



# Rawson Primary School

PS No. 5389

## FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Parents,

Rawson Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our financial contribution arrangement for 2024.

**I would like to inform you that in 2024 there will be *no costs* for school families.**

What this means for you is that all student fees, excursions/incursion, school photos, swimming/sporting programs and camps will be free of charge.

All families are welcomed to financially contribute if they would like.

To do so, complete the attached payment schedule and return to school in January 2024. Alternatively, families can make a financial contribution anytime throughout the 2024 school year.

*2024 contributions are not required to be paid in 2023*, and we ask that you hold off until early 2024 to make it easier for us to complete our financial end of year requirements.

### Financial Support for Families

Even though there will be no costs to families in 2024, there is support available at school level for future planning.

Rawson Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and we can offer support options including:

- Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF)
- Centrepay
- Individual payment plans

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, contact the school on 03 5165 3443.

### Payment Methods

Cash, Cheques, deductions via Centrepay or BPAY

For more information, refer to the attached Financial Contribution Schedule and DET Parent Payment Policy.

Yours Sincerely,

**Tristan Mether**

Principal



# Parent Payment Schedule\_2024

Student/Family Name: .....

**Curriculum Contributions** – items & activities that students use, or participate in to access the Curriculum

**Other Contribution** – for non-curriculum items & activities

**Extra-Curricular Items & Activities** – items & 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.

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS – GL74408	AMOUNT
<p>Stationery items that are essential for the classroom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• exercise books, assorted</li> <li>• scrapbooks</li> <li>• erasers/sharpeners/ruler</li> <li>• textbooks, assorted</li> <li>• art consumables</li> <li>• 1:1 Laptop access</li> <li>• pens/pencils/textas</li> <li>• glue sticks</li> <li>• reading diary</li> <li>• online learning programs</li> <li>• science consumables</li> </ul>	<p><b>FREE for families in 2024</b></p> <p>\$130.00 Per Student</p>
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS – GL74410	
<p>Rawson Primary School provide facilities and programs beyond the funding allocated by the Department of Education (DET). We request that families consider acknowledging the value of these by contributing to the funding to ensure that these facilities and programs are always available to our students.</p> <p>All funds contributed will be allocated for specific purpose for which they are intended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voluntary Contributions towards extra classroom materials, school events including excursions/incursions and sporting events.</li> <li>• Grounds &amp; Building Maintenance</li> <li>• Student Welfare</li> </ul>	<p><b>FREE for families in 2024</b></p> <p>\$50 Per Student</p>
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES – GL74409	
<p>In addition, there will be opportunities throughout the year to participate in sporting events, swimming program, incursions, excursions and camps, which will incur a charge per student. <i>These are optional activities and provided on a user-pay basis.</i></p> <p>Some excursions however are important for curriculum purposes and all students are encouraged to attend.</p>	<p><b>FREE for families in 2024</b></p> <p><i>Prices to be advised</i></p>

➤ Please complete payment section over page.



## Parent Payment Schedule\_2024

### Payment Details -

Amount being Paid:

Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities (TBA at time of activity)	\$
<b>Total payment amount</b>	<b>\$</b>

Payment Method (please circle): CASH    CHEQUE    CENTREPAY    BPAY

# 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.