



Brighton Beach Primary School

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 **2023 Brighton Beach Primary School Parent Payment Contributions**.

State Schools provide all students with free instruction to fulfil the requirements of the Victorian Curriculum. Your contributions ensure, 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 and equipment. These two contributions are tax deductible.

Your generous support in 2022 has allowed us to do the following:

- To support the completed renovation and refurbishment of the library including a complete fit out of new furniture
- Support the completion of the Turf replacing all old asphalt areas.
- Support the furnishing of the STEAM room and classroom storage upgrades
- The ongoing maintenance to our extensive gardens & grounds.

For 2023, based on parental feedback, we will return to the lump sum format of requesting payment for all Extra Curriculum Items & Activities i.e. incursions, excursions, swimming and sport. This will eliminate the ongoing requests for payment of each event throughout the year.

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 the face of constant changes regarding COVID guidelines, we look forward to our quest to build better pathways for our kids.

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

Yours sincerely,

Beverley May

PRINCIPAL

P-2 Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom consumables, materials & equipment Specialist consumables, materials & equipment Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials Online Subscriptions – Education Programs such as -Literacy Planet, Mathletics, Resilience Program / Digital Journals & Storybox, Tinkle 	\$180
P-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.	\$50

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.

P-2 Extra-Curricular Items and Activities. (USER PAY)	Amount
Optional excursions, incursion, swimming & Sporting programs include the following, to be scheduled in 2023. These are a user pay event and payment & consent is required to attend: P-1 -Dance Incursion -Melbourne Museum -Scienceworks -Kaboom -Swimming Program (P-2)	 \$ 77 \$100
Year 2 -CERES -Kaboom -Tiddalic the Frog -Scienceworks Stargazing (Sleepover) -Swimming Program	 \$155 \$100

In summary:

Year 2	\$885.00	Curriculum contributions, other contributions, tax deductible contributions and extra curriculum items and activities
Year 1	\$807.00	Curriculum contributions, other contributions, tax deductible contributions and extra curriculum items and activities
Prep	\$807.00	Curriculum contributions, other contributions, tax deductible contributions and extra curriculum items and activities

Educational items for students to own

In the link below 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: www.booklistsbbps.com
- Go to: **PURCHASE BOOKLISTS** in menu heading
- Enter: **bbps0888** in the Guest Area
- Select the pack(s) you require for the 2023 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

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 (CSEF)
- 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

Payment methods

- Compass Course & Confirmation (Preferred)
- Payment Plan (Please contact Sue Klein for options)
- Bpay (if you are not paying by Compass please call the office for new Bpay details)
- 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 will be considered on a pro-rata basis.

Payment

Once again thank you for your support with these contributions. Access to Compass to make payment will be available early January 2023. If you meet the criteria for CSEF funding please email Sue on brighton.beachps@education.vic.gov.au as early as possible with a copy of your Concession Card.

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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.