

### **Eagle Point Primary School**

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Dear parent/guardians of students in Grade 5 and 6 2023,

Eagle Point Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of a change to how we will be purchasing 2023 classroom consumables. This year you will be securing your students books from Schoolworks Supplies in Bairnsdale.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum 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's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Eagle Point Primary School can provide a very high level of support thanks to families paying their fees, allowing us to maintain the resources available for the students in the school. This has allowed us to provide reading materials, library books, additional reading assistance for students, extra teacher aide support, functional digital devices including laptops and iPads, furniture for classrooms and open learning spaces, storage for classroom libraries and to maintain school buildings and grounds to a high-quality standard with all students benefiting from these improvements.

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

Yours sincerely,	
Anna Duncan	Jamie Williamson
Principal	School Council President



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Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$216
Other Contributions	\$21
Total	\$237
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – Swimming(Term 4)	\$135
Grade 5/6 Camp	Costs to be confirmed

#### **Payment methods**

Direct to Schoolworks Supplies
 147 Macleod Street
 Bairnsdale, Vic, 3875

#### 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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.

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

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

• the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Grade 5/6	
Education items to use and own	
Exercise books	\$126
• Stationery	
Student headphones	
Purchasing of supplies and resources	
Art and craft	\$30
English and Mathematics resources	
• Cooking	
Online Subscriptions	
Essential Assessment \$15	\$32
PAT Assessment \$13	732
• Soundwaves \$4.00	
Performances and incursions including Life Education	\$28
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria membership and Sporting excursions	\$21
Total Amount	\$237

#### **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities**

Eagle Point Primary School offers a range of 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.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Swimming	\$135
Grade 5/6 Camp	\$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.