



## Parent payments

Dear Parent/Carers,

Antonio Park Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our parent payment arrangements for 2025.

The community of Antonio Park Primary School is proud of the school's excellent facilities and the comprehensive curriculum that it offers within the constraints of a tightly apportioned budget. Each year, School Council has the responsibility of approving the following year's budget, taking into account programs to be offered and the goals and key improvement areas set out in the School Strategic Plan.

Support from our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We thank our families for their continued support. It has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. Over the last two years, our families support has allowed us to undertake fantastic school improvement projects such as:

- Extensive renovation to the oval
- Investments in classroom literature and hands on maths equipment
- Extensive internal and external painting
- New carpets in Junior classrooms
- New furniture in 5/6 classrooms
- Additional landscaping and outdoor seating
- Bike shelter
- Additional play spaces

### Some of the school improvement projects planned for 2025 include:

- Building renovation projects
- Continued enhancements to landscaping
- Upgrades to classroom technology
- Replacements of air conditioning units
- Building renovation project

### PAYMENT SYSTEM

We are continuing with the same Parent Payment system as last year where students will have the opportunity to take their book packs home immediately after payment. The school will keep the book packs at school for families if preferred.

Please note that the price will vary slightly for each year level due to the different items in each year level's book packs.

Additionally, each child will receive a Government School Saving Bonus (SSB) of \$400 to be used towards school events or uniforms. Unfortunately this payment cannot be used towards parent payments. Information on how to access to the SSB parent portal will be emailed to families by DET by the end of November.

**Step 1:** Payment via the Compass portal. We offer payment by four equal instalments or in full. If the payment plan we have suggested is not suitable, please contact the office and we can tailor a plan specific to your needs. Further, we encourage families experiencing financial hardship to contact the school office for a confidential discussion.

Instalment dates:    29<sup>th</sup> November  
                              1<sup>st</sup> February  
                              1<sup>st</sup> March  
                              1<sup>st</sup> April

**Step 2:** If payment or a payment plan is submitted by **29<sup>th</sup> November 2024**, students will be sent home with their book in the second week of December. **Parents also have the option of keeping the book pack at school, ready for next year.** Please email the school at [antonio.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:antonio.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au) if you would like the pack to be held at school. For payments made after this date, the packs will be available in your child's class once school commences in 2025.

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

Yours sincerely

Carly Jones  
Principal

Anna Drummond  
School Council President

# Foundation

| Essential items for students   | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| Foundation Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$85.50         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment   | \$25            |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment   | \$5             |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                                    | \$10            |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment  | \$5             |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment  | \$15            |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance   | \$30            |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>  | <b>\$175.50</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are:   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$175.50        |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00         |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00         |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00         |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00         |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00         |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA             |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$470.50</b> |

# Year 1

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$82         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$172</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are: |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$172.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$467</b> |

# Year 2

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$85         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$175</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are: |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$175.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$470</b> |

# Year 3

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$90         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$180</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$180.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$475</b> |

# Year 4

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$85         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$175</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are: |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$175.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$470</b> |

# Year 5

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$92         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$182</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are: |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$182.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$477</b> |

# Year 6

| Essential items for students  | Amount       |
|---|--------------|
| Book Pack & bulk consumable classroom supplies (for students to own and use in class) | \$92         |
| Visual Arts – resource materials and equipment  | \$25         |
| Performing Arts – resource materials and music equipment                              | \$5          |
| Science and Sustainability – resource materials and equipment                         | \$10         |
| Indonesian – resource materials and equipment   | \$5          |
| Physical Education – P.E. and sport equipment   | \$15         |
| Digital Subscriptions, software and IT maintenance                                    | \$30         |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>   | <b>\$182</b> |

| Non-Curriculum Support   | Amount      |
|--|-------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the outstanding school we appreciate. Some of these programs are: |             |
| Student wellbeing programs   | \$20        |
| Animal Program   | \$15        |
| Nature's classroom/veggie gardens  | \$15        |
| Production   | \$25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$75</b> |

| Other contributions  | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| These funds support additional programs that are outside of the normal curriculum and are unique, valued and make Antonio Park the   |                 |
| <b>Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family</b><br>Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.  | \$80 per Family |
| <b>Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE</b><br>This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.   | \$60            |
| <b>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Contribution</b><br>This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.  | \$50            |
| <b>First Aid Contribution</b><br>The purchase of first aid materials and supplies. These include, but not limited to: school EpiPens, school asthma medication and equipment, first aid kits for camps and excursions, first aid training for all staff. | \$30            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$220</b>    |

| Summary  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items                         | \$182.00     |
| Non- Curriculum support                                  | \$75.00      |
| Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per family | \$80.00      |
| Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE                             | \$60.00      |
| Grounds & Maintenance Contribution                       | \$50.00      |
| First Aid Contribution                                   | \$30.00      |
| Extra- Curricula Items and Activities                    | TBA          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$477</b> |



| Summary    | Total including Building Fund | Total without Building Fund |
|------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Foundation | \$470.50*                     | \$390.50                    |
| Year 1     | \$467*                        | \$387                       |
| Year 2     | \$470*                        | \$390                       |
| Year 3     | \$475*                        | \$395                       |
| Year 4     | \$470*                        | \$390                       |
| Year 5     | \$477*                        | \$397                       |
| Year 6     | \$477*                        | \$397                       |

**\*\$80 Building contribution is a per family charge**

### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Antonio Park Primary School offers a range of items and activities and camps 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.

Information about these activities and the costs involved will be provided to parents/carers prior to the events. In the case of camps, forward notice will be given so that a payment plan can be established.

### Financial Support for Families

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

- School Saving Bonus—Every child will receive \$400 to be used towards school events or uniforms
- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State schools relief
- individual payment plans

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

Leonie Oppawsky  
 Ph: 03 9874 4371  
 Email: antonio.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au

### Payment Methods

The preferred method of payment is through the Compass Parent Portal however payment can also be made by credit card at the office.

# 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.