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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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Bourchier Street Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Bourchier Street Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, 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, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to continue to provide enhanced learning opportunities, rich experiences and a diverse range of resources for our students. Bourchier Street Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents. We are proud of the outstanding programs and learning environment we provide for all students. The School Council recognises the importance of requesting parent payments and contributions to maintain this high quality.

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

Yours sincerely,

GARY D'ARMA PRINCIPAL



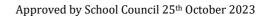
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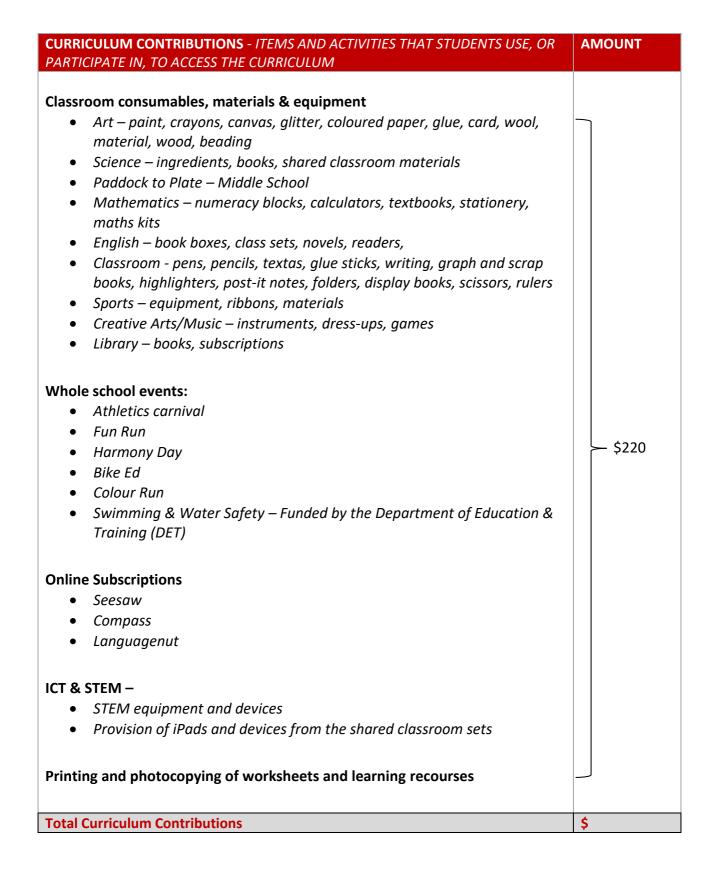
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Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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Bourchier Street 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 ANI	D ACTIVITIES - OPTIONAL	AMOUNT	PURCHASE (PLEASE TICK)
Blue Book Bag		\$15	
School Camps			
Grades 3			
Gundiwindi Camp – Wednesday	\$415		
Grades 4			
Melbourne Camp – Wednesday	\$310		
Grades 5			
Angahook Camp – Wednesday 2	\$465		
Grades 6			
Canberra Camp – Monday 25 th t	\$495		
Excursion Levy – which may incl year level:	ude the following depending on		
* Buses for all Local Excursions	* Visiting Productions/Incursions	400	
* Interschool Sports	* Winter Sports	\$80	
* Heritage Museum	* Resilience Project		
* Mr Poole's Farm Visit * End of your basely une which mean in	* Junior Sleepover clude Swimming, Cinema, Buddy Breakups etc		
Total Extra-curricular Items and		\$	
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS		AMOUNT	
Voluntary contributions for tech	\$		
Voluntary contributions for play	\$		
Total Other Contributions		\$	

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

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

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

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: *Gary D'Arma | Ph: 03 5821 3488 | Email: <u>bourchier.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u>*

YOUR DETAILS:		AMOUNT
Student's name:	Year level	\$
Curriculum Contributions		\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities		\$
Other Contributions		\$
TOTAL		\$

PARENT NAME:..... PARENT SIGNATURE:.....

Payment methods

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- EFTPOS
- Qkr! receipt number
- Cash

I authorise \$_____ to be charged to my Visa / MasterCard.

Details as follows:

NAME (as on car	rd)																	
CARD NO:						-				-				-				
SIGNATURE				•			•	•	•		•	•	•		•	•	•	
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CENTREPAY OPTION

COMMENCE CENTREPAY (form attached)

I have completed the form and returned it to the Office so a deduction of

\$______ (minimum is \$20 per student/Fortnight) from my Centrelink payment can be paid directly to the school for Parent Payments.

Signature:

CURRENT CENTREPAY

I currently have CentrePay arrangements in place and would like to continue to use this option for future Parent Payments

Signature:....

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. itate Sovernment

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 noncurriculum 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.