

November 2022

*Dear parent/guardian,*

***Voluntary Financial Contributions for 2023***

Beaumaris Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning.

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 contributions of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education for our students. We want to thank you for all your support, as your support makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

*Within our school your support allows us to purchase additional items not covered by government grants. We ask our families to contribute to:*

- 1. Individual student annual subscriptions to online platforms for your child, such as Seesaw, Wushka, Mathletics, Essential Assessment, various Apps etc. to ensure your child accesses the best learning opportunities to support achievement outcomes*
- 2. Purchase of literacy, mathematics and science resources and equipment to fully engage and support your child in their learning*
- 3. Purchase of additional resources and equipment to enrich your child's learning in visual arts, performing arts, physical education, Sport and Japanese programs*
- 4. Purchase of interactive and smart televisions and digital technologies to further enrich your child's learning and to ensure your child is fully immersed in 21<sup>st</sup> century learning and teaching at every year level and in specialist areas*
- 5. Maintain upkeep of our grounds and play equipment*

*To contribute to the school, as Curriculum Contribution for your child, please indicate your contribution on the table below and return this to the school by 20 February 2023 or make payment on the QKR! App.*

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

*Yours sincerely,*



**Sheryl Skewes**  
Principal

**Steve Marshall**  
School Council President

<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> – items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
<b><i>Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Classroom &amp; Specialist consumables, printing/copying worksheets and learning materials (\$61.00 )</i></li> <li><i>Art – Paint, crayons, glue, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, clay and firing (\$24.12 ) Japanese (\$6.00)</i></li> <li><i>STEAM/Kitchen Garden P-Yr 6 and Sustainability (includes design and construction materials, potting mix, seedlings etc to support student learning (\$ 8.00)</i></li> <li><i>Resilience Project – Active learning with students and information for families (\$12.80)</i></li> </ul>	\$111.92
<b><i>Online subscriptions</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Online subscriptions - Mathematics , Seesaw, Maths Antics, Brain Pop, Wushka (P-Yr3), Literacy Planet (Yr4-6), Essential Assessment Numeracy (portion) (\$97.38)</i></li> </ul>	\$97.38
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>ICT Provision of shared sets, maintenance and Apps (\$ 30.70 )</i></li> </ul>	\$30.70
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 240.00</b>

<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	<b>Amount</b>
<i>Specialist Contributions – Physical Education, Japanese, Performing Arts Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$
<i>ICT Levy - Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$
<i>First aid equipment/Welfare Contribution Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$</b>

<b>Tax deductible contributions</b>	
<b><i>Building fund.</i></b> <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted</i>	\$

**Library fund** A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchase and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource Eg: \$50, \$100/\$200 any amount is gratefully accepted

### Educational items for students to own

The school recommends you purchase from *Ka-Ka Kids* for your child to individually own and use.  
List already received from school.

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

Beaumaris 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year, payable on Compass

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
School magazine/ yearbook (Available to order on QKR! later in the year).	TBA
School camps – Year 3 – Year 6	TBA
Year 5 & 6 Interschool sports program	Pay as you go
Excursion to be scheduled (estimated: \$120.00)	Pay as you go
<b>Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>\$</b>

### Financial Support for Families

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

- CSEF -the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (Form available from the office)
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities, please contact our Business manager, Catherine Lamb on 9589 2619 so we can personalise for you.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: *Catherine Lamb* on Ph: 03 95892619 | Email: [catherine.lamb@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:catherine.lamb@education.vic.gov.au)

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 240.00
Other Contributions	(Non-tax deductible) \$
	(Tax-deductible) \$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Pay as you go
<b>Total</b>	\$

#### **Payment methods**

*2023 Payments can be made on QKR! App (preferred method), Eftpos, Visa, Mastercard or BPAY. Direct deposit can be arranged, please contact the school office for details.*

#### **Refunds**

*Parent 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 Payments 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) 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.