



FUNDRAISING

PURPOSE

To provide parents/carers and other members of our school community with an overview of Eastwood Primary School's approach to fundraising.

POLICY

Fundraising is an important way for Eastwood Primary School to raise money so that it can deliver additional learning opportunities, programs for students, improve school amenities and provide extra resources to support the students' learning experiences.

School staff, members of the school community or the Eastwood Parents and Friends may want to undertake fundraising activities for Eastwood Primary School.

Eastwood Primary School encourages all members of our school community to be involved in fundraising initiatives and School Council welcomes all proposals of fundraising for consideration.

Fundraising is a function of the School Council so Council must approve all fundraising events or activities on behalf of our school.

At the beginning of each school year, the School Council will approve any fundraising events or activities for the upcoming year. If it is necessary during the year, the School Council may approve additional fundraising events or activities.

In deciding whether or not to approve particular fundraising events or activities, the School Council will act in accordance with legal requirements, any relevant Department of Education and Training policy or guideline, and the Department's *Finance Manual for Victorian Government Schools*.

All money raised through fundraising, unless legally otherwise provided for, will be held on trust by the School Council for the general or particular purpose for which it was raised.

Junior School Council fundraising

At times during the year the Junior School Council may wish to raise funds for a specific cause. With the support of the teacher responsible, JSC members will seek approval for such fundraising from the Principal. School Council gives the Principal the discretion to approve/not approve each request on its behalf.

Fundraising for Charitable Causes

Eastwood Primary School, through the School Council, may also decide to fundraise for charitable causes. In deciding whether or not to fundraise for a particular charitable cause, School Council may:

- Consider whether the methods used to raise funds for any specific charitable appeal are appropriate
- Seek written advice from organisations promoting fundraising activities on the percentage of funds raised that are directed to the named charity

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- School Policy and Advisory Guide: [School Generated Funding](#)
- [Finance Manual for Victorian Government Schools](#)
- [Fundraising Act 1998](#)
- [School Financial Guidelines](#)
 - *Internal Controls for Victorian Government Schools*
 - *Cash handling Resources*
 - Cash Handling Best Practice Controls
 - Cash Handling Authorised Form Fundraising Collection
 - Cash Handling Authorised Form Ticket Sales Not at Office
 - Cash Handling Authorised Form

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was approved by school council in August 2020 and is scheduled for review in 2023.