

11th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: School Saving Bonus Payments

In Term 4, 2024, families will receive a one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus for each child enrolled in a government school from Prep to Year 12 in 2025. The payment provides families with support for education-related costs, such as school activities, school uniforms or textbooks.

The School Saving Bonus is not available for full-fee international, home schooled, TAFE or kindergarten students.

Actions for parents and carers

Before 18th October 2024, the Department of Education is asking parents and carers to:

- Complete enrolment: If your child, or children are changing government school before Term 1 2025, or starting Prep or Year 7 in 2025, you should complete the enrolment process now. For more information, go to https://www.vic.gov.au/how-choose-school-and-enrol
- Check your contact information: Check and update your email address and phone number in Compass. Details on how to update your contact information in Compass can be found in the attached document.

Your contact information must be up to date, as the Department of Education will email you twice:

- In October, to verify your email address.
- In November, with information about your \$400 School Saving Bonus and access to the online system.

To access the School Saving Bonus, the College must have your correct email and phone numbers. The Department of Education will be contacting families directly via email with how to access the online system.

Please check your junk mail regularly to make sure you do not miss an important email.

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus please refer to the attached School Saving Bonus Information sheet or visit: vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus. You can also contact the College if you would like assistance with updating your contact details.

Regards

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