



From little things big things grow

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Epping Views Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum. 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 voluntary contributions, fundraising or volunteering your time. This makes a huge difference to the programs we can offer.

Within our school this voluntary support has allowed us to organise and coordinate the best possible programs outside of the traditional teaching and learning classroom structure. These financial contributions assist us with purchasing of art, music and physical education equipment and resources, enhanced IT facilities and equipment. Other programs which we can offer because of your contributions include the Oral Language programs in Years Prep and One, Bicycle Education, a wide variety of Wellbeing programs, Extension Mathematics, an enhanced Language Support program, sport team uniforms and our first aid facilities this includes a fulltime nurse.

Parent Contributions can be made via your Booklist.



<https://www.edplus.com.au/>

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund **eligible to Health Care Card Holders** – Refer to link below
New CSEF application must be submitted for all new students (incl. new Prep-existing families) <https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>
- State Schools Relief – <https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/>
- Parent Payment Plans via Compass for Extra Curricular activities eg Camps

Please contact the school office if you require further information.

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

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

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Yours sincerely,

Rachel Griffiths

Acting Principal

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School Council President

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Suggested Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment - Mathematics – numeracy blocks, maths kits - English – book boxes, class sets, novels, readers - Science – robotics, 3D printing filament, scientific resources - Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, craft materials - Sports – equipment, ribbons, materials - Library – books, readers, subscriptions - Classroom – general classroom student supplies - Italian - resources - Inquiry learning – resources - Assessments – Teacher/Student learning assessment tools Subscriptions - Compass – online portal and communication, student reporting - Seesaw - SSV Subscription (sports charge per student) - Other subscriptions as required Printing and Photocopying of worksheets and learning materials Whole School Events Eg. Athletics Carnival	\$100.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
ICT equipment, bike and storage shed, replacement of classroom furniture, additional resources for our classrooms, classroom spaces to support teaching and learning , supporting students with materials for projects, upkeep of outdoor learning spaces Eg. Playgrounds, security cameras upkeep. First aid supplies & equipment	\$60.00
Total Amount	\$160.00

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use. (Can be re-used from 2025)

Head Phones with Microphone (Yr 5), Pencil Case (Yr 2 -6), various items as per year level booklist

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Epping Views 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 for example Camps, Excursions and Interschool Sports. Consent and payment for Excursions, Camps and other activities will be communicated to parents via Compass closer to the event.

Payment methods

Voluntary contributions can be paid via your Education Plus Booklist



There will also be an option to pay Voluntary Contributions via Compass in early 2026.

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.

