



EASTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND DEAF FACILITY
ENTHUSIASM PRECEDES SUCCESS

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Eastwood Primary School and Deaf Facility is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of *the school's* financial contributions for 2026.

Payment can be processed as a lump sum payment via Compass. Payments can also be made via pre-set instalments by accessing "Course Confirmation/School Payments". You can also set up an individualised payment plans as detailed on page 3.

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. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to provide:

Curriculum Contributions

Curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum e.g., class sets, art resources, performing arts equipment, sports equipment.

Other Contributions

Non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives e.g. wellbeing programs, first aid equipment, school grounds maintenance and play equipment.

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 e.g., excursions, incursions, camps, sports day activities.

Yours sincerely,

Principal
Rukshana Verzijl

School Council President
Skye Cameron

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Year 4 classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Student Stationery Items – class sets</i> • <i>Art – paint brushes, paint, glitter, coloured paper, craft paper, cardboard</i> • <i>Craft – ingredients for cooking and craft</i> • <i>LOTE (Language Other Than English) Auslan resources</i> • <i>Performing Arts</i> • <i>Digital Technology</i> • <i>Mathematics – numeracy equipment and assessments</i> • <i>English – Classroom Readers and instructional texts</i> • <i>Sports – equipment</i> • <i>Inquiry / STEM</i> 	\$145
<i>Year 4 Online Subscriptions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mathletics</i> • <i>Storybox</i> • <i>Encyclopaedia Britannica</i> 	\$40
<i>Year 4 Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$25
Total Amount	\$210
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Student wellbeing programs</i> <i>Chaplaincy Program</i> <i>First aid equipment</i> <i>Library fund</i> <i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$75
Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.</i>	\$50
Total Amount	\$125

Category - Total	
Curriculum Contributions	\$210
Other Contributions	\$125
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	TBA

Curriculum - Educational items for students to own	Amount
Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Maxim via the link to be sent out on Compass for your child to individually own and use. Detailed instructions will be sent to you via Compass.	
<i>Bookpack</i>	\$58.26

Eastwood Primary School and Deaf Facility offers a range of items and activities 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.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
<i>Sports, Kitchen Garden Program, Excursions/Incursions and Camps will be sent out separately each term</i>	TBA	N/A
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$TBA

Financial Support for Families

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

- *Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)*
- *State Schools Relief*

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

Rukshana Verzijl

Ph: 03 9870 6103 | Email: Rukshana.verzijl@education.vic.gov.au

Payment methods

Our preferred method of payment is via Compass. Payments can also be made via EFTPOS at the front office.

Via Compass you can:

1. Choose to pay in a lump sum.
2. Opt for the pre-set instalment arrangement as per compass.

Individualised payment plan

If the pre-set instalment arrangement available on Compass is not suitable, we are able to set up an individualised payment plan that suits your needs via the office. If this is the case please contact us via email at Eastwood.ps@education.vic.gov.au requesting us to set up an individualised payment plan for you.

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.