

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Brighton Beach Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the **2022 Brighton Beach Primary School Voluntary Financial Contributions.**

State 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.

Your choices in paying the **Curriculum Contributions** and **Other Contributions** enable the rich and diverse learning programs that are on offer at BBPS. Please know these contributions make a huge difference to our school.

In addition, the Building and Library Funds contribute to the ongoing improvements we make to the learning spaces and the constant upgrades we do to our facilities. These two contributions are tax deductible.

Your generous support in 2021 has allowed us to do:

- The renovation and refurbishment of the library including a complete fit out of new furniture
- Furnish the STEM Room (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)
- The upgrades to the Year 3-6 classrooms and shared learning spaces (acoustic wall panelling, new carpet tiles, painting)
- A much-needed upgrade to bathroom wet areas in the CLC (flooring)
- The ongoing maintenance to our extensive gardens & grounds.

In particular, we thank you for all your involvement that supports fundraising or volunteering your time at the school. This is what makes our school, a community. In post COVID non restrictions, we look forward to welcoming you back.

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

Yours sincerely,

Beverley May PRINCIPAL



Yr1&2 Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
 Consumables, materials & equipment Classroom consumables, materials & equipment Specialist consumables, materials & equipment Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials Online Subscriptions Literacy Planet Mathletics Wushka Resilience Program / Digital Journals Smart Spelling Acer-Reading, Spelling, Writing & Maths Twinkl Storybox Maths 300 	\$163
Yr1&2 Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Computer, Technology and Support	\$100
First aid and health and wellbeing	\$55
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$45
Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure.	\$200
Library fund . A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource.	\$90
Total Amount (Curriculum & Other Contributions)	\$653

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from KaKa Supplies for your child to individually own and use. To order please follow these steps -

• Visit: <u>www.booklistsbbps.com</u>

• Go to: PURCHASE BOOKLISTS in menu heading

• Enter: **bbps0888** in the Guest Area

- Select the pack(s) you require for the 2022 School year
- Enter the **student's full name** and then add pack to the cart
- Proceed to checkout and complete personal and payment details
- An order confirmation will be sent to your email address



Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Brighton Beach 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.

Yr1&2 Extra-Curricular Items and Activities. These are provided on a user-pays basis throughout the year. Payment and consent will be required prior to each event occurring.	Amount	Purchase
Optional Year1&2 excursions, incursion, swimming program to be scheduled in 2022. (User pay basis) Payment & consent will be required prior to the event ie -Scienceworks -Melbourne Zoo -Life Ed -Project Rocket	\$TBC	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$TBC

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Parent Payment Plan.

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

Sue Klein / Bev May

Ph: 03 9591 0888 | Email: sue.klein@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$ 163
Other Contributions	\$ 490
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$ TBA prior to event

Payment methods

- Compass Course & Confirmation (Preferred)



- Payment Plan (Please contact Sue Klein for options)
- Bpay or Credit Card

Refunds

BBPS responds to refunds, when circumstances change, on a case-by-case basis. Where refunds are deemed reasonable, and if the school has not incurred a cost on behalf of your child, refunds are made on a pro-rata basis.

If the school has incurred a cost, the school will act reasonably and take into consideration the Financial Help for Families Policy and relevant arrangements, including support for families experiencing hardship.

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.