

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2023

GRADE 1 AND GRADE 2

Dear Parents and Guardians

Meadows Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Meadows Primary School's parent payment arrangements for 2023.

Please find the fee schedule for *Grade 1 and 2* attached.

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

The cost of parent payments remain unchanged at **\$120** per child. As an incentive, if payments are made in full or a payment plan is entered into by the end of term 1 2023, families will receive a 20% discount.

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- CentrePay
- Payment options spread over the year

Payment Methods

CentrePay

Eftpos and/or Credit Card (in person or over the phone)

Cash

Refunds

Refunds can be arranged if a family leaves the school. Please see the office staff if this occurs.

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

Yours sincerely,



Anthony Potesta

Principal



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School Council President

FEE SCHEDULE

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items for your child.

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. All items will be provided by the school with supplies remaining at school and distributed to students as needed:

Essential Student Learning Items	Qty
Ruler	1
Mini scrapbooks	2
Display books	2
Document wallets	2
Pencil Case	1
Grey lead pencils	4
Coloured pencils	2
Sharpener	1
Packs of twisted crayons	2
Packs of textas	1
Pack of highlighters	1
Scissors	1
Glue sticks	4
Scrapbook	4
Chair Bag	1
Mathletics	1

Specialists

Paint, Pens, Pencils, Crayons, Craft materials and Scrapbooks for Visual Art and STEM, Performing Arts and PE

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

Carol Williams
Ph: 9309 2573

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 standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- 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.