



Parent payments—New Process

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 2024.

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 determining 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:

- Investments in classroom literature and hands on maths equipment
- The establishment of a Science Specialist subject
- Extensive internal and external painting
- Renovations to the hall
- New carpets in Junior classrooms
- New furniture in 5/6 classrooms
- New synthetic basketball courts

Some of the school improvement projects planned for 2024 include:

- Drainage and upgrades to the oval
- Installation of a bike shed
- Upgrades to classroom technology
- Replacements of some air conditioning units
- Additional outdoor seating

NEW PAYMENT SYSTEM

We are introducing a new Parent Payment system where students will have the opportunity to take their book packs home immediately after payment. The school will store book packs 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.

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: 29th November
 1st February
 1st March
 1st April

Step 2: If payment or a payment plan is submitted by **29th November 2023**, students will be sent home with their book pack during the week 4th – 8th December. Parents also have the option of storing the book pack at school, ready for next year. Please email the school at 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 2024.

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

Yours sincerely

Carly Jones
Principal

Michael Ewison
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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$175.50

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
Total	\$75

Other contributions	Amount
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Building Fund Contribution – TAX DEDUCTIBLE – per Family Your contribution will support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure. Donations are at the family's discretion.	\$80 per Family
Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE This contribution supports book purchases and other equipment that sustains the library as a valuable resource. Donations are at the family's discretion.	\$60
Grounds & Maintenance Contribution This contribution supports the grounds maintenance, equipment and materials to ensure safety standards are maintained.	\$50
First Aid Contribution 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
Total	\$220

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
Total	\$470.50

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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$172

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Animal Program	\$15
Nature's classroom/veggie gardens	\$15
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Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE	\$60.00
Grounds & Maintenance Contribution	\$50.00
First Aid Contribution	\$30.00
Extra- Curricula Items and Activities	TBA
Total	\$467

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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$175

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Student wellbeing programs	\$20
Animal Program	\$15
Nature's classroom/veggie gardens	\$15
Production	\$25
Total	\$75

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Library Fund– TAX DEDUCTIBLE	\$60.00
Grounds & Maintenance Contribution	\$50.00
First Aid Contribution	\$30.00
Extra- Curricula Items and Activities	TBA
Total	\$470

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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$180

Non-Curriculum Support	Amount
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Animal Program	\$15
Nature's classroom/veggie gardens	\$15
Production	\$25
Total	\$75

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Total	\$220

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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
Total	\$475

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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$175

Non-Curriculum Support	Amount
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Animal Program	\$15
Nature's classroom/veggie gardens	\$15
Production	\$25
Total	\$75

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Total	\$220

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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
Total	\$470

Year 5 & 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
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$182

Non-Curriculum Support	Amount
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Student wellbeing programs	\$20
Animal Program	\$15
Nature's classroom/veggie gardens	\$15
Production	\$25
Total	\$75

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Total	\$220

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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
Total	\$477

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 & 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:

- 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:

Lisa Pegorin or 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.