



## Kunyang Primary School Year 6 Parent Contributions 2023

Dear Kunyang Families,

Kunyang Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Kunyang Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. At Kunyang we all work together to ensure our whole school community is the best it can be.

We all play our part! Our students come to school ready to participate in class and have a passion and thirst for learning. Our staff work hard at what is important, developing positive relationships with student, families and colleagues and moving in and out of inquiry and explicit teaching and learning. Our families do everything possible to ensure students come to school ready physically and mentally to learn.

Whilst the Department of Education funds our staffing and the majority of resources we require, there are some things that we value that we rely on your help with financially.

Please find attached Kunyang Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

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

**PLEASE NOTE PAYMENT OF 2023 FEES IS NOT DUE UNTIL FEBRUARY 2023**

**WE REQUEST YOU DO NOT MAKE PAYMENT UNTIL NEXT YEAR**

Yours sincerely,

Kim Jackson, Principal

Mercil Lariba, School Council President





| <b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Amount</b>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prep Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</li> <li>• Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper etc.</li> <li>• STEM – materials for experiments, upkeep of the chicken coop</li> <li>• French – worksheets, materials</li> </ul> | \$111.00        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Subscriptions<br/>Mathletics<br/>Smart Spelling<br/>Essential Assessment</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                               | \$42.50         |
| <b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Amount</b>   |
| ICT maintenance of school owned devices and ICT support hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | \$50            |
| School grounds maintenance and improvements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | \$50            |
| <b>Suggested Total Amount</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>\$253.50</b> |

## Contributions Payment:

| <b>Category</b>           | <b>Amount</b> |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Curriculum Contributions  | \$153.50      |
| Other Contributions       | \$100.00      |
| <b>Total Contribution</b> | <b>\$</b>     |

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

Kunyang Primary School offers a range of 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. Activities will be posted on Compass for permission and payment as they occur throughout the year.

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## Financial Support for Families

Kunyang 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 (SSR)

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

Eleanor Nuttall, Business Manager

Ph: 03 9787 6102 Email: [eleanor.nuttall@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:eleanor.nuttall@education.vic.gov.au)

## Payment methods

Parent contributions towards the requested payments is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Kunyang Primary School. Payments can be made through our Compass portal.

Alternatively Cash, EFTPOS and cheque payments can be made directly to the school office.

## 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 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.