

Williamstown North Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of WNPS's Voluntary Financial Contributions for 2025.

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.

### **Financial Support for Families**

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

- the Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund
- Flexible payment options

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services contact:

Sarah Nobbs, Assistant Principal (Finance)

Tel: (03) 9397 5722 | Email: [Sarah.Nobbs@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Sarah.Nobbs@education.vic.gov.au)

### **CONTRIBUTION SCHEDULE**

Please find the itemised list of Curriculum Contributions and Other Contributions for your child.

#### **Curriculum Contributions**

This funds Curriculum Items for all children at all Year Levels and includes: - Classroom requisites, such as exercise books, pens, pencils, ruler, eraser, USB stick, headphones, photocopying and craft and all other general supplies for all classes.

The Curriculum Items pack is prepared on your behalf by a commercial supplier. Considerable time has been spent selecting the most appropriate requisites and seeking the best bulk purchase option for the school. In line with the Department of Education and Training Parent Payment Policy, families may choose to decide to independently purchase Curriculum Items, however, we seek your support to purchase through the school supplier. This ensures consistency for all children to have the same materials and requisites at each level.

The Curriculum Contributions also contributes to the cost of resources and equipment for all Specialist Programs across the school, including Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Physical Education, STEM and Japanese, as well as Student Leadership programs such as, Peer Leadership, Buddies, and Year 6 School Leaders. These items or services support the course of instruction in the standard curriculum.

This also contributes to subscriptions used within the classroom and at home throughout the year, including but not limited to Scholastic Literacy and Inquisitive.

	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Curriculum Contributions – Prep to Year 2</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>Curriculum Contributions – Year 3 to Year 5</b>	<b>\$310.00</b>
<b>Curriculum Contributions – Year 6</b>	<b>\$330.00</b>

#### **Other Contributions**

Williamstown North Primary School provides a range of non-curriculum supports and activities. These supports and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child.

### **Digital Technologies Contribution**

Digital technologies including programs, maintenance, resources and consumables are a vital educational need for all students across the school. The functionality and connectivity of all iPads, laptops and netbooks greatly enriches the learning opportunities for all students as they forge their capabilities as digital learners. In addition, our technician Tinh Nguyen will continue to co-ordinate digital technologies across the school.

<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Digital Technologies</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>

### **Health Hub Contribution**

Health and wellbeing, including programs, preventative and responsive resources and consumables enable us to provide a holistic approach to supporting student's health and wellbeing and promotes links between the school community and the broader local community. Our Health Hub ensures all children who are injured or sick at school receive a highly professional level of care. Our registered nurse, Arlene Lawrence will continue to co-ordinate the Health Hub enriching health and wellbeing across the school.

<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Health Hub</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>

### **Other Contributions**

<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Tax deductible?</b>	<b>Suggested Contribution per family</b>			<b>Amount:</b>
<b>Playground Improvement</b> <i>An important contribution to the development of our playground and identified projects to improve the facilities for your children, as well as additional shade structures, equipment, and soft fall mulch.</i>	No	\$50			
<p>Money from the Building Fund makes a very important contribution in helping to maintain all buildings and facilities to a high standard, so that the learning environment for your child/ren is inviting for them every day. DET provides only a basic amount to schools to maintain facilities. This falls far short from the amount spent annually. We undertake an annual painting program every year as well as addressing the extensive compliance requirements set by DET, WorkSafe and OH&amp;S.</p>					
<b>Building Fund</b> <i>School council has established tax-deductible gift recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office for the Building Fund.</i>	Yes	e.g. \$20	e.g. \$50	e.g. \$100	
<b>Business Donation</b>	No	e.g. \$20	e.g. \$50	e.g. \$100	
					<b>TOTAL \$50.00</b>

# Williamstown North Primary School

## Contribution Payment

Families will not be required to collect the Curriculum Items Pack from school. All school items will be delivered directly to your child's classroom.

Payment can be made by Compass, cash, cheque, EFTPOS, or BPay.

Please email [williamstown.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:williamstown.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au) once BPay payment/s have been made to specify payment details.

### Payment for 2025 Curriculum Contributions:

- Compass Pay – Payment can be made via credit/debit card on the Compass App (preferred).
- EFTPOS – available at the school office between 8:30am to 4:00pm, or over the telephone.
- Cash – Cash payments will be accepted at the office between 8:30am to 4:00pm.
- BPay – If you do not already have these details, please contact the office on (03) 9397 5722.

If any family wishes to arrange flexible payment options, please contact the Acting Assistant Principal (Finance) via the office.

**CREDIT CARD:** If you wish to pay by credit card and are not able to visit the office, please complete the details below and place the completed form in a SEALED envelope to maintain your credit card security. Your receipt will be emailed to you once the payment has been processed.  
I wish to make a payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ using my Credit Card – details as follows:

Name on Credit card

MasterCard      Visa      Expiry date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_      CCV \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number:      \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Cardholder Signature:

Students Full Name/s:

# Parent PAYMENTS Policy

## 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:

<b>Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>
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.