



Moonee Ponds West Primary School

Parent Payments and Voluntary Contributions 2020

Dear Families,

Below is an outline of parent payments and voluntary contributions for 2020. These costs have been approved by the School Council and meet the Department of Education and Training (DET) guidelines.

Part 1: Essential School Items

- Materials Payment – All shared classroom materials
- Excursions Payment – One-off payment covers all class excursions and incursions
- Sports Payment – For students in Years 5 and 6 (transport to sporting events during the year)
- Athletics – Online program for all Foundation to Year 6 students. Athletics supports student learning of the Victorian Curriculum (at home and school). We require every student to enrol.

Part 2: School Programs

- **Information and Communication Technology (ICT) payment**

In this digital age, our aim is to enable IT access to all MPWPS students anywhere at any time – integrating IT equipment within all learning areas – to enhance student learning. The income collected from this payment funds our yearly ICT budget, which purchases or leases equipment, software, Wi-Fi access and technical support. These funds also allow us to repair and maintain our current equipment. The ICT payment is divided into two categories – *one child* and *two or more children* families.

- **Sex Education Co-payment**

‘Living and Growing’ education for students in Years 3 to 6. This program is provided by Sex Education Australian (SEA).

- **Student Accident Insurance**

Student insurance cover for accidents at school.

Part 3: Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) Payment for Concession Card Holders

Families (or temporary foster parents) holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply for the CSEF payment. This consists of \$100 to cover the Excursions Payment and \$25 towards the Sports Payment. The Sports Payment is for students in Years 5 and 6 only, but families can choose to use the \$25 towards Camp if they have students in Years 3 to 6. DET makes payment directly to the school for each eligible student. CSEF Application Forms can be collected from and returned to the School Administration Office – please bring your Concession Card for validation.

Part 4: Voluntary Contributions

All parents are expected to pay for Essential School Items (Part 1) and School Programs (Part 2). We also suggest parent contributions of \$100 for each voluntary category (Library Fund, Building Fund – General Grounds and Gardens, and our 2020 Project – Sensory Garden Development) which will enable us to further enrich the school experience for all students.

Parents who wish to discuss payment arrangements or who are having difficulty paying at this time should contact Sandra Monaghan in the office to discuss alternative arrangements or a payment plan.

We thank you in anticipation of your support.

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Moonee Ponds West Primary School Council