

2022 Parent Payments

December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Glengala Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to communicate with you our annual voluntary financial contribution for 2022.

Our school provides free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary.

The support of our families in paying an annual voluntary contribution ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for all of our students.

We want to thank you for all your help, whether through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the standard of education we can offer.

Voluntary contributions have helped us purchase reading books, maintain our gardens and Urban Farm, and offer experiences for our students.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dawn Vassallo

Principal

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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"> • Exercise books, pencils, textas, glue sticks • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper • Mathematics – counters, calculators, dice • English – book boxes, reading materials • Sports – balls, equipment 	\$60
Online Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathletics • Reading Eggs • Seesaw • Compass • Essential Assessment • Mappen 	\$20
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$10
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Student wellbeing programs	\$10
First aid equipment	\$10
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$10
Total Amount Due by February 11th 2022	\$120

Educational items for students to own

To support families in 2022, the school will continue to provide book supplies and stationary for your child.

The contribution outlined above, helps us to pay for these items.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Glengala Primary School offers a range of items and activities that enhance the experience of students, and are extra to what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum.

These are provided on a user-pays basis.

These items would be charged to families as they occur, and may include :

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Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
School photos	TBA
Camp	TBA
Interschool Sports program	TBA
Excursions and special visitors	TBA

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) for families with an eligible Health Care Card
- payment plans
- payments via Centrepay (by arrangement with Centrelink)

For a confidential discussion about financial support, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact:

The School Principal
glengala.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	\$120 per child TOTAL
Curriculum Contributions	\$90
Other Contributions	\$30
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	TBA

Payment methods

All Payments are made via Compass

Other payment options include :

- Eftpos
- Cash at the school office
- Bank Deposit

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.

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.