



Mount Pleasant Road Primary School & Kindergarten (Nunawading)

2021 Essential Student Learning Items, Optional Items & Voluntary Contributions Parent Payment Arrangements 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

Mount Pleasant Road Primary School (MPRPS) is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of MPRPS parent payment arrangements for 2021.

The preferred method of payment is through Sentral. On your account you will notice four payment instalments, if you would like to make a full payment please select **all four options**. If you wish to pay by instalments select the first option only, a reminder will be sent out on Sentral when the next instalment is due. Payment by credit card, cash and eftpos is still available at Reception.

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

Schools are funded to deliver a quality education based on the standard curriculum. School Council is very proud of the quality of education and extensive programs we offer to meet the learning needs, interests and capabilities of all students. Parent payments are a valuable contribution to enhancing and enriching the educational experience of all children. These payments allow schools to offer enhanced programs and opportunities which their school communities expect them to offer. Schools decide on the learning program they offer based on the needs and aspirations of the school community. You can be asked to pay for Essential Student Learning Items that the school deems essential to student learning in the standard curriculum including:

- **items which students take temporary or permanent possession of**, including text books, reading material, work sheets, student stationery and software subscriptions
- materials for learning and teaching where students **construct, consume or take possession of the finished articles** (for example, art materials, gardening and cooking, construction)
- **activities that all students are expected to attend** (e.g. Life Education and School Production)

At the present time, the only Voluntary Contributions we ask from parents are for a **Building Fund and Library Fund**. These are contributions that have been endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) and are tax deductible. The funds go towards the purchase of books for your child to read at home and at school and to maintain and upgrade facilities.

Optional Items are items or services that are offered in addition to the standard curriculum. These items are provided on a user-pays basis and individual notices will be sent home as these events occur. Examples of these items include: school photos, fees for guest speakers, extra-curricular programs or activities such as instrumental music tuition, Wise Ones, I.C.E., excursions, incursions, sport competitions and camps.

Below is the outline of MPRPS student's costs for the 2021 school year. These monies contribute to the resources for your child's education for the whole year. Classroom items (student consumables) are purchased in bulk which significantly reduces the cost and means that every student is using the same materials in the classroom and feel that they belong.

Students' supplies will be distributed at the beginning of the year to allow items to be named/covered in the first week of school. During the year we will also provide your child/children with art supplies, paper (writing, plain, copy, cover), textbooks, science, maths and technology equipment and consumables, online programs, musical instruments for Performing Arts classes, physical education equipment and sports uniforms for specific sports played against other schools.

Financial Support for Families

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

- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Payment Plans

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

Sue Moore

Ph: 03 9878 1730

Email: sue.moore@education.vic.gov.au

Payment Methods

- Sentral
- Credit Card
- Eftpos
- Cash

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see the link below.

Yours sincerely,

Kim Streitberger
Principal

Rebecca Smith
School Council President

Fee schedule

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. MPRPS also continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for 2021.

Please complete this form and return to the school by Monday 1st February 2021 so the school can prepare accordingly.

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum.

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount
Individual Book Pack & Stationery <ul style="list-style-type: none">Scrapbooks & exercise booksPens & pencilsTextas & highlightersBook boxesLibrary bag	\$ 55.00
Consumable materials for Guided Inquiry Learning, including art based activities & projects. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Craft Paper & construction materials for projects.	\$100.00
Onsite Learning Subscriptions – <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mathletics F-4, Reading Eggs, Digital Licence, Mangahigh 5-6.	\$ 30.00
<i>Specialist Programs –</i> Performing Arts. L.O.T.E. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Craft paper	\$ 10.00
Physical Education. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ribbons & awards	\$ 10.00
Student Garden Program <ul style="list-style-type: none">Seedlings, plants and maintaining growthCooking base ingredients – flour, sugar, oil, eggs, Bi-carb powder, etc.	\$ 20.00
Visual Arts. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Craft paper, glitter, paint, cardboard etc.	\$80.00
Nutrition Program. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Daily fruit and vegetables in classroom	\$30.00
TOTAL	\$335.00

Optional Items

MPRPS offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. You will receive notification and cost for these in advance of each event, which is balanced across the school year.

Voluntary Contributions

MPRPS continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school.

You can make a voluntary contribution that goes towards our Library and or Building Fund.

The 2020 monies from these funds was used to update classroom libraries with diverse texts and contributed to the new web playground.

Voluntary Contribution	Tax deductible?	Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family	Amount
These Voluntary Contributions help us maintain the school and support the library.			
Building Fund – Maintenance and additions to school buildings and playgrounds.	Yes	\$55.00	
Library Fund – Purchasing books for Library and classrooms for reading at home and school.	Yes	\$35.00	

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

Parent Payment Charges

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount	\$335.00
Optional Items	Amount	\$0.00
Voluntary Contribution	Amount	\$90.00
	TOTAL	\$425.00

Note: All students are requested to provide the following:

Years foundation – 6	Art Smock
	Library Bag
	Box Tissues
Years 3-6	Pencil Case