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PARENT PAYMENTS 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Kiewa Valley Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Kiewa Valley Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements 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 is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

We have done our best to provide you with close approximation for all costs associated with teaching and learning in 2026 to assist you in forward planning and budgeting.

Within our school this support has allowed us to build and fit out our new bike shed.

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

Yours sincerely,

Kelli Jacobsen

PRINCIPAL

Jen Johnston

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT



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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment (\$90 F-2, \$110 year 3-6)</i> • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$25) • Science – chemicals (\$10) • Mathematics – numeracy blocks (\$10)	\$135 - F to 2 \$155 - 3 to 6
<i>Online subscriptions</i> • Compass (\$25) per student • Essential Assessment (\$20.00) per student	\$45.00
<i>Swimming and water safety program (for entry and transport only)– Term 4 each year (\$100 approx.) Will be entered Term 3 2025. This is a 5 day intense program run over 3 weeks for each learning area doing 1 week of the 3.</i>	\$TBA
<i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$10
<i>Whole school events</i> • Athletics carnival - entry and transport (\$15 approx.) Will be charged at the time of event, Term1 2025.	\$TBA
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$190.00 - F-2 \$210.00 – 3-6

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>School Sports Victoria affiliation</i>	\$5
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$10
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements – (Any amount desired)</i>	\$
<i>Schools Assistance Fund (Any amount desired)</i>	\$
Total Other Contributions	\$



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

Kiewa Valley 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Year Foundation to 2 will participate in a day excursion only. Year 3/4 Camp – Valley Homestead –March 2026 (between \$300 and \$320) Year 5/6 Camp – Canberra – October 2026 (between \$500 and \$600)	\$ TBA
Year 5/6 – Tallangatta Secondary College Science and transition days x 4 @ \$10.00 each Year 5/6 – Cluster Transition activity days x 2 @ \$10.00 each approx.. Year 3/4 Excursion Semester 1 and Semester 2 2026 @\$25.00 approx. per excursion. F/1/2 Excursion Semester 1 and Semester 2 2026 @ \$15.00 approx. per excursion. Year 5-6 Winter Sports Term 3 2026 @ \$15.00 approx. F to 6 - 4 x Incursions per year (1 per term), @ \$10.00 approx. District and Division sporting events will be charged to eligible students at the time of event. These charges will include event hire and transport if applicable. These amounts are estimates on previous years and may have minimal changes at the time of the event.	\$TBA
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$TBA

Financial Support for Families

Kiewa Valley 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)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities



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

Kelli Jacobsen

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Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$190.00 F-2 \$210.00 3-6
Other Contributions (Non-tax deductible) (Buildings, School Assistance Fund, School Counselling Services, First Aid supplies, Schools Sports Victoria)	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$
Total	\$

Payment methods

Credit/Debit Card, Bank Deposit by arrangement with the school office. Payment through Compass is the preferred method of payment. Regular small payments directly to School Bank Account for any charges is also an option. Please speak to Lisa in the 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 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.

