Grounds Contribution is used to ensure that our school facilities are maintained to the appropriate standards and is used to purchase and maintain items not included in the building funding program such as gardens, air conditioning and play equipment. (tax deductible)	\$30 <u>per family</u>
The Library Fund Contribution will be used to support the school to purchase and maintain our school library reading resources. (tax deductible)	\$30 <u>per family</u>
The First Aid Contribution will be used to support this important service at our school. School based funds are also used to provide this service.	\$30 <u>per family</u>
The Digital Learning Resources Contribution will be used to lease, purchase, and maintain digital resources to be used by students in the classroom including laptops and ipads.	\$30 <u>per family</u>

2024 GRADE 1 BOOK BOX (Education items for students to own)

Below is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use. The book box contains these items and are organised by the school through supplier Kookaburra Educational Resources to be collected directly from school.

4	UHU Magic Blue Stic ReNATURE 40g
4	STAEDTLER Red Correction Checking Pencil
1	Scrapbook 330x245mm FSC Dark Purple 70gsm 64pg
1	Micador Colourfun Eco Markers Asst
1	Celco Wooden Ruler 30cm Rulex Unpolished
1	STAEDTLER School Eraser Plastic Large
1	Faber-Castell Tri Colour Pencils
8	Faber-Castell Junior Triangular Pencils 2B
1	Celco Scissors 165mm Purple Handle
1	Protex Mesh Pouch B4 Asst
1	Display Book A4 Refillable 20 Pocket Clear Front Black
1	Micador Big Sharpener Double Hole Cylinder Plastic
8	Writer Premium Exercise Book A4 24mm Dotted Thirds 64pg GGS
3	Project Olympic Book 335x240mm 1/3 18mm Dotted Thirds 24 pg
1	Micador Eco Highlighters Asst
3	Writer Premium Graph Book A4 10mm Grid Ruled 96 pg
1	Shintaro Kids Stereo Headphone Volume Limited Black
1	Kluwell My Home Reading Yellow Level (Junior)
1	Writing Time VIC Year 1
1	Sound Waves Spelling Book Year 1



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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.

PARENT PAYMENT FORM

(PLEASE RETURN ONLY ONE FORM PER FAMILY)

PAYMENT OPTIONS BY 8th DECEMBER 2023

To assist families with payment of these contributions, there are several payment methods available as follows:

- Payment in full by 8th December 2023 cash.
- EFTpos available at the school office.
- Online, Internet BSB 633000 Acc 140640681 Details: *family name 2024 fees*

Parent Name: _____ Signature: _____

I would like to make an appointment with the Principal to arrange a payment plan for my child/children's contributions. I hereby agree to make regular payments and finalise by 1st July 2024.

Parent Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Please complete and return to school with payment by 8th December 2023.

FAMILY NAME: _____

	CHILD'S NAME & GRADE	CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTION	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS CONTRIBUTION	LIBRARY FUND CONTRIBUTION	FIRST AID CONTRIBUTION	DIGITAL LEARNING CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL	
	1 st Child	\$270	\$30 PER FAMILY	\$30 PER FAMILY	\$30 PER FAMILY	\$30 PER FAMILY		
	2 nd Child	\$270						
	3 rd Child	\$270						
	4 th Child	\$270						
							TOTAL	

Enclosed is **cash payment** of \$ _____

OR

Enclosed is my **cheque** payable to Yarrambat Primary School for \$ _____

OR

I wish to pay by Credit Card over the phone or in person.

OR

I wish to pay Online, Internet BSB 633000 Acc 140640681 Details: Family name 2024 fees.

Financial Supports for Families

Yarrambat Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and payment arrangements. Please contact Kelvin Bennetts at school or via kelvin.bennetts@education.vic.gov.au to confidentially discuss any financial difficulties you may be experiencing.