

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW

The following is a summary of the main principles of the Parent Payments Policy:



FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements as outlined in the Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.



PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

- Schools do not ask parents to pay for school operating costs (e.g. utility costs) or general and unspecified charges.
- Schools request payments from parents under three categories:

Essential Student Learning Items

- Items and activities which the school deems essential for student learning.
- Parents may choose to purchase essential items through the school or provide their own.

Optional Items

- Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are offered in addition to the standard curriculum.
- These are provided to students on a user-pays basis.

Voluntary Contributions

- Voluntary contributions support the school to continue to be the best local school for all students and can be for general or specific purpose.
- Students will not be disadvantaged in any way if parents do not make a contribution.



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 obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and upload their arrangements on their school's public website for transparency.

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Parent

Dhurringile Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Dhurringile School's parent payment arrangements for 2021.

Please find the fee schedule for your child attached. Please complete this form and return to the school by November 26th so the school can prepare accordingly.

Dhurringile School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- payment plan

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

Principal. Lisa Wilson

Ph: 03 58266222 | Email: Dhurringile.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Payment Methods

Cheque

Cash

EFT: 063 547 10030587

Refunds

Refunds will be considered on an individual basis.

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

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Wilson

Principal

Sally Livesay

School Council President

ATTACHMENT:

FEE SCHEDULE

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items for your child. MARC and MACC resources are supplied by the visiting teachers and charged per student to Dhurringile School. Mathletics is an online learning tool where students individual log in details (for school and home use).

Dhurringile School also continues to welcome voluntary contributions for 2021.

Please complete this form and return to the school by November 26th so the school can prepare accordingly.

Essential Student Learning Items

Charges for Essential Learning Items to include the following.

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount
Consumables as listed	30.00
MARC (Library)	30.00
MACC (Art/Craft)	30.00
Mathletics Subscription	30.00
TOTAL	\$ 120.00

A list of Essential Learning Items (consumables) is attached.

Optional Items

Camps and Excursion are charged for at the time of events.

Voluntary Contributions

Dhurringile School continues to welcome voluntary contributions to support our school.

You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all of our school’s important priorities for 2021 as well as providing additional activities and services for all students

Parent Payment Charges

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount_____
Voluntary financial contribution	Amount_____
TOTAL	_____