

Friday October 27th 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Eaglehawk North Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Eaglehawk North Primary School'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 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.

Eaglehawk North Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

In line with the Department's Parent Payment Policy the following information is provided as follows:

Booklist items will be supplied by Eaglehawk Authorised Newsagency and will be collected from Eaglehawk North PS on Wednesday January 24th 2024 between 8.30am and 5.30pm.

Payment of these items must be paid in full at this time to Eaglehawk Authorised Newsagency. Booklist items can be purchased elsewhere if preferred.

Included with this documentation will be the 2024 Booklist and Curriculum and Extra-Curricular Contributions for 2024.

Please complete this paperwork and return to the school by Friday December 1st 2023 so the school can prepare accordingly.

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

Yours sincerely,

Jason O'Neill
Principal

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Online Subscriptions	
Essential Assessment Online Numeracy/Literacy	\$ 16
Reading Eggs	\$16
Voluntary ICT Contribution	\$ 50
Voluntary Curriculum Contribution	\$ 60
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
At this stage Eaglehawk North Primary School will not use this item.	
Total Amount	\$ 142

Educational items for students to own

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

Please complete the booklist form and return it to school by Friday December 1st 2023.

Please note that these items must be paid in full to Eaglehawk Authorised Newsagency at booklist pick up on Wednesday January 24th 2024 at Eaglehawk North PS between 8.30am and 5.30pm.

Payment is available via EFTPOS or cash on the day.

Payment can also be made via direct deposit prior to pick up day to the following bank account:

Account Name Rose Rena P/L

BSB 013533 Account Number 325712268

The booklist items can also be purchased elsewhere if preferred.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Eaglehawk North Primary School offers a range of items and activities 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.

Students who were unable to use their Excursion and Sports Contributions will have their contribution rolled into 2024. This will be adjusted on receipt of their 2024 Contributions paperwork.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	
<i>Excursions and Performances</i>	\$ 50	
<i>Sport Activities</i>	\$ 30	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$ 80.00

Financial Support for Families

Eaglehawk North 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 applications will be completed at booklist pick up on Wednesday January 24th 2024.

- Parent Payment Plans on request

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

Jason O'Neill

Principal

Ph: 03 54468366

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 142.00
Other Contributions	\$ 0.00
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$ 80.00

Payment methods

EFTPOS and Cash

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.
- 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.