

November 2021

PARENT PAYMENTS 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Mentone Primary School is looking forward to another wonderful year of teaching and learning in 2022 during which we will reconnect and re-vitalise the strong relationships, curiosity, creativity and the confidence that characterise the essence of our school community. In preparation for the year ahead, we would like to advise you of Mentone Primary'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. However, ongoing support from our MPS families by way of financial contributions ensures that our school can offer greater variety and cater to individual needs to provide the best possible education and support for our students. Your support has allowed us to offer a greater variety of subjects, specialists, activities, learning programs, special curriculum experiences, high quality digital learning opportunities and intervention and extension programs for all our students. In short, your contributions help to make Mentone Primary School what it is- a progressive, inclusive and dynamic learning environment for our children.

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.

Enclosed are the following:

- Curriculum Contribution details, (referred to in previous years as Essential Learning Items.)
- Stationery details form from our stationery supplier Ka-Ka Kids. Stationery is to be **ordered and paid for** directly to Ka-Ka Kids – full details are on the form provided.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please access this link- <http://mentoneps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/parent-payments-one-page-overview.pdf> or see the attached document.

STATIONERY (Educational items for students to own)

Upon ordering of stationery directly through Ka-Ka Kids the supplier will deliver all student stationery directly to each classroom and then teachers will distribute these to students on the first school day in 2022. Each stationery pack will include named labels for each student. Orders for stationery are due by **Friday 3rd December 2021**.

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Costs of materials including, cooking ingredients, online subscriptions to learning activities and art supplies used in the classroom, expendable materials used for science and technology and all other specialist classes.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NON-CURRICULUM ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES

The Mentone Primary School Council is extremely appreciative of the generosity of parents who are able to support the school through the payment of the Voluntary Levy. Voluntary Levies will be specifically targeted at provision of Information Communication and Technology resources, reading materials, grounds development, physical education equipment and library purchases.

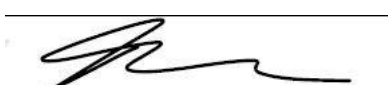
If you are experiencing financial hardship and require a parent payment arrangement, please call the school on 9583 2995 for a confidential discussion with our Business Manager, Belinda Cooper.

Payments are preferred via Compass or in person via EFT of Credit Card at the school office.

Your Sincerely,



Marcelle van Maanen
Principal



Travis Wild
School Council President

PARENT PAYMENTS FOUNDATION TO YEAR 6 - 2022

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	COST
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	
These items or services are essential to support the course of instruction in the standard curriculum program. Costs of materials including printed materials, cooking ingredients, online subscriptions to learning activities and art supplies used in the classroom, expendable materials used for science and technology and all other specialist and generalist classes. See attached for full breakdown.	\$308
Information and communication technology, This cost will provide for devices as shared classroom sets as an alternative to a fully parent funded individual Bring Your Own Device program, (BYOD).	\$40
SUGGESTED SUBTOTAL: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	\$348
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS – NON-CURRICULUM ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES	
1. Building Fund Donation (<i>Tax deductible</i>) Donations to the Building Fund will help with expenses on capital improvements and maintenance, as well as maintaining and installing fixtures.	\$25, \$50 or \$100
2. Library Fund Donation (<i>Tax deductible</i>) Donations to the Library will help the school to purchase high quality reading material, new releases, quality picture books and maintain the library environment including comfortable and flexible seating options.	\$25, \$50 or \$100
SUGGESTED SUBTOTAL: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	\$348
YOUR TOTAL: OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS – NON-CURRICULUM ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____
EDUCATIONAL ITEMS FOR STUDENTS TO OWN- BOOK-PACKS	
Attached is a stationery list which guides you on the everyday items that your child will use in the classroom. Stationery is to be ordered directly through Ka-Ka Kids. See form attached explaining full details. Stationery orders are due by Friday 3rd December. <i>All stationery orders will be delivered directly to the school.</i>	Student Book packs, ordered and paid directly to KAKA Kids. Please see attached order form with full details
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES	
These are activities or services that are offered in addition to the standard curriculum program. These are provided on a user-pays basis so that if parents choose to access them for students, they are required to pay for them. These include Senior Sport, all incursions and excursions and the supplementary Swimming Program/lessons Foundation-Grade 6.	As per activity to be charged in 2022

To support families with their planning we have 2 payment options available.

OPTION 1

Payment in full by Monday 24th January 2022

Or

OPTION 2

Three instalments, proposed as follows:
Please login to Compass to access the 3-instalment option.

Instalment 1- Monday 24th January 2022
Instalment 2- Monday 7th March 2022
Instalment 3- Monday 25th April 2022

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTION Breakdown - 2022

Science and Sustainability consumables - \$35

- Seeds, pots, plants, twine, compost, cooking ingredients, cotton wool, paper, cardboard, sticky tape, seeds, soil, stockings, disposable cups, straws, model construction materials, plasticine and modelling clay, timber, gloves.

Art consumables - \$40

- Glitter, paint, paper, cardboard, glue, canvas, sticky tape, clay, textas, crayons, fabric and wool, modelling wire, crepe, metallic card, acrylic paints, paint pens, paper shapes, sequins, pom poms, framing.

Physical Education consumables - \$25

- Ribbons, medals, laminating resources, paper, sunscreen, individual schedule cards, home study practice equipment, student badges, SSV membership, Mordialloc District Affiliation.

Literacy consumables - \$30

- Take home learning packs, paper, laminating pouches, home practice packs, spelling, grammar and vocabulary

Numeracy consumables - \$30

- Take home learning packs, paper, laminating pouches, icy pole sticks, straws, Ziplock bags, student game construction materials.

Relational Learning and Student Wellbeing consumables - \$15

- Nesy program and resources, laminating materials, take home zone charts, grocery/baking items for student snack and lunch, C-Pens.

LOTE consumables - \$10

- Paper, tape, cardboard, paint, laminating pouches, grocery/baking items.

Health – \$15

- Life education-Healthy Harold.

Classroom/Learning Centre program consumables - \$50

- Laminating pouches, pencils, paper- plain, coloured, tissue, crepe, and decorative, blutac, paint, whiteout, glue, straws, kinder squares, string, goggly eyes, glitter, dice, plasticine/modelling clay, icy pole sticks, rubbers, cardboard, sticky tape, masking tape, paper plates, pins and split pins, plastic pockets, chalk, construction paper and materials, post it notes, cooking supplies, flour, sugar, eggs, milk, etc. Prizes for literacy and numeracy games, visual diaries and student badges.

Online Subscriptions

Literacy planet	\$17.50
Bug club	\$4.00
Essential Assessment – My Numeracy/My Literacy	\$14
Pat Testing	\$10
Compass (student academic and wellbeing data)	\$5
Accelerus, student reporting and assessment	\$7.50

Total \$ 308



Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and State School's Relief

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact our Business Manager, Belinda Cooper.

Ph: 03 95832995 Email: mentone.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.