Parent Payments for 2026 (all year levels)

Dear parent/guardian,

Banum Warrik Primary School is looking forward to a great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Banum Warrik Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements 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.

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

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Potesta
Principal

Daniel McLean
School Council Interim President

Curriculum Contributions (F-6): Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum	Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment • *Visual Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, wood, beading, scissors, erasers, pencils, textas, ribbon, paper, posters* • *Mathematics – numeracy blocks, calculators, stationery, maths kits, paper, posters* • *English – book boxes, guided reading class sets, novels, take home books, paper, posters* • *Sports – equipment, materials, paper, posters* • *Performing Arts – instruments, books, pens, markers, folders, scrapbooks, paper, posters* • *Design and Technology – books classroom shared materials, resources* • *Classroom Stationery ad Supplies – pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing, graph an scrapbooks, highlighters, post-it notes, folders, display books, scissors, rulers, erasers, paper, posters* • *Home reading log*	$45.00
Online subscriptions • *Heggerty Phonemic Awareness* • *Essential Assessment – online activities Literacy* • *Essential Assessment – online activities Numeracy* • *Decodable Readers Australia – online library*	$13.50
ICT & STEM • *STEM equipment and devices e.g robotics, building materials, lego* • *Provision and upkeep of ICT server/system costs* • *Headphones and associated adaptors*	$22.50
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	$4.50
Whole school events • *House Athletics carnival* • *Harmony Day* • *Book Week* • *Maths Day* • *House Cross Country*	$4.50
Total Curriculum Contributions	**$90.00**

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	**Amount**
School Sports Victoria affiliation	$2.50
Student wellbeing programs (Lunchtime Club)	$2.50
First aid and hygiene costs/equipment	$2.50
Sustainability and School grounds mowing, maintenance, and repairs	$2.50
Total Other Contributions	**$10.00**

Please note the total amount for Curriculum Contributions and Other Contributions for 2026 are as follows:
$100 for the first child in family
Discounted amount of $75 for second child in family and
Discounted amount of $50 for every additional child in family thereafter.

Educational items for students to own
Not applicable

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis
Banum Warrik 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.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
School Photos	*The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.*
Optional School camp (selected years only)	
Optional Interschool Sports, Cross Country, and Athletics	
Other optional Incursion and Excursions to be scheduled	
Special Uniform (Year 6)	
Graduation/Yearbook (Year 6)	
Swimming and water safety program	
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	

Financial Support for Families
Banum Warrik 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)
- *State Schools Relief (SSR)*
- *Individual payment plans*

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:
Banum Warrik Primary School Business Manager
Email: Banum.Warrik.PS@education.vic.gov.au

Payment details:	
Student's Name:	**Year Level:**
Contribution Category:	**Totals**
Curriculum Contributions	$
Other Contributions	$
Total	**$**

Payment methods
CompassPay
Cash
Credit/Debit Card
Direct Deposit into the school's bank account
Bpay

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

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 requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.