



# Clarinda Primary School

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Clarinda Primary School curriculum contributions for the full 2025 year are \$360.  
Due date for payment is Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025.**

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<b>Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classroom – pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing and scrap books, document wallet, eraser, display books, pencil case, ruler, reader cover, sharpener, highlighters, post it notes, scissors.</li> <li>Art – paint, foam, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, scrap book, pipe cleaners, modelling clay, PVA glue, kinder squares, feathers, pom poms, cellophane</li> <li>Mathematics – numeracy blocks, calculators, clocks, counters, A4 &amp; A3 paper</li> <li>STEM – headsets, 3D printing materials, robotics equipment.</li> <li>Sports – equipment, bibs, bags, dice, lacrosse/basketball/football/tennis balls</li> <li>Music – instruments, books, pens, and folders</li> <li>Greek Language – Cultural Day, white &amp; coloured paper, general stationery items</li> <li>Library – books, subscriptions</li> </ul>	\$270
Online Subscriptions - Reading Eggs, Maths Online, Essential Assessment	\$30
ICT Devices – provision of devices leased for students	\$60
<b>Total Amount (for the full 2025 school year)</b>	<b>\$360</b>

Clarinda Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the voluntary financial contributions for 2025. Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian Curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, contributions significantly enhance the learning experience and allow the school to offer a wide range of programs beyond the traditional classroom.

Financial contributions help fund:

- Art, Music, STEM (Robotics, etc), LOTE (Greek) and Physical Education equipment and resources.
- Programs such as the Art Show, School Concert, Student Choir, Junior & Senior Rock Bands, Greek Dancing, Chess Club, Clarinda Singas, Mindfulness Club, and Welfare programs like School Chaplain, 'Play is the Way' and Breakfast Club.

These contributions ensure a balanced, enriched, and engaging education for students. The school also purchase bulk stationery materials, ensuring that every student has access to the same quality resources.

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

Welcome to the family



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

Clarinda Primary 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. Information, permission forms, and payment requests are provided for these activities when they occur.

**Financial Support for Families**

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

- Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund
- Instalments of \$90 per term via Compass recurring contributions
- State Schools Relief

Yours Sincerely,

  
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 Melissa Doolan - School Council President

  
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 Robert Mallett – Principal



**Payment methods**

- Compass Pay
- Cash
- BPAY (please contact the school to receive your individual family BPAY code)
- Debit or credit card (by phone, in person or please complete below)

I authorise \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be charged to my Visa / MasterCard

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

<b>NAME (as displayed on card)</b>												
<b>CARD NO:</b>												
<b>SIGNATURE</b>												
<b>VISA</b>		<b>M'CARD</b>		<b>EXPIRY</b>	_____ <b>Month</b> _____ <b>Year</b>	<b>CVV</b>						

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact Gaby Robinson Phone: 9544 3231 or Email: [clarinda.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:clarinda.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

# 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

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.