



Tyabb Railway Station Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Tyabb Railway Station Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Tyabb Railway Station Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026. Parent contribution options are now available via the Compass portal dashboard on the right hand side under the heading of 'Payments Centre'.

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 financial support of our families ensures that our small school can offer the best possible education and opportunities for all our students. For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please see the one page overview attached.

We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

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Yours sincerely,

EMMA SLATER

Principal

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General - Classroom consumables, stationary, materials & equipment for all subjects • Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper • Online Subscriptions • Sports – equipment 	\$200.00
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$200.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$50.00
TOTAL	<u>\$250.00</u>

Financial Support for Families

Tyabb Railway Station 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)
- State Schools Relief (SSR) - Uniforms
- Payment plans

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements that best suits your family please contact:

Mandy Storen (Business Manager)

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Payment methods

Preferred payment method is via the Compass portal, however the school also offers payments via EFTPOS and Bpay facilities. Please see the office for your personal Bpay reference number.

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.