## WERRIBEE PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 649



2 Deutgam Street, Werribee VIC 3030

## 2026 PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS – Year 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Werribee Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Werribee Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, 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, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school, this support has allowed us to organise and coordinate the best possible programs outside of the traditional teaching and learning classroom structure. These financial contributions assist us with the purchasing of art, digitech and physical education equipment and resources. This in turn supports these programs to be exemplary, together with our exceptional classroom teaching of the established subjects such as Reading, Writing and Maths.

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

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Sarah Dawe

Yours sincerely,

David Quinn

Principal School Council President



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<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<ul> <li>Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</li> <li>Classroom – cover paper, craft items, post it notes, folders, display books, etc</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, clay, wood, beading etc.</li> <li>Science – ingredients, books, shared classroom materials</li> <li>Mathematics – numeracy materials, maths kits</li> <li>English – class sets, novels, readers</li> <li>Physical Education and Sport – awards, materials, equipment</li> <li>Library – books, subscriptions</li> </ul>	60.00
Online Subscriptions	
<ul> <li>Reading Eggs         Online reading program that helps children learn to read. Hundreds of online reading lessons, phonics games and books for ages 2-13     </li> </ul>	24.24
Elastik     Data analysis and curriculum platform	12.50
<ul> <li>Sunshine Online         Two vast libraries offer quality texts for children who are just beginning to read, right through to those who are developing fluency and independence.     </li> </ul>	2.90
<ul> <li>Read Write Inc</li> <li>Provides a structured and systematic approach to teaching literacy.</li> </ul>	10.19
<ul> <li>Essential Assessment         A comprehensive Assessment toolkit to improve the teaching, learning and assessment of Numeracy and Literacy.     </li> </ul>	20.00
Jamf Pro     Apple device management software.	7.55
Headphones	14.00
ICT Devices and Infrastructure	50.00
Printing and photocopying of learning materials	12.00
Total Curriculum Contributions	213.38



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Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria affiliation	2.00
Student and parent communication tools – XUNO	40.00
Wellbeing support and consumables	25.00
School grounds maintenance and improvements	30.00
First aid and hygiene costs	15.00
Total Other Contributions	112.00

#### Educational items for students to own

A list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Paperchase Office National for your child to individually own and use has been sent home with your child. If you do order these items, please order and pay online by 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2025 in order for your child to receive their pack for the first day of Term 1. Orders placed after the due date may not be processed until early February.

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

Werribee 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. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Other optional excursions / incursions / activities to be scheduled	ТВА

#### **Financial Support for Families**

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State Schools' Relief
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Lyn Boddington in the front office on 9742 6659 or <a href="https://www.werribee.ps@education.vic.gov.au">werribee.ps@education.vic.gov.au</a>



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#### **Payment methods**

Booklists: credit/debit card visa and Mastercard only – paid directly to the supplier.

All other payments are to be made using the XUNO parent portal in 2026.

#### **Refunds**

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred, the Department's Parent Payments Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

## 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 requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- 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.