



Mornington Park Primary School

Mainstream Grade 5 2026

Dear parent/guardian,

Mornington Park Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Mornington Park 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 is 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 high quality programs and specific subject materials and equipment for: English, Mathematics, Science, Outdoor Program, Music, Inquiry, Language and PE;*
- *Maintain and develop the school grounds;*
- *Ensure the upkeep of our computer devices to enhance learning opportunities;*
- *Maintain sufficient class sets of books for students to develop their reading skills;*
- *Provide hands on maths equipment i.e.: measuring materials for teaching purposes;*
- *Facilitate Literacy and Mathematics online digital subscriptions;*
- *Arrange for individual student supplies and class bulk supplies;*
- *Without your contributions, many of these things may not be possible.*

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

Yours sincerely,

Kath Lord

Principal



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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment \$(70)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Outdoor Education (\$14)</i>• <i>STEM (\$28)</i>• <i>LOTE (\$5)</i>• <i>Sports – equipment (\$10)</i>	\$127
<i>Mathletics</i>	\$28
<i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$25
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$180

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Senral</i>	\$35
<i>Essential Assessments</i>	\$21
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$10
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$10
Total Other Contributions	\$76

Tax deductible contributions	
<i>Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure (Suggested - \$50).</i>	\$

Financial Support for Families

Mornington 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
- Centre Pay Payments
- Local Community supports
- State school's relief support available for uniforms/footwear/calcutators/textbooks

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

Ph: 03 59 75 4011 | Email: mornington.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Morningside Park Primary School

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Total

Category	Totals	Parent to select
Curriculum Contributions	\$180	
Other Contributions	\$76	
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$0	
Total	\$256	

Payment methods

Parents will be permitted to make payments in instalments and be provided with several methods of making payment arrangements including, cash, Bpay and eftpos. Parents are able to enter into confidential payment arrangements by contacting the Business Manager 59754011 or morningside.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds for extra curricula activities, 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.

Student's Name _____

Parents signature _____

Must be returned by the 28th November 2025

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.