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Dear Parents/Carers,

Noble Park Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and we would like to advise you of our school's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary and that students of families who are unable to make a contribution are not disadvantaged in any way. However, ongoing financial support of our families helps our school to enhance the learning experience beyond the mandated curriculum, for example, through special curriculum experiences, additional resources for learning opportunities and enhanced digital learning opportunities.

For further information on the <u>Department's Parent Payments Policy</u> please see a one-page overview attached. All classroom supplies will be provided directly to the classrooms in bulk. Teachers will distribute stationery and other supplies to students as needed.

Please find attached our 2026 Voluntary Financial Contributions Schedule outlining the breakdown for each area. Online payments can be made via EFT or CASH from **Thursday 30**th **October 2025** at the school's office, or by Direct Deposit. Please refer to Payment Methods listed below.

We want to thank you for your support, whether that's through voluntary contributions, or volunteering your time. This helps to make a difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Jodie Pyman

Principal

Jenny Frieden

School Council President



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2026 Voluntary Financial Contributions Schedule

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the curriculum	Annual Amount per STUDENT
 Classroom consumables, materials, and equipment Printing and photocopying of learning materials Digital Learning - Essential Assessment 	\$100.00
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS Voluntary financial non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives	Annual Amount per STUDENT
Student wellbeing programs	\$10.00
First aid equipment	\$10.00
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$20.00
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 user-pays basis.	Annual Amount per STUDENT
Details of these items and activities will be provided to students and families through as camps, incursions, and excursions.	ughout the year, such

Family Surname	FAMILY ID:	Office use only
Student(s) First Name		
Student Surname (s) (if different)		

ITEM	Item Amount	Number of students in your family	Annual Amount per FAMILY
Curriculum Contributions			\$
Other Contributions			\$
TOTAL FAMILY CONTRIBUTION			\$

Curriculum Contributions

We aspire to create an inclusive school community that embraces opportunity, and inspires individuals to collaborate, learn and achieve.

Items and activities that students use or participate in, to access the curriculum include:

- Everyday items that your child/ren will use in the classroom for essential curriculum such as art supplies, science
 equipment, cooking ingredients and technology materials.
- Computer applications where our students have their own individual passwords.

Other Contributions

Non-curriculum items and activities to support the daily operations and objectives of Noble Park Primary School.

Extra-Curricular (OPTIONAL) Items and Activities

Noble Park Primary School offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students beyond what the school provides to deliver the curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis. Details of these items and activities are provided to students and families throughout the year such as camps, incursions and excursions.

Financial Support for Families

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

- State Schools' Relief provides support such as new school uniforms, shoes and more for disadvantaged families. Applications are submitted by the school.
- Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible families to assist students to attend
 camps, sporting events and excursions. Application forms will be available for new and eligible families with a
 current Health Care Card by visiting CSEF website or at the office as of 28 January 2026. Parents/carers who
 currently receive CSEF, and who remain eligible, will automatically have their 2026 application processed by the
 school. For all applications, we will require a copy of your current Health Care Card.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact Mitch Welsh (Assistant Principal) on 9546 8811. Any information about your financial circumstances, payment arrangements or status will be kept strictly confidential.

Payment Methods

Noble Park Primary School will be accepting online payments via Direct Deposit, EFT payment or CASH as of 30th October 2025. Our office will be open on 20th, 21st and 22nd January 2026 to assist families with making payments in person or over the phone..

Direct Deposit BSB: 063000

ACCOUNT: 14158268

*Please include your child's name as a reference.

Refunds

Parent/carer 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
 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 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.