

## **Moriac Primary School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Moriac PS is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Moriac Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

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.

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

Yours sincerely,

Melissa Maccora

Katie Chealuck

Principal

School Council President



<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Prep-2	3-6
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment		
<ul> <li>Classroom resources – i.e. Books, Pens, pencils, Crayons, Textas, glue, scissors</li> </ul>	\$80	\$70
Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured	\$10	\$10
<ul><li>paper</li><li>Science – chemicals and other consumables</li></ul>	\$20	\$20
<ul> <li>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</li> </ul>	\$15	\$10
Device Management Program iPads	\$10	\$10
Digital & Online Learning Subscriptions	\$5	\$5
School Sports Victoria membership	\$5	\$6
First aid equipment	\$10	\$10
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$20	\$20
Total Amount	\$175	\$161

#### Educational items for students to own

For students in Years Prep- 2 you do not need to purchase any other equipment for your child.

For students in Years 3-6, the school is part of a BYOD program where students are required to bring an iPad to school to support their learning and this is at a cost to families. JB HiFi partners with Moriac PS to offer families a student discount and information about this is passed onto families in Term 4 the year prior to Year 3.

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

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

These items will need to be paid for throughout the year as they arise.

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

Moriac PS understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Payment Plan for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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

Jessica - Business Manager

Ph: 03 5266 1298 | Email: moriac.ps@education.vic.gov.au



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#### **Payment methods**

We are a cashless school - Payments can be made via EFTPOS or COMPASS PAY.

#### **Refunds**

Full refund shall be payable to the student when:

 No cost is incurred by Moriac Primary School, provided that Moriac Primary School deems the student's withdrawal was unavoidable e.g. illness (a medical certificate may be requested).

Partial refund shall be payable to the student withdrawing when:

• The student's withdrawal has incurred non-refundable expenses relating to the withdrawal e.g. bus costs or prepaid entry fees. In such cases, the refund will be the amount paid by the student, less the expenses incurred by Moriac Primary School as a result of the withdrawal.

No refund will be payable to the student withdrawing when:

- Moriac Primary School has incurred the full costs of the camp or excursion.
- The principal will have the capacity to view special circumstances on an individual basis. This decision will be binding.



### **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.



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