 Family Payment Arrangements 2022

Grade Prep/1/2

Dear Parent/Carer

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

Nicholson Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all families.

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.

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 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.

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

Curriculum contribution items – parents have the option to purchase independently or through the school in a bulk order which will save on costs. They will then be assigned to the classes where the teacher will be responsible for distributing the materials to the students. This will enable the teacher to better manage the supplies and prevent loss of materials.

### Financial Support for Families

Nicholson Primary Schoolunderstands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

* the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund for those who meet the criteria (CSEF)
* we can offer instalments/payment plans

***If you are experiencing any financial difficulty with payment, or would like to confidentially discuss alternative payment arrangements please contact:***

***Sue Clague (Principal) Sally Markum (Acting Business Manager)***

**Ph: 03 *5156 8220*  Email: *nicholson.ps@education.vic.gov.au***

### Payment Methods

**Cash** - either in person or by placing money in an envelope delivered to the office.

**BPAY** – each family has their own individual reference number, if unknown please contact the office.

**Direct Credit by EFT** – Please contact the school for Bank Account Details

**Centrepay** – for those families who receive a payment from Centrelink, a payment plan can be set up to have regular amounts debited from your payment and credited against your family statement. Payments can be for any amount and as often as families wish to pay.

For further information on the Department’s Parent Payment Policy please visit the following:

https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy

Yours sincerely,

*Sue Clague Jacqui Telford*

*Principal School Council President*

## Fee schedule

Please find the itemised list of support items and activities that help deliver fundamental curriculum or subject learning for your child.

### Curriculum Contributions

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|  | Amount |
| My Useful Word Book |  |
| Staedtler LumoColour Whiteboard Markers Bullet Black |  |
| Staedtler 1285 Jumbo Triangular 2B Learner pencils |  |
| Faber Castell Connector Pens Assorted Colours Pk 12 |  |
| Faber Castell Classic Colours Coloured Pencils Pk 12 |  |
| Faber Castell Eraser PVC Free Large with Sleeve |  |
| Maped Shaker Sharpener 2hole |  |
| Wooden Ruler 30cm CM/MM |  |
| Marbig Polypick Wallet Foolscap |  |
| Writer Premium A4 64p 18mm Dotted Thirds & Red Margin |  |
| Writer Premium Large 18mm Dotted Thirds & Red Margin |  |
| Best Buddies Mini Scrapbook 160 X 240mm 100gsm 64p |  |
| Best Buddies Scrapbook 335 X 245mm 100gsm 64p |  |
| EC Ergonomic Pencil Grip |  |
| Scissors |  |
| Kluwell Home Reading Diary Yellow |  |
| UHU Glue Stick 40g |  |
| Sound Waves Text Book |  |
| Handwriting Text Book |  |
| **CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS LISTED ABOVE** | **$80.00** |
| **CONSUMABLES** |  |
| Consumables for Integrated Studies eg. Cultural Studies, STEM | $20.00 |
| Consumables for Literacy and Numeracy eg. cover paper, kinder squares, tape | $25.00 |
| Consumables for Art, eg clay, materials, paint, oil pastels, cardboard, etc | $35.00 |
| **SUBSCRIPTIONS** |  |
| Student Insurance (This is purchased as a whole school policy). | $10.00 |
| MARC Van | $20.00 |
| Digital Learning – Reading Eggs Subscription | $20.00 |
| **TOTAL** | **$210.00** |

### Extra-Curricular items and Activities

Nicholson Primary Schooloffers 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 for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

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| Items and Activities | Amount |
| *Camps and excursions as scheduled throughout 2022. The cost of these excursions will be advised throughout the year.* | *To be advised* |
| Swimming | Estimate $150.00 |
| Life Ed Van Incursion | Estimate $15.00 |
| Junior Excursion | Estimate $40.00 |
| *Other optional excursions to be scheduled* |  |
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**PLEASE NOTE:**

**\*Additional programs are considered part of the curriculum however, should you choose not pay for them your child will not be able to participate.**

**Other Contributions**

Nicholson Primary School continues to welcome contributions towards supporting the school’s operation and function more generally e.g Parent communication tools and school building enhancements

