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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

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School Council President



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Year 3 Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Year 3 classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Stationary (\$63.50) • Student Diaries (\$12) • Art - paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$20) • Sports - equipment (\$20) • Performing Arts - materials, instruments (\$20) • STEM - materials and equipment (\$20) • Mathematics - numeracy blocks (\$20) • English - book boxes (\$30) 	\$205.50
Year 3 Online Subscriptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matific (\$18) • Sunshine Online (\$10) • Reading Eggs (\$18) 	\$46
Year 3 ICT Devices - provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$35
Year 3 Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$30
Year 3 Swimming	\$TBA
Year 3 Incursions and/or excursions (dates to be confirmed)	\$TBA
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Student wellbeing programs	\$36
First aid equipment	\$10
Tissues	\$5.50
Total Amount	\$368

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 16th December 2022.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Selected Student Sport events e.g. swimming carnival, cross country, etc.	\$TBA	
Optional Year 3-6 Camp	\$TBA	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$

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

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

Payment methods

Child's Name: _____ **2022 Grade:** _____

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