

Middle Indigo Primary School



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Dear Parents,

Middle Indigo Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Middle Indigo Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum 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 you support, whether that is through contributions, 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 offer a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences such as a Music program, LOTE (language other than English), ART and Library programs, subsidised camps, enhanced digital learning opportunities, and maintaining our buildings and grounds.

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

Yours sincerely,

James Farley
Principal

Sam Dombrovski
School Council President

STUDENT NAME: Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Years Foundation to Year 6 classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pencils, textas, scissors, glue sticks/glue, visual display folder, Reader record book, handwriting workbook, maths workbook, general classroom workbooks, Students will be issue with any stationary items required during the year	\$80.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Eggs – personal subscription enabling access at home and at school • IXL Maths – personal subscription enabling access at home and at school • Library Van (MARC Van) Fortnightly classes with a Library teacher with the opportunity to borrow Library books from the van • Art Van (MACC) Art supplies for a fortnightly class with an Art teacher and an ‘artwork’ completed 	\$25.00 \$25.00 \$25.00 \$30.00
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$15.00
TOTAL CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	\$200.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Curriculum/Buildings support/maintenance</i>	\$
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$
Total Amount	\$

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities -

Middle Indigo 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. It is not necessary to pre-pay for these events, you can wait until the excursion/camp/event arises and decide at that time. The information below is to advise of possible costs.

Please note this is not a complete list. Opportunities may arise for further excursions/incursions that will be communicated to parents prior to the event.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – ALL PRICES ARE ESTIMATES ONLY <i>All costs listed are approximate only – costings will be determined by the number of students who attend the event</i>	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
<i>Optional Swimming Program – Cost will be greatly reduced if the school secures Sporting Schools Program funding</i>	\$10.00 to \$40.00	
<i>Optional Division Swimming Carnival</i>	\$17.00	
<i>Optional Cross Country at Yackandandah</i>	\$10.00	
<i>Optional Winter Carnival</i>	\$17.00	
<i>Optional Athletics Carnival</i>	\$15.00	
<i>Optional Camp – Cost will be subsidised by the school to reduce charge to families</i>	\$150-300	
<i>Optional Water Fun day at local swimming pool</i>	\$15.00	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	\$	

Financial Support for Families

Middle Indigo 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)
- Several camps and excursions are subsidised by the School Council to reduce the overall cost of event.
- Access to the State School’s Relief items (shoes, uniform items can be accessed free of charge)

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

Ph: 02 6026 9235 | Email: middle.indigo.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$

Payment methods

Payments can be made via a Bank Transfer to the school bank account (details below)

BSB: 033 264 (Westpac)

Account Number: 620693

Payments can also be made via cash

Office hours are:

Tuesday and Thursday – 8.45am to 3.30pm

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.