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ONWARD AND UPWARD

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Osborne Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning in 2026. We would like to advise you of Osborne Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

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's 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 deliver a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences as well as enjoyable and safe buildings and grounds. Past, present, and future students have and will benefit from the contributions families make to the school. Examples are outlined in the following table.

Curriculum and Extra Curricula	Playground	Buildings
• Well-resourced specialist programs for Art, Music, PE, STEM and LOTE • Substantially resourced Mathematics room which includes hand on activities, games, etc. • Extensive library books • Individual Class and Year level Take Home Reader libraries • Lunchtime clubs • Interactive TVs in all classrooms • Whole school Yoga device program • Class sets of headphones • Kitchen program • Garden program • Team uniforms to represent OPS during interschool sport • Enhanced digital learning opportunities • Fibre update to ensure faster Wi-Fi and internet • iPad in music and foundation • Update Promethean Interactive TVs • Daily review individual student packs	• Reseeding the oval • Oval irrigation and soft fall • Blue Volleyball court • Blue Basketball court • Play Pods • Fencing program to secure the school • Bike Shed • Outdoor seating • Balance Garden • Colourful and fun line marking on asphalt • Undercover seating • Multiple outdoor stages • Designated Foundation playground and sandpit • Designated Year 1 playground • Multiple playgrounds around the oval • Soccer and football goals • Shade sails over OSHC outdoor area • Gym floors • Concrete near the storage shed	• Refurbishment of whole school student furniture • Air-conditioning in all classrooms • Additional toilet block above entitlement • On-going maintenance program • Designated Instrumental rooms • Outdoor Art room • Contribution to the roof over Year 2 and 3 classrooms • Plastering the new Middle-School building • Fixed gym roof leaks • Acoustic panelling throughout the school • Update quicksmart room • New tables in Year 3 • New digital sign • Update lights around school • Basketball ring upgrade • Refurb of external walls on portables • New secure fencing along back of oval

In 2026 Osborne Primary School, with the support of parents, will continue to enhance the curriculum and extra curricula activities and continue to enhance our outdoor areas.

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

Yours sincerely,

Brett Miller
Principal

Rachael Crosbie
School Council President

We work best when we work together

Financial Support for Families

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

- Uniforms Second Hand Uniform Shop
- Uniforms State Schools' Relief
- Camps, Sports, Excursions Fund (CSEF)

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

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Curriculum Contributions –Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum.	**Amount**
Years 5-6 classroom consumables, materials & equipment, STEM 3D printer filament to support and enrich the classroom: • Mathematics • English • Wellbeing • Digital Technology – access to Yogas and devices • Visual Art • Performing Arts • Science • Problem Solvers • Languages (Indonesian) • Sports	$125
Other Contributions – For non-curriculum items and activities	**Amount**
Playgrounds maintenance and improvements and First Aid	$38
Building Fund Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. A tax-deductible voluntary contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. In previous years families have generally donated around $45	$45 Tax-deductible
Suggested Total for curriculum and other contributions and building fund	**$208**

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Child's Name	
Child's Current Grade	

2026 Parent Payment Request Form

Please return this page by Tuesday 3rd December

Payment methods

Payment Method Option 1: Payment is accepted via Credit, Debit Card, Direct Transfer via Compass				
Compass	Log into Compass for payment details to directly pay into the school bank account.			
Debit Card	Please visit the office between 8:15am-4:15pm to pay via Eftpos			
Credit Card	Please Charge my credit card $.....	Name on Card: _____		
	Credit Card Number	____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____		
	Expiry Date	_____ / _____	Security Code	____ ____ ____
Payment Method Option 2:				
Please contact the school office if you would like an alternative payment timeline, for instance, if you would prefer to contribute in February 2026.				

2026 Parent Payment: Year 5-6 **(please specify each amount)**	**Totals**
Curriculum Contributions ($125)	$
Other Contributions ($38)	$
Building Fund ($45)	$
Total	$

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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.