WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL

Parent Payment Arrangements – Secondary (BRC & CRC)

October 2025

Dear parent/carers

Warringa Park School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Warringa Park 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. We want to thank you for all your support. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Warringa Park School is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth)* with the result that any donations made by you will be tax deductible. To be tax deductible, your donation needs to be made voluntarily. We have suggested an amount to be contributed under "Curriculum Contributions" and "Other Contributions" below, but please feel free to contribute an alternative amount. Amounts paid under "Extra-Curricular Items and Activities" are not donations and are not tax deductible.

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

Yours sincerely,

Ashwini Sharma
Principal

Maricel Soriano
School Council President

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Curriculum Contributions – suggested tax-deductible contributions for items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	**Amount**
classroom consumables, materials & equipment • Shared Classroom Stationary, paper, posters, Sensory items • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper etc. • STEAM – classroom consumables and equipment • Maths – Numeracy blocks • Sports – equipment • Performing Arts – music equipment, costumes, props.	$130
Online Subscriptions • Sunshine Online • Starfall • iPad App Store Apps	$10
ICT Devices – provision/upkeep of devices	$20
Communication tools – Assistive technology devices, aided language displays, managing behaviour displays	$20
School events/celebrations/experiences/Incursions	$70
Total tax-deductible Curriculum Contributions	**$***[parent to complete]*

Other Contributions – suggested tax-deductible contributions for non-curriculum items and activities	**Amount**
Student & Parent Communication Tools – Compass/Seesaw	$30
First Aid and Hygiene equipment	$25
Use and upkeep of specialised equipment & facilities (Hoists, therapy equipment)	$25
Student Yearbook	$20
Total tax-deductible Other Contributions	**$***[parent to complete]*

Educational items for students to own

Warringa Park School provides all resources to students to access the curriculum and does not expect families to purchase any items from third parties

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

Warringa Park 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
Camps and excursions to be scheduled (Cost TBA)	$TBA
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	$TBA

Financial Support for Families

Warringa Park School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all Parents/Carers. We understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

● The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports, and excursions. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card, a student over 16 years who is considered a mature minor and holds a valid concession card (Such as youth allowance Health Care Card or Disability Support Pension Card are eligible to apply. Eligible Primary school students receive a payment of $400. These payments are made directly to the school.

● State Schools Relief (SSR)

● Establishing individual/flexible payment plans for extra-curricular items and activities. a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Chris Molivas Ph: 03 *9749 5774* | Email: *Christopher.Molivas@education.vic.gov.au*

Total

Category	Total recommended amount	Total payment
Total tax-deductible contributions	$350	$*[parent to complete]*
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	$TBA	$*[parent to complete]*
Total	**$350**	***$[parent to complete]***

Payment methods

Payment Methods Payments will be accepted via Compass Portal; access will be provided or EFTPOS payment at the Office.

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and are 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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information. If the school decides to provide a refund, then parents/carers need to agree and advise the school where the refund should be paid via a refund reimbursement request form. For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached or visit the website directly. Parent Payments: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy

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	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.