

# Tinternvale Primary School

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## **IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ** **2023 Family Contribution Year Prep**

Dear Parents,

Tinternvale Primary School would like to advise you of our voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. At Tinternvale Primary School we are able to provide an excellent learning environment for students as a result of the significant level of support we receive from our community. We gratefully acknowledge the assistance provided for grounds maintenance, fundraising events, canteen and classroom programs.

To offer these outstanding programs and facilities the school requires additional support over and above what the State Government and Department of Education and Training provides. The school receives funding from the Government to cover operating costs such as staff salaries, electricity, gas, water, telephone, basic cleaning, essential maintenance, repairs, some teaching materials and equipment. The funding of these items consumes a major portion of the yearly grant and consequently we are reliant on locally raised funds to enable the school's curriculum to continue to be effectively delivered.

**The school does not receive any funding for individual student or class group requisites and consumables, nor for optional materials or services provided at the school, or additional equipment and facilities.** Subsequently the school is reliant on family contributions to assist with meeting the cost of these items in addition to the costs of excursions, camps, uniforms and programs provided by outside specialists.

The enclosed Family Contribution notice provides a summary of expenses and costs for your child's stationery and curriculum requirements in 2023.

Instalment payments are available via Compass or at the office,

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

We thank you in anticipation of your support in ensuring that we continue to provide an excellent learning environment for your children.

**TANYA HULBERT**  
**School Council President**

**ROD KRETCHMER**  
**School Council Treasurer**

**JOANNE WOOD**  
**Principal**

## TINTERNVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### PREP (FOUNDATION)

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<b>Student Book Pack</b> Includes all stationery items (see attached list) Headphones  Reading Bags	\$95.00 \$10.00  \$10.00
<b>Consumable materials and supplies for specialist and classroom programs</b> (English, Maths, ICT, Visual Arts, Library, Physical Education, Lote, Science) Includes paints, textiles, glitter, cardboard, craft paper, clay, cover paper, project books, coloured paper, award stickers, laminating pouches, masking tape, glue, whiteboard markers, playdough.	\$135.00
<b>Digital Learning Subscriptions</b> Essential Assessment, Wushka and iPad apps	\$50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>

	Tax deductible	Suggested voluntary Contribution per family	Amount
Buildings/Grounds Maintenance	No	eg \$25	
Library (purchase of new books and materials)	No	eg \$25	
		TOTAL	\$

#### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Tinternvale Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the curriculum. The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

However, as requested by our parent community, an estimate of extra costs per term, will be communicated with families to assist with future planning.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Camps/Excursions/Incursions/Sport (To be charge on PAYG basis)	TBA
Swimming Program	TBA

# 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.