Dear parent/guardian,

Yering Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Yering Primary School’s voluntary financial contributions for 2023

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 is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to provide special curriculum experiences, enhanced learning opportunities and to update I.T. devices.

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

Yours sincerely,

Deanna Cole Christine Topma

Principal School Council President

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| **Curriculum Contributions** - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum | Amount |
| Classroom consumables, materials & equipment* Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, clay ($10)
* Science – science materials ($5)
* Mathematics – classroom equipment ($5)
* English – class sets ($5)
* Japanese – class materials ($5)
 | $*30* |
| Online subscriptions* Maths Seeds/Mathletics ($25)
* Reading Eggs ($28)
* Essential Assessment] ($17)
* Soundwaves ($6)
 | $76 |
| ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets | $4 |
| Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials | $2 |
| **Curriculum Contributions – Prep & Years 1**  | **$112** |
| **Educational items for students to own** |
| Book Pack Prep & Year 1– itemised list attached | $48.00 |
| **Total Curriculum Contributions**  | **$160** |

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

Yering 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.

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| **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities** | **Amount** |
| Excursions/Incursions to be scheduled  | $TBA |
| Swimming programme associated costs; *(Tuition is free of charge to families)* | $TBA |
| **Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities** | **$TBA** |

**Total Contributions**

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| Category | Totals |
| Curriculum Contributions *including Book Pack* | $160 |
| Other Contributions – toward technology refresh | $30 |
| **Total** | **$190** |

### Payment methods

### Direct Deposit BSB: 313 140 Account Number: 12084920 Ref: Your Surname

### Financial Support for Families

Yering 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

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

Deanna Cole or Janet Orchard *or* Ph: 03 9739 1451

Email: yering.ps@education.vic.gov.au

### 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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

**Book Pack Prep & Year 1 2023**

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| 2 | 24mm dotted thirds lined exercise books 64 pages 70gsm 335mm x 240mm |
| 8 | Scrapbooks (335 x 240mm 100gsm) |
| 1 | Coloured markers (pack of 12) |
| 1 | Soundwaves student book Prep |
| 1 | Foolscap Document Wallet 240gsm  |
| 1 | Faber Castell Connector whiteboard marker (pack of 4) |
| 1 | Staedtler Noris coloured pencils (pack of 12) |
| 2 | Glue stick 35g |
| 1 | Eraser large |
| 1 | Staedtler tradition graphite pencils HB 3 pack  |
| **Please note:** * This booklist can be purchased by you, but it is very important for all items to be as listed above with correct line measurements, etc.

If you choose to have the school make the purchases on your behalf, it will GST free. |

**parent PAYMENTS policy**

**ONE PAGE OVERVIEW**

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|  | 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.
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|  | PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTSSchools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

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| Curriculum ContributionsVoluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum. | Other ContributionsVoluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school’s functions and objectives. | Extra-Curricular Items and ActivitiesItems 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).
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|  | 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.
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|  | 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.
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