



DONALD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Principal: Mr. Gavin Young

Date: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Donald Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the Donald Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for _____ (year).

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 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 provide a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences, along with enhanced digital learning opportunities.

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

PAYMENT METHODS – we ask that no payment is made until we provide you with unique billing information.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN PAGES 3 AND 4 INDICATING YOUR INTENTIONS FOR __ (year) __

Yours sincerely,

Gavin Young

Principal

Donald Primary School

Warren Funcke

School Council President

Donald Primary School

Childs Name _____

Year Level _____

Parent Initials _____

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p><i>Classroom Stationery comprising some or all of the following items depending on year level;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reader Covers</i> • <i>Reader Bags with School Logo</i> • <i>Exercise Books, Display Books, Project Books, Writing Books</i> • <i>Ruler, Scissors, Blu-tak, Glue Sticks</i> • <i>Pens, Pencils, Rubbers, Pencil Sharpners, Textas, Crayons</i> • <i>Paper – ruled, dotted thirds, coloured, kinder squares, graph</i> 	\$60
<p><i>Student Diary</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Grade Prep – 2: Home Diary</i> • <i>Grade 3-4: Reading Trek Student Diary</i> • <i>Grade 5-6: Study Trek Student Diary</i> 	\$10
<p><i>Specialist Subjects: Art – Science – ICT – Active Hands-On Learning</i></p>	\$30
<p><i>Travel & Cultural</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All Sports Events including Travel to Athletics & Regional Sports</i> • <i>Swimming Program including transport to and from the Pool</i> • <i>Affiliations and levies for all associations</i> • <i>Lunchtime Activities</i> • <i>Avocadoes Program</i> • <i>Visiting Performances</i> • <i>Special Theme Days and activities</i> • <i>Grade 5/6 Leadership Programs and Awards</i> • <i>Student Presentations</i> • <i>Grade 6 Graduation</i> 	\$100
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<p><i>School grounds maintenance and improvements (per family)</i></p>	\$20
<p>Total Amount</p>	\$

Childs Name _____

Year Level _____

Parent Initials _____

Educational items for students to own

If you would like a list of items that Donald Primary School recommends for your child, so that you may purchase these items for your child to individually own and use, please contact the School Office.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Donald 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.**

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by the end of Term 1, 2022.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Confirmed Cost	Purchase (Please tick)
<i>Grade Prep, 1 & 2 - BBQ, Disco & Sleepover – estimated \$15 per student</i>	\$TBA	
<i>Grade 3 & 4 Camp – to be scheduled Oct/Nov – estimated \$300 per student</i>	\$TBA	
<i>Grade 5 & 6 Camp – to be scheduled Oct/Nov - estimated \$400 per student</i>	\$TBA	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$TBA

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Payment Plans by arrangement

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

Gavin Young

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Total

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

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.