

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Langwarrin Park Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Langwarrin Park's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

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 ongoing 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 provide a high quality and inclusive learning environment for all students at Langwarrin Park Primary School. Our school prides itself with providing a comprehensive and engaging curriculum. Our Physical Education, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Music and Auslan programs are highly valued by our school community and provides all our students with the opportunity to build on their creativity and pursue their passions. Digital technologies play a vital role with engaging students in their learning. We have invested considerably in our school's infrastructure and technical support to ensure teachers can use different school owned devices in their classrooms.

Student wellbeing is also a key priority at Langwarrin Park Primary School. We have a whole school approach to student wellbeing through our Langwarrin THRIVE Positive Education Network and our teachers utilise a range of resources in their classroom to enhance student wellbeing.

We are very fortunate as a school to have recently re-developed playground spaces for all our students. In addition to these playgrounds, we have a well-maintained synthetic oval, basketball courts, hockey courts and indoor swimming pool.

Our school is very proud of its facilities and not only are they used by the school community, but also the wider Langwarrin community. Facilities such as our school gym, music rooms, performing art studios, art rooms and library, provide a stimulating learning environment for all our teachers and students.

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

Yours sincerely, Mr Richard Barren Principal Langwarrin Park Primary School

Mrs Melanie Schmidt School Council President Langwarrin Park Primary School



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<b>Grade 5 Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount or Nominated Amount	Please tick for your Contribution Items
Literacy Resources		
• Critical Literacy Resources (Reciprocal reading book sets, take home readers, dictionaries etc.)	\$10.00	
Numeracy Resources		
• Class sets for vital numeracy manipulatives (MAB, Playing Cards, Trundle wheels, counters, protractors etc.)	\$5.70	
Inquiry Learning Resources		
<ul> <li>Art and Craft Supplies (including paper, glitter, paints, and cardboard)</li> <li>Purchasing of inquiry and science resources</li> <li>Take home Projects</li> </ul>	\$27.50	
Physical Education Resources		
Sport equipment and replacement	4- 70	
Music Resources	\$5.70	
Maintenance and repair of musical instruments		
Auslan Resources	\$5.70	
Auslan Program resources		
Wellbeing Resource	\$5.70	
LPPS THRIVE Wellbeing Curriculum Book - Diary		
<u>General Curriculum Resources</u>	\$15.50	
Grade 5 Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials		
	\$27.50	
Grade 5 Online Subscriptions		
Literacy Pro- Reading Comprehension Diagnostic Tracking Tool \$16	\$26.00	
Mathletics \$10		



Digital Technologies		
<ul> <li>Provision and upkeep of school devices, digital technology resources and infrastructure- maintenance of servers</li> </ul>	\$10.90	
Total	\$140.20	
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount or Nominated Amount	Please tick for your Other Contribution items
• Students and Parent Communication Tool- Compass Suggested amount \$10.40 or your nominated amount. Thank you.	\$10.40	
• Sports Affiliation Suggested amount \$5.20 or your nominated amount. Thank you.	\$ 5.20	
Grounds Facilities and Maintenance Suggested amount \$20.50 or your nominated amount. Thank you.	\$20.50	
Total Amount	\$36.10	

### Educational items for students to own - Booklist

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Campion for your child to individually own and use.

### https://order.campion.com.au/?school-code=JBJDTD4R

#### **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities**

Langwarrin Park Primary School offers a range of items and activities (camps, excursions and incursions, swimming and instrumental program), that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. Currently these are provided on a user-pays basis using Qkr and moving forward to Compass in 2024.

#### **Financial Support for Families**

Langwarrin 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 (CSEF)
- State School Relief
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• Community Support Organisations: Savers Plus Brotherhood St Laurence

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

Ms Deb Haddow- Assistant Principal (Welfare and Wellbeing) Ph: 03 9775 7533 | Email: <u>langwarrin.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u>

### Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$140.20
Other Contributions	\$ 36.10
Total	\$176.30

### Payment methods

Payments can be made via Qkr (our preferred payment method) or calling the Finance office and making a confidential credit card payment over the phone. Phone 9775 7533 and dial 2 for the Finance Office.



Please go to the App Store or google play and download the Qkr app onto your device.

### 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 Payment 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 standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.

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• 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

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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.



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