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PARENT PAYMENT POLICY 2022

Dear Parent,

Goornong 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 2022.

Please find the financial contributions schedule for 2022 on the following pages of this document.

The Contributions Schedule for the different year levels is colour-coded.	Grade Prep
	Grade One-Two
	Grade Three-Four
	Grade Five-Six

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 your support, whether that's 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 offer a wide range of subjects and special curriculum experiences, enhance access to digital technology & digital learning experiences and update curriculum resources and hands-on-materials to enhance student learning.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview on page 3.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Cox

Principal


Rachel Mill

School Council President

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PAYMENT METHODS

	<p>This is our preferred method of payment.</p> <p>The school will provide you with a unique BPay reference on your statement at the beginning of the year.</p>
Cash	<p>Parents are welcome to pay cash, particularly on the first day of school when collecting your child's Stationary Pack.</p> <p>The correct amount is appreciated.</p>
Cheque	<p>Please make cheques payable to Goornong Primary School.</p>

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Goornong 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).
- Flexible payment arrangements and financial assistance programs.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact the school principal, Jason Cox, on 5432 2236.

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 Departments Parent Payment Policy and Guidance, the 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.

CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE – GRADE PREP

<u>GRADE PREP: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum.	
Consumables for Cooking Program (Ingredients used in the food students prepare and eat).	\$ 10
Materials for Art (Paper, paint, glue, craft items etc).	\$ 15
MARC Library Van Levy	\$ 22
Online Learning Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Essential Assessment (My Numeracy). ▪ Raz Plus. ▪ Storybox Library. 	\$ 10
Curriculum-Related Excursions (transport and entry). (Bus travel and entry fees for curriculum related excursions: Palmers Gym Program, Prep-Two Excursion, Cross Country and Cluster Science Day).	\$ 78
Curriculum Contributions TOTAL	\$ 135

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Other Contributions TOTAL	\$ 50

GRADE PREP: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES	Amount
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End-of-Year Whole School Excursion	\$ 15
Swimming Program <i>Employment of AustSwim trained instructors to run Swim & Survive Schools Program, lifeguard and pool entry. (Term Four). In the past our school has been successful in gaining a Sporting Schools grant which provided a significant subsidy to the cost of the Swimming Program. We will pursue grant opportunities again in 2022.</i>	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Contribution TOTAL	\$ 65

Grade Prep: Contributions Schedule	Due Date	Amount
Curriculum Contribution	Friday 28 th January 2022.	\$ 135
Educational Items	Friday 28 th January 2022.	\$ 50
Other Contributions	Friday 8 th April 2022.	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	At least one month prior to the date of the event. The school will notify families of this date.	\$ 65
TOTAL		\$ 300

CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE – GRADE ONE-TWO

GRADE ONE-TWO: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum.	
Consumables for Cooking Program (Ingredients used in the food students prepare and eat).	\$ 10
Materials for Art (Paper, paint, glue, craft items etc).	\$ 15
MARC Library Van Levy	\$ 22
Online Learning Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Essential Assessment (My Numeracy). ▪ Raz Plus. ▪ Storybox Library. 	\$ 10
Curriculum-Related Excursions (Bus travel and entry fees for curriculum related excursions: Palmers Gym Program, Prep-Two Excursion, Cross Country, and Cluster Science Day).	\$ 78
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Other Contributions TOTAL	\$ 50

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End-of-Year Whole School Excursion	\$ 15
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Extra-Curricular Contribution TOTAL	\$ 65

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Educational Items	Friday 28 th January 2022.	\$ 50
Other Contributions	Friday 8 th April 2022.	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	<i>At least one month prior to the date of the event. The school will notify families of this date.</i>	65
TOTAL		\$ 300

CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE – GRADE THREE-FOUR

GRADE THREE-FOUR: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum.	
Consumables for Cooking Program (Ingredients used in the food students prepare and eat).	\$ 10
Materials for Art (Paper, paint, glue, craft items etc).	\$ 15
MARC Library Van Levy	\$ 22
Online Learning Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Essential Assessment (My Numeracy) ▪ Raz Plus. ▪ Storybox Library. 	\$ 10
Curriculum-Related Excursions (Bus travel and entry fees for curriculum related excursions: Palmers Gym Program, Prep-Two Excursion, Cross Country, and Cluster Science Day).	\$ 78
Curriculum Contributions TOTAL	\$ 135

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Other Contributions TOTAL	\$ 50

GRADE THREE-FOUR: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES	Amount
Goornong 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 standard curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.	
End-of-Year Whole School Excursion	\$ 15
Grade Three-Four Curumbene Camp <i>(cost to be confirmed closer to the date of the camp)</i>	Approx. \$ 200
Swimming Program <i>Employment of AustSwim trained instructors to run Swim & Survive Schools Program, lifeguard and pool entry. (Term Four). In the past our school has been successful in gaining a Sporting Schools grant which provided a significant subsidy to the cost of the Swimming Program. We will pursue grant opportunities again in 2021.</i>	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities TOTAL	\$ 265

Grade Three-Four: Contributions Schedule	Due Date	Amount
Curriculum Contribution	<i>Friday 28th January 2022.</i>	\$ 135
Educational Items	<i>Friday 28th January 2022.</i>	\$ 50
Other Contributions	<i>Friday 8th April 2022.</i>	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	<i>At least one month prior to the date of the event. The school will notify families of this date.</i>	\$ 265
TOTAL		\$ 500

CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE– GRADE FIVE-SIX

GRADE FIVE-SIX: CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum.	
Consumables for Cooking Program (Ingredients used in the food students prepare and eat).	\$ 10
Materials for Art (Paper, paint, glue, craft items etc).	\$ 15
MARC Library Van Levy	\$ 22
Online Learning Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Essential Assessment (My Numeracy) ▪ Raz Plus. ▪ Storybox Library. 	\$ 10
Curriculum-Related Excursions (Bus travel and entry fees for curriculum related excursions: Palmers Gym Program, Prep-Two Excursion, Cross Country, and Cluster Science Day).	\$ 78
Essential Student Learning Items TOTAL	\$ 135

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For non-curriculum items and activities.	
Grounds Maintenance Levy <i>Please note that the Grounds Maintenance Levy is a voluntary levy to cover the cost of ground maintenance works needed over the year. If we did not have this Levy, each family would be rostered on and expected to do mowing and gardening etc. With this Levy we are able to employ someone to do this work.</i>	\$50
Other Contributions TOTAL	\$ 50


GRADE FIVE-SIX: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES	Amount
Goornong 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 standard curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.	
End-of-Year Whole School Excursion	\$ 15
Grade Five-Six Canberra Camp <i>(cost to be confirmed closer to the date of the camp)</i>	Approx. \$ 400
Swimming Program <i>Employment of AustSwim trained instructors to run Swim & Survive Schools Program, lifeguard and pool entry. (Term Four). In the past our school has been successful in gaining a Sporting Schools grant which provided a significant subsidy to the cost of the Swimming Program. We will pursue grant opportunities again in 2021.</i>	\$ 50
Grade 6 Graduation Dinner	Approx. \$ 25pp
Grade 6 Leadership Excursion to Melbourne	Approx. \$ 55
Grade 6 T-Shirts	Approx. \$25ea
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities TOTAL	Grade 5: \$ 465 Grade 6: \$ 570

Grade Five-Six: Contributions Schedule	Due Date	Amount
Curriculum Contribution	Friday 28 th January 2022.	\$ 135
Educational Items	Friday 28 th January 2022.	\$ 50
Other Contributions	Friday 8 th April 2022.	\$ 50
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	<i>At least one month prior to the date of the event. The school will notify families of this date.</i>	Grade 5: \$ 465 Grade 6: \$ 570
TOTAL		Grade 5: \$ 700 Grade 6: \$ 805

MONITORING & REVIEW

The school's Parent Payment Policy is reviewed annually by school council. In setting parent payments, school council endeavours to ensure:

- That payments are affordable for families.
- That the school is able to offer its students the best learning opportunities possible.

Date Reviewed	18.10.2021	
Approved By	School Council	
Approval Authority (Signature & Date)		
Communication Procedures	<p><u>Parents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mentioned in school newsletter. ▪ Via school website. 	<p><u>Staff</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Via Induction Pack.
Next Review Date	October 2022	