



Dear Beaumaris Primary Parents/Carers,

Beaumaris Primary School is looking forward to another outstanding year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the 'standard' Victorian curriculum, and we want to assure you all that contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing financial support and commitment of our families ensures that our school can offer a high quality and diverse education that supports our children to reach their potential and positively contribute to their world, both locally and globally. *We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. We want to thank you in advance for all financial support as this makes a significant difference to the quality of programs we can offer.*

Within our school, your financial support has allowed us to offer above and beyond the standard curriculum. This includes programs and resources unique to Beaumaris Primary School such as:

- Booster Groups
- Exceptional Learners Program
- Nessy Groups
- High-quality literature for our library and classroom libraries
- Maths and Literacy Specialist Leadership
- High-quality take-home reading books
- Five Specialist Programs: Japanese, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Environmental Science, Physical Education
- Additional student resources for Specialist Programs
- Enhanced technology available for students
- Additional IT support
- Kitchen Garden Program
- Grounds Team to relieve parents from participating in working bees
- Maintenance Team for our school

We ask that you please consider paying the contributions where you can, as they support many different educational, social and physical aspects of our school. We genuinely appreciate the generosity of our wonderful families. These contributions ensure students are taught, challenged, and supported with every learning opportunity.

We have taken onboard feedback from families to improve the payment process, with all payments now on the Compass platform, including a payment plan option. For further information on the school Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached. Should you have any questions regarding our Parent Contributions for 2025 please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Tapp
Principal

Mr Steve Marshall
School Council President

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum.	Amount
Classroom Consumables, Materials & Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art – Paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, clay & firing: \$40 • Science – Consumables: \$20 • Maths – Consumables: \$20 • English – Consumables: \$20 • Sports – Equipment: \$20 • STEAM – Consumables: \$10 • Sustainability, Chickens, and Kitchen Garden – Consumables: \$30 • Japanese – Consumables: \$20 • Classroom Consumables: \$50 	\$230
Online Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essential Assessment (P-6) – Literacy: \$17 • Essential Assessment (P-6) – Maths: \$8 • Language Nut (P-6): \$2 • Seesaw (P-6): \$11 	\$52
Compass – Reporting, Assessment and Communication	\$28
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT: Provision of class iPads (P-3) • BYOD (Bring Your Own Device): Increased tech support (Years 4-6) 	\$100
Printing and photocopying of learning materials	\$35
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$445

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
First aid	\$100
School Sports Victoria	\$15
Student Welfare	\$100
School Maintenance – Enables our Garden Team and Maintenance Team to care for and keep our grounds and buildings safe	\$100
Total Other Contributions	\$315
Tax deductible contributions	
<i>Building Fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure any amount is gratefully accepted. We are currently focusing on building up our Building Fund with the goal of getting a new hall in conjunction with the Department. Having funds to go towards this project is imperative to getting improvements that we want as a school that will not be provided by the Department.</i>	\$100
<i>Library fund A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchase and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$100

Educational items for students to own

The school recommends you purchase from *Ka-Ka Kids* for your child to individually own and use. List already received from school. You can purchase from another supplier if you wish.



Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Beaumaris Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>School magazine/yearbook - Available to order later in the year.</i>	TBA
<i>School camps – Year 3 – Year 6</i>	TBA
<i>Year 5 & 6 Interschool sports program.</i>	Pay as you go on Compass
<i>Excursions to be scheduled (estimated \$250)</i>	Pay As You Go on Compass
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 445
Other Contributions Specialist contribution, ICT Levy, First Aid/Welfare contribution, Grounds levy <i>(non-tax deductible)</i>	\$ 315
Building Fund <i>(Tax Deductible)</i> – Suggested \$100	\$
Library Fund <i>(Tax Deductible)</i> – Suggested \$100	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities School Yearbook, Camps, Year 5/6 Interschool sport and excursions payable throughout the year on Compass - TBC	\$
Total	\$ 755



Payment methods

2025 Payments can be made on Compass and available commencing **3rd February 2025**.

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-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, the Department's Parent Payments Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

Financial Support for Families

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

- CSEF -the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (Form available from the office)
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities, please contact our Assistant Principal – Grace Hulls on 9589 2619 so we can personalise for you.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: *Grace Hulls* on Ph: 03 95892619

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



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 requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- 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:

Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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.

