



November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning at Old Orchard Primary School in 2024. The purpose of this letter is to advise you of the Parent Payment schedule for 2024.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum, with all contributions for the standard curriculum delivery being voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. Our capacity to deliver programs that best meet the needs and expectations of our students and families is highly dependent on this support. Ultimately, the financial and other support of our school community will really make a difference in the educational experience and opportunities for your children.

We remain extremely appreciative and thankful for all of your support, whether that is through fundraising, volunteering your time or other means. This support has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer, including:

- Offering a wide range of subjects and special curriculum experiences for our students across all year levels
- Upgrading and purchasing of additional ICT devices for student across all year levels
- Refurbishment of school grounds, with a particular focus on the asphalt area, new electric gates to increase child safety, the installation of the shade sail in the 5/6 area, refurbishment of several classrooms and the contribution to the new roof in A Wing.

The Old Orchard Primary School Parent Payment schedule for 2024 is detailed below, including an overview of how your contributions will be utilised.

For further information on the Department of Education's Parent Payments Policy, please see the DET Parent Payment Overview on our website: www.oldorchardps.vic.edu.au

Financial Support for Families

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

- State Schools' Relief provides financial support for eligible families to purchase clothing/uniforms at a reduced rate
- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions. This is available to parents who hold a concession card.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact the Business Manager Fiona Kirby on 03 9877 7899 or email fiona.kirby@education.vic.gov.au or old.orchard.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Duncan Cant

Principal

Tim Ness

School Council President



2024 FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

STUDENTS NAME/S and 2024 YEAR LEVEL _____			Annual Amount per STUDENT
<u>CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom consumables, materials & equipment English — reading books, class sets Mathematics — numeracy blocks, calculators, maths kits, stationery Science — ingredients, books, shared classroom materials, robotics ART – art room supplies Physical Education — equipment Mandarin- workbooks and shared classroom materials Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials, library books and subscriptions Online subscriptions of Essential Assessment and Seesaw ICT Devices — provision of devices from the shared classroom sets 			\$220
<u>OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First aid levy – this contributes the employment of a designated first aid officer. Grounds levy - School grounds maintenance and improvements 			\$20 \$100
<u>TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Fund —A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure 			\$100
ITEM	Item Amount	Number of students in your family	TOTAL
Curriculum Contributions	\$220		
Other Contributions	\$120		
Tax Deductible Contribution	\$100		
TOTAL			

Payment methods:

Payment can be made via:

- Direct Deposit (Old Orchard Primary School BSB 063485 Account 10021781).
- EFTPOS, cash and cheque payments can be made directly at the school office.
- Sentral Parent Portal



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PARENT PAYMENT PLAN

Parents have the option of paying the fees in 4 equal payments. These will be deducted at the beginning of each term.

Family Name _____

Students Name/ 2024 Year Level _____

Term 1 Payment: \$ _____

Term 2 Payment: \$ _____

Term 3 Payment: \$ _____

Term 4 Payment: \$ _____

Name on Card _____

Credit Card Number _____/_____/_____/_____

Expiry Date _____ (if this expires before the final payment, we will contact you later in the year)