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11/11/2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Altona North Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our school's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

As per Department of Education 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.

In the past, the generous financial support of our families has allowed us to provide:

- consistency in the range of school materials so all students are afforded the same advantages for their learning, e.g. exercise books, pens, pencils, work books, diaries, journals, headphones
- on-going access to a range of online learning programs for all students so no child is disadvantaged, e.g. Matific, Reading Eggs, Sunshine Online
- well-resourced Specialist programs in Art, Physical Education (P.E.), Performing Arts, that engage all students in extra-curricular activities
- S.T.E.M. (Science Technology Engineering & Maths - which includes our successful Robotics Program)
- Provide and maintain our environmental studies

Altona North Primary School takes pride in all its achievements both in and out of the classroom, and to maintain the level and quality of resources to support the learning opportunities for all students, we are counting on the continued generosity of our families in supporting this 'new' approach to school contributions.

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

Yours sincerely,

Lee Blunt  
**Assistant Principal**

Jes Law  
**School Council President**



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<b>Prep Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
Year Prep classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal Stationary (\$55.79)</li> <li>• Art - paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$20)</li> <li>• Sports - equipment (\$20)</li> <li>• Performing Arts - materials, instruments (\$20)</li> <li>• STEM - materials and equipment (\$20)</li> <li>• Mathematics - numeracy blocks (\$20)</li> <li>• English - book boxes (\$30)</li> <li>• Library Bag (\$10)</li> <li>• Goal Books (\$5)</li> </ul>	\$200.79
Year Prep Online Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matific (\$18)</li> <li>• Sunshine Online (\$10)</li> <li>• Reading Eggs (\$18)</li> </ul>	\$46
Year Prep ICT Devices - provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$35
Year Prep Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$30
Prep Swimming	\$TBA
Prep Incursions/Excursions	\$TBA
<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	<b>Amount</b>
Student wellbeing programs	\$36
First aid equipment	\$10
Tissues	\$5.21
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$363</b>

### **Educational items for students to own**

The voluntary contribution will cover the costs of essential educational items that the school will purchase for all students. This allows all students to have the same brand, quality and necessary quantities of stationery resources, e.g. paper, exercise books, pencils, pens, rulers, glue sticks, scissors, pencil cases, folders, etc.

### **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities**

Altona North Primary School also offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purchase (Please tick)</b>
Prep Excursion (Collingwood Children's Farm / Werribee Zoo)	\$TBA	
<b>Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities</b>		<b>\$</b>

### **Financial Support for Families**

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- Individual payment plans

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

Robyn Gregson (Principal)

**Ph:** 03 9391 4233

**Email:** [altona.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:altona.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Category	Total
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

### Payment methods

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ being payment for 2023 Curriculum Contributions

**OR**

**Direct Deposit** to Altona North Primary School -  
 BSB: 063 571  
 Account Number: 1004 5869  
 (Please include your **child's name** and '**Parent Payment**' in the description)

**OR**

**Credit Card:**     Visa     MasterCard

Card Number:

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_    Amount Paying: \$\_\_\_\_\_

### 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*