



Ringwood Heights PS

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MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

Principal: Mrs Kim Bride

Dear parent/guardian,

Ringwood Heights Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Ringwood Heights voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

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 you 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.

In 2021, this support allowed us to enhance digital learning experiences for students with the purchase of 75 Chrome Books for the senior students and Large TV screens for each of the Junior classes (6). In 2022 our plan is to update iPads for our Junior School students. The ongoing provision of resources that support our library/art hub has been prioritised as has the school grounds – specifically the central area. Whilst the basketball court was completed with a federal grant, the synthetic turf and future projects will be planned according to the community funds raised. We thank every parent for these contributions as they make a huge difference to being able to further develop our teaching and learning provision and play spaces.

The environment and resources that we enjoy today represent the contributions made by our parent/carer community over many years. Parent/Carers voluntary contributions make a significant difference to the quality of our programs. This financial support ensures that we can continue to provide the excellent range of facilities and resources for your children. Your support allows us to:-

- Provide high quality programs and specific subject materials and equipment for: English, Mathematics, science Art Music, Inquiry, Language and PE;
- Maintain and develop the school grounds;
- Ensure the upkeep of our computer devices to enhance learning opportunities;
- Maintain sufficient class sets of books for students to develop their reading skills;
- Provide hands on maths equipment i.e.: measuring materials for teaching purposes;
- Deliver a range of sporting equipment;
- Arrange for individual student supplies and class bulk supplies;
- Offer effective First Aid for all students.

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

Yours sincerely,

Kim Bride

Principal

Student Name: **Level** **2022**

A:	Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
	This is to enhance all Curriculum areas with shared classroom consumables and our specialist programs, as well as student photocopying and printing costs. At Ringwood Heights Primary School we are fortunate to be able to offer specialist programs in Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Music, Physical Education, LOTE, Digital Technologies and the use of a well-resourced library. We consider these to be vital programs which enhance the educational opportunities of every student at Ringwood Heights Primary school.	\$230
	A: Total Curriculum Contributions	\$.....
B:	Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
	<p>STUDENT WELFARE PROGRAM</p> <p>Student welfare programs and resources which support our approach to student wellbeing through Positive Education</p>	\$25
	<p>SCHOOL GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS</p> <p>This contribution provides funds to maintain and improve the physical surroundings of the school grounds and playground equipment. The Facilities and Grounds Sub Committee of School Council oversees annual projects in relation to the school grounds.</p>	Eg \$35, \$70, \$100 \$.....
	<p>PARENTS' CLUB SUBSCRIPTION</p> <p>Annual membership of \$2.00 per Family.</p>	\$2
	B: Total Other Contributions	\$.....
C:	Tax Deductible Contributions	Amount
	<p>LIBRARY FUND</p> <p>To be used for the purchase of books – fiction, nonfiction, magazines, electronic resources and other resources for the Library, E Library and Literacy Program.</p>	Eg \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100
	C: Tax Deductible Contributions	\$.....
Total Amount (A, B & C)		\$

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Ringwood Heights Primary 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 in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate this when you receive the activities schedule each term.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Excursions, swimming, sport etc will be requested as Term Payments	TBA	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$ TBA

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Instalment options

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

Kay Gardner – Business Manager

Ph: 03 9870 3050 | Email: ringwood.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$ TBA

Refunds

Our refund policy can be found on the Ringwood Heights Primary School website.

PAYMENT METHODS

PLEASE FILL IN THE FOLLOWING FAMILY PAYMENT FORM (one per family) AND RETURN TO SCHOOL WITH PAYMENT BY MONDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2022

Category The payments consist of	
Curriculum Contributions – Student Names	\$
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Other Contributions - total family B)	\$

Method of payment

I paid by Direct Deposit on \$

(BSB: 633-000 Account No: 149108144 & please email ringwood.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with the details)

OR

Please find attached my **full payment** of \$

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORITY

Card Number:

Card Expiry Date/ Visa MasterCard

Card Holder's Name:.....

Cardholder's Signature: Date

I authorise RHPS to process \$ Being our total payment for 2022

OR Flexible Payment Arrangement below

I authorise RHPS to process \$ as the 1st Instalment week commencing 31st January 2022

I authorise RHPS to process \$..... as the 2nd Instalment in the week commencing 14th February 2022

I authorise RHPS to process \$..... as the 3rd Instalment in the week commencing 7th March 2022

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.
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- 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.