



CHRISTMAS HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Christmas Hills Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Christmas Hills Primary School 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 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.

Within our school this Voluntary financial contribution allows us to:

- Offer a wide range of subjects and special curriculum experiences which cater for the individual needs and interests of our students;
- Provide high quality programs and specific subject materials and equipment for: English, Mathematics, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Inquiry, AUSLAN and HPE;
- Bush School Program;
- STEM;
- Provide quality equipment and coaching experiences as part of our Health Physical Education including interschool sport programs;
- Ensure the upkeep and provision of our 1:1 device program (iPads/laptops) which enhances learning opportunities;
- Ongoing grounds and building maintenance
- Support students social development through planned play experiences
- Support students emotional regulation through the provision of sensory spaces and equipment in all learning spaces
- Facilitate Literacy and Numeracy online digital subscriptions;
- Arrange for individual student supplies and class bulk supplies;
- Provide First Aid supplies and training to support the safety and wellbeing of our students;
- Support community groups with access to our school facilities.

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

Yours sincerely,

Maria Parks
Principal

Jacqui Bell
School Council President

**2024 VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE
PREP – YEAR 6**

Curriculum Contributions – items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum throughout the year.	Amount (per student)
<p>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom - pens, pencils, texta's, glue sticks, writing, graph and scrap books, highlighters, post-it notes, folders, display books, scissors, rulers • Art — paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, wood, beading • Science/STEM — ingredients, books, shared classroom materials • Mathematics numeracy blocks, calculators, text books, stationary, maths • English — book boxes, class sets, novels, readers • Sports — equipment, ribbons, materials • Music instruments, books, pens, markers and folders • Library — books, subscriptions • Headsets 	\$ 150.00
<p>Online Subscriptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essential Assessment • Student parent communication tool – Sentral 	\$25.00
<p>ICT & STEM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STEM equipment and devices • Provision of iPads and devices from the shared classroom sets 	\$10.00
<p>First Aid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-bacterial wipes, band aids, masks, tissues, sanitizer 	\$15.00
Total Amount	\$200.00
Bush School	\$50.00
Total Amount	\$250.00

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) to eligible Health Care Card holders
- Individual payment plans
- State schools' relief

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

Maria Parks, Principal on 9730 1238

Your details:		
Student's Name:	Year Level	\$
Curriculum Contributions		\$
Other Contributions		\$
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities		\$
TOTAL		\$

Payment Methods

- Cash
- Direct debit from your debit or credit card (preferred method please)
- Direct Deposit : Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 063 856
A/C: 1001 9622

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.