

Parent Payment Arrangements 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Hillsmeade Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Hillsmeade Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

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's 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:

- our wide specialist subject program (including Music, Performing Arts, Mandarin, DigiTech, Media Arts, PMP, and Physical Education),
- significant improvements to the grounds, including the synthetic oval, amphitheatre, senior playground, and soon-to-be upgraded Year 2 playground and Ninja Warrior course

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

Yours sincerely,

Linda Buckeridge – Principal, Hillsmeade Primary School

Megan Shields – President, Hillsmeade Primary School Council

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Online Learning Subscriptions: Mathletics & myON	\$20
Shared Classroom Consumables	\$10
ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$10
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$20
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria membership	\$8
First aid equipment	\$20
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$50
Total Amount	\$138

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use. The school is no longer able to offer book packs supplied by the school.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Hillsmeade Primary School 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.

Financial Support for Families

Hillsmeade 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)
- Payment Plans through Compass
- CentreLink contributions through CentrePay

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

Stewart Johnson – Business Manager

Ph: 03 9704 6313 | Email: Hillsmeade.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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Payment methods

There are a variety of ways you can pay contributions to Hillsmeade Primary School:

- Through Compass: log in to the Compass app and website, and you will be prompted to make payment of contributions
- Through CentreLink (CentrePay): please see the Administration team for an application form
- Through EFTPOS at the counter in the Administration office

Refunds

Refunds are subject to individual circumstances and for particular events. If an event does not proceed we will hold the funds you paid as a credit on your account for subsequent events and other items.

If you would like to enquire about a refund please contact the school Business Manager **Stewart Johnson** on 03 9704 6313.

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).

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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.



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.

2022 Prep Book List

Hi Families –

In 2022 we are unable to sell book packs to families. Instead, you are requested to purchase these books independently and we ask you to send **all items on the list** to school with your child on the first day of the 2022 school year (Monday January 31st).

We have provided descriptions of all specific items and quantities required for each student in each year level. For ease, we have hyperlinked all individual items to Officeworks, making it easy for you to purchase online should you choose, but you can of course obtain these items from any source most convenient for you (Big W, K-mart, Target, Smiggle, etc). We just ask that you match the items as close as possible to those that are listed, particularly the exercise books.

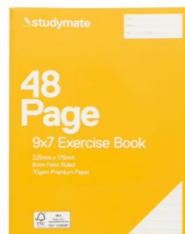
If you have any questions about book packs then please contact the school:

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Tel: 03 9704 6313

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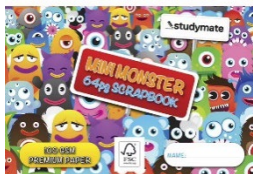
[Small 8mm Ruled Exercise Book + margin 48 Page](#)

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[Large Blank Scrapbook 64 Page](#)

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[Small Scrapbook 64 Page](#)

1



[Artline 210 Fineliner 0.6mm Black](#)

2



[A4 40 Pocket Display Book A4](#)

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[A4 Document Wallet Clear](#)

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[Jumbo Triangular Coloured Pencil 10 Pack](#) **1**



[Twist Crayons 12 pack](#) **1**



[Glue Stick 2 Pack](#) **1**