

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Koo Wee Rup Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the 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/contributions which makes a huge difference to be able to offer a diverse range of innovative programs, special curriculum experiences and enhanced learning opportunities to our students.

## **Payment Methods**

We recommend using the COMPASS portal as it allows you to pay your contributions directly to the area of your choice. Payment can be made in full or part, or by instalment plan using a valid credit or debit card for the following dates:

15<sup>th</sup> February 2025,

15<sup>th</sup> March 2025,

15<sup>th</sup> April 2025, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Also available, BPAY, EFTPOS, Credit Card over the phone,

## **Financial Support for Families**

We understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and hardship. We offer a range of support options including:

- CSEF. Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (See DET Website for eligibility. Valid HHC req.)
- SSR. States School Relief (Uniform & Stationary packages) Contact Tara Mantel in First Aid.
- Sustainable School Shop (Second hand uniforms and textbooks)
- Centrelink Payment Plan
- **COMPASS Payment Plan**

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services please contact Karen Unkles, Accounts Receivable Officer on 5997 1444 or email <a href="mailto:karen.unkles@education.vic.gov.au">karen.unkles@education.vic.gov.au</a>.

Refunds: - Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on caseby-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please refer to the Departments Website.

Yours sincerely,

Shaun Doherty

Principal

Chris David

**President College Council**