

Year Prep 2025

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum which are necessary for students to learn	Amount
<p>Year Prep - Classroom consumables, materials, & equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Booklist Packs - pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing, graph and scrap books, highlighters, folders, display books, scissors, rulers • Visual Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, wood, beading • Numeracy – numeracy blocks, calculators, books, stationery • Literacy – book boxes, class sets, novels, readers, sound chart • Media Arts – classroom consumables • Sports – equipment, ribbons, materials • Library – books, subscriptions • STEM - Classroom Consumables • Auslan – Classroom Consumables • <i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i> 	\$148
<i>Curriculum Contributions</i>	\$148

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Pakenham Springs Primary School 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
Excursions/Incursions/Sports are organised each term for various year levels at an estimated cost of \$5 to \$50 each.	\$TBA

Other Contributions

For 2025 the School Council invites families to contribute **\$30 per family or an amount of your choice**.

Other Contributions	Amount
<p>In 2025 this contribution will be targeted to 'Outdoor Learning Spaces' in consultation with our SRC students.</p> <p>It will also be targeted towards the 'Upgrade of school Facilities, Including Gym upgrades. Items will be purchased and publicised as money is received and goes directly to the students.</p>	\$30 or amount of your choice

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 148
Other Contributions \$30 per family (or amount of your choosing)	\$ 30
<u>Total Curriculum Contributions and Other Contributions</u>	<u>\$ 178</u>

The School Office will be open for parents on Thursday 23rd January 2025 from 10am to 4 pm.

Financial Support for Families

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

- *Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund to eligible Health Care Card Holders*
- *Individual Payment Plans*
- *State Schools Relief items*

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

Kylie Hunter Ph: 03 5945 7400 | Email: Pakenham.Springs.PS@education.vic.gov.au



PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE

Childs Name:	2025 Year Level:
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Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
<i>Total Curriculum Contributions and Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</i>	\$

Payment methods (Please circle)

- *Compass – preferred*
- *Direct deposit to the school’s bank account. CBA BSB: 063 733 Account: 10285568*
- *BPay*
- *Credit card/Eftpos/Cash at the office*

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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.