

# Donald Primary School

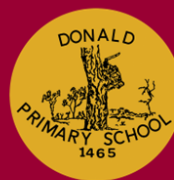
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*Dear parent/guardian,*

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

*Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements 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 wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences; 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&4 INDICATING YOUR INTENTIONS FOR 2023. We will then provide unique billing information.**

*Yours sincerely,*

*Gavin Young*

*Principal*

*Lachlan Jones*

*School Council President*

## 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) 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.



## Voluntary Family Contribution

please complete and return by May 12<sup>th</sup>

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p><i>Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reader covers</li> <li>• Reader bag with school logo</li> <li>• Exercise Books, Display Books, Project Books, Writing Books.</li> <li>• Ruler, Scissors, Blu-tak, Glue sticks</li> <li>• Pens, Pencils, Rubbers, Pencil Sharpeners, Textas, Crayons</li> <li>• Paper – ruled, dotted thirds, coloured, kinder squares, graph</li> </ul>	\$60
<p><i>Student Diary</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grade Prep – 2: Home Diary</li> <li>- Grade 3-4: Reading Trek Student Diary</li> <li>- Grade 5-6: Study Trek Student Diary</li> </ul>	\$10
<p><i>Specialist Subjects: Art-Science-ICT-Active Hands-On Learning</i></p>	\$30
<p><i>Whole school events</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Sports Events including travel to Athletics &amp; Regional Sports</li> <li>• Swimming Program including travel to and from pool.</li> <li>• Affiliations and levies</li> <li>• Lunchtime activities</li> <li>• Avocados Program</li> <li>• Visiting Performances</li> <li>• Special Theme Days and Activities</li> <li>• Grade 5/6 Leadership Programs and Awards</li> <li>• Student Presentations</li> <li>• Grade 6 graduation</li> </ul>	\$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>	



## Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Donald Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum.

**Camps are provided on user-pays basis.**

*The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.*

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>Grade Prep, 1 &amp; 2 – BBQ, Disco &amp; Sleepover – Estimated \$15 per student</i>	\$TBA
<i>Grade 3 &amp; 4 Camp – Scheduled Oct/Nov – Estimated \$300 per student</i>	\$TBA
<i>Grade 5 &amp; 6 Camp – Scheduled Oct/Nov – Estimated \$300 per student</i>	\$TBA
<b>Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>\$TBA</b>

## 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
- *State Schools Relief (SSR)*
- *Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities*

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

Gavin Young

Ph: 03 54 971 581

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$TBA
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>

