



AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Excellence Through Endeavour"

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Respect, Personal Best, Resilience, Cooperation

2nd November, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

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

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfill 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 and resources we can offer. For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview on the back of this letter.

Please complete one form for EACH of your students/children. Note: CSEF payments are \$125.00 per year, per eligible student. If you are eligible to receive CSEF, you can use this to make payments to Extra-Curricular Items and Activities.

Forms have also been emailed to families as a fillable PDF if this is easier to complete.

Forms are due back to school by Friday 8th December 2023. If the PDF form is used please save the PDF (for each child) and email back to the school at: axedale.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Payment is not required at this time, just an indication of commitment.

Payment can be made via the Compass App, in person at the office with cash or eftpos, or using BPay or Direct Deposit into the school bank account. Please contact the office if you need any further information or banking details.

Please note if families want to make payment for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities this can only be done via the office, BPay or Direct Deposit. Charges won't show on the Compass App until the Event is occurring.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Corrina Hartland
Principal
Axedale Primary School

Sonya Browne
President School Council
Axedale Primary School

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.