



Alexandra Primary School

Respect Care Integrity Achieve

Principal: Vicky Draper

October 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Alexandra Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Alexandra Primary School's parent payment arrangements for 2021.

Please find the fee schedules for Years Prep, 1-2, 3, 4 and 5-6 attached. Please complete the appropriate form and return it to the school with payment before Wednesday 27th January 2021.

Alexandra Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Alexandra Primary School understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- The Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF)
- State Schools Relief
- Payment Plans

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Lynne Savage, Business Manager, on 57721 006 or alexandra.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

You can also contact Vicky Draper, Principal for a confidential discussion on 57721 006 or via email.

PAYMENT METHODS

We offer a variety of payment methods to assist our families:

- BPay – individual reference number is on your Family Statement
- Direct Deposit – bank account details are found on your Family Statement
- Cash / Cheque

The Camps Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) is available for eligible families. Application forms are attached for new families or newly eligible families. Parents who currently receive the CSEF and who remain eligible will automatically have their 2021 application processed.

If you have any questions about the 2021 Parent Payments, or the CSEF, please see Lynne Savage in the office.

For further information on the Department of Education's Parent Payments Policy a one page overview is attached or go to <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy>.

Vicky Draper
Principal

Beth Lloyd
School Council President



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ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS

Bookpacks

Attached is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. The provision of essential stationery items for your child – there will be some variation between book packs, depending on which year level your child is in for 2021. *'Essential educational items and curriculum requirements'* are those which parents/guardians pay the school to provide or may provide themselves (if appropriate).

Online Subscriptions

This fee covers the cost per student to access to Mappen, Reading Eggs and Mathletics on a daily basis in the classroom, and also from home.

Art & Japanese

These levies include the cost of bulk stationery/consumable supplies for all year levels.

OPTIONAL ITEMS

Alexandra Primary School offers a range of optional items & activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child.

Some optional charges will arise during the year. For example:

- Camps & sleepovers (Prep – Year 6)
- Outdoor Education Activity Days (Year 3 – 6)
- Mountain Bike Program (Year 4, 5 & 6)
- Cross Country Skiing Program (Year 4, 5 & 6)
- Interschool sports (Year 3 – 6)
- Cultural Visits Program: Incursions & Life Education Van (Prep – Year 6)
- Excursions (Prep – Year 6)
- Photos (Prep – Year 6)
- Grade 6 Celebration & Graduation (Year 6)

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Alexandra Primary School continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school.

You can choose to make a voluntary Tax Deductable contribution that goes towards our Building & Library Funds or alternatively you can make a voluntary contribution to either our IT Upgrade or Sustainability Program.

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

Payment Options

School Council is offering the following payment options for 2021:

- Payment in full to be received by Wednesday 27th January 2021 (Cash, Cheque or BPay)
- Parent Payment Arrangements (Termly or other personalised arrangements to be discussed with the school)

NOTE:

The book pack list is your guide on the everyday items that your child will use in the classroom.

You may choose to purchase these items through the school or provide your own. If you choose to provide your own you *must* consult with the school so that your child has the correct items. There may be some items or services you cannot purchase yourself.
