



**Wangala**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parent/guardian,

Wangala Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Wangala Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

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.

Within our school this support has allowed us to offer: a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; a wide range of excursions and activities.

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

Yours sincerely,

Steven King

Acting Principal



<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
<i>Student classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Stationery and classroom consumables</li><li>● Mathematics and Literacy workbooks</li><li>● Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</li><li>● Art, STEAM consumables and resources</li><li>● Online learning resources e.g. Seesaw, Reading Eggs</li></ul>	\$131
<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Wangala PS offers a range of activities, excursions and camps that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.	
<b>For example: The costs for activities and student's camps are calculated prior to the activity or camp and vary according to a number of factors. As an example, in 2019 the Swimming Program cost \$60, the Anglesea camp cost \$280. Other charges for different athletics or other sports events may also arise for those eligible.</b>	\$To be advised
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$131</b>

### Financial Support for Families

We understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (for families that hold valid Health Care or Pension Card)
- Payment plans.
- For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Steven King.

### Payment methods

**EFTPOS is available at the school office**

**Direct credit payments can be made to BSB 063-504 Account 10094214**

### Voluntary Contributions

Wangala Primary School appreciates your voluntary contributions to support our school. You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all our school's important priorities for 2022 as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.



Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

Voluntary Contribution	Tax deductible ?	Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family			Amount
		E.g. \$40	E.g. \$60	E.g. \$80	
General Contribution Grounds Maintenance Program	No				\$ _____
Curriculum Contribution This supports the purchase of extra resources in Art, Music, Physical Education and STEM	No				\$ _____
School Assistance Program These funds help to support families struggling to pay for schools costs who have demonstrated financial hardship	No				\$ _____
Building Fund	Yes				\$ _____
Library Fund – Additional reading books	Yes				\$ _____
<b>School Council has established tax-deductible gift recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office for the Building Fund and Library Fund</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>		\$ _____

Voluntary contributions for schools are what helps our school stand out from the pack and enables us to offer great facilities, high quality educational programs and other opportunities that some schools cannot.

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

A tax deduction is available should you donate to the library or building funds.



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On behalf of the Wangala Primary School community we sincerely thank you for your finance contribution that keeps your child's school as one of the leading schools in State Education.

### Refunds

Wangala Primary School will consider requests for partial or full refunds of payments made by families on a case by case basis, taking into consideration the individual circumstances. Generally, we will not be able to refund payments made for costs that have already been paid where those funds have already been paid to a third party e.g. for camp costs where a child is unwell and is unable to attend where payment has already been paid for accommodation or travel and no refund is available to the school.

If a student transfers to another Victorian school any unused CSEF credit will be transferred to that school on that student's behalf.

**Please return this slip with payment**

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### Parent Payment Charges Summary

Curriculum Contributions	Amount	\$_____
Optional Items	Amount	\$_____
Voluntary financial contribution	Amount	\$_____
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$_____</b>

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

2022 Year level \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose Cash / Card



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Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_ CCV \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate if you choose to use Camps, Sports and Excursion Funds or other existing family credit held at the school towards student Curriculum Contributions**    Yes     No

# 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 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:

#### 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.