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2025 PARENT PAYMENT POLICY

LONGWARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Longwarry Primary School is currently planning for 2025 and would like to take this opportunity to advise you of the voluntary financial contributions schedule for next year. This is aligned with the new guidelines from the Department of Education.

Enclosed you will find the 2025 contribution summary which includes items that will support your child's learning. The ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

It is important to note that Longwarry Primary School will no longer be supplying 'book packs' for families to purchase but instead, we recommend families purchase the book list items directly from www.Officeworks.com.au (or visit your local Officeworks store) to ensure consistency with supplies amongst students. Delivery or Click and Collect options are also available with Officeworks.

The Department of Education guidelines now mandate that schools are UNABLE to provide parents with a statement of fees. With this in mind, parents are asked to please review the recommended voluntary financial contributions schedule attached and complete the below slip for your child/ren

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached
Or refer to https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy

Yours sincerely,

Anne Welsh
Acting Principal

Lyn Pitman
School Council President

2025 VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE
LONGWARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

ITEM	Annual Amount per STUDENT
CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS – ***items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum*** **Consumables, materials and equipment** • Art – paint, crayons, glitter, coloured paper, glue, cards, material • Digitech- provision of iPad's and devices from the shared classroom sets • Mathematics- numeracy blocks, calculators, text books, maths kits • English- student book boxes, class sets, novels, readers • Sports – equipment, ribbons, medals • Library- books • Cooking- ingredients	$70
Subscriptions and Programs • Dibbles - Reading • Little Learners Love Litracy • Heggarty - Phonics • Essential Assessment – Numeracy • Maths 300	$50
TOTAL AMOUNT 'CURRCULUM' CONTRIBUTIONS	**$120**
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS – ***for non-curriculum items and activities*** • Student wellbeing programs • First aid equipment • School grounds maintenance and improvements (mowing, maintenance and repairs)	$20
TOTAL AMOUNT 'OTHER' CONTRIBUTIONS	**$20**
EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – ***items and activities that enhance or broaden the experience for students. These are provided on a user-pay basis.*** • School Camp for years 3-6 • Interschool sports, cross country, athletics • Incursions and excursions	User pay basis
TOTAL AMOUNT 'EXTRA-CURRICULAR' CONTRIBUTIONS	User pay basis

Student's Name	Year Level	Curriculum Contribution	Other Contribution	Total Student Contributions
		$	$	$
		$	$	$
		$	$	$

NOTE: PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE OFFICE
WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS - DIRECT DEPOSIT, CASH OR EFTPOS (WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT BPAY)

Direct Deposit Information:
Account Name: Longwarry Primary School
BSB: **313140** Account Number: **12066775** Reference: **Students Name**

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY 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	**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.