



2025 Foundation

Dear Parents and Carers,

11 November 2024

Lloyd Street School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and in line with the Department of Education policies, we would like to advise you of Lloyd Street School's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

Parents are asked for separate contributions for; the parent payments listed here paid to the school, and the stationary pack through COS (separate Compass post). For students in year 4 and 5 in 2025, we request a designated laptop be purchased for student use via LWT (separate Compass post).

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 financial support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students in a wide range of contemporary learning environments with inclusive resources and special curriculum experiences.

We want to thank you for all your contributions and support, particularly the voluntary financial contributions which allows us to operate a unique educational program at LSS. The simple reality is many aspects of the school and our student's education is not possible without your support.

In 2024 parent contribution supported:

- Purchase of literacy resources for classroom use
- Increasing resources and support for whole school wellbeing practices and the 'Zen Den'
- Replacement of math's resources focused on teaching fractions
- New Mulch, grounds works and repairs to the existing playgrounds
- Increased regular staffing of first aid spaces to increase consistency and support for students
- Increasing the scope of painting and maintenance works in the main building.

Further, we would like to thank you for fundraising or volunteering your time. Our Fair is the single biggest event, and your contribution and involvement in this and any other event, small or large makes a huge difference to our school. Enhancing the programs and connections we can offer to your children and our community in classroom learning, excursions and special events.



Parent Payments are divided into the following categories:

1. **Curriculum Contributions** - Items and activities that students use, or participate in or have access to within the Curriculum.
2. **Other Contributions** - For non-curriculum items and activities including, compass support, student wellbeing programs, first aid, school magazine.
3. The **tax deductible Building Fund** where families are invited to contribute to building improvements that will enhance the learning environment.
4. The **Library Fund** (currently not tax deductible) which families are invited to contribute to will improve this vital learning resource.

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

Yours sincerely,

John Painter
PRINCIPAL

Matthew Franzi
SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General classroom supplies to support engagement – e.g. Diary, communication bag, cooking ingredients, poster paper, coloured paper, etc • Sports – equipment and maintenance of equipment • Art – purchase of art supplies and resources paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper • LOTE – French resources • Performing Arts Resource 	\$250.00
<i>Online subscriptions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Baccalaureate, Primary Years Programme • Seesaw • Smart Spelling • Purple Mash • Essential Assessment • Nessy • Library 	\$90.00
<i>ICT devices</i> provision of devices from the shared classroom sets & school laboratory	\$50.00
<i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$30.00
<i>Whole school events</i> (user-pays basis)	\$TBA
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$420.00

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Student Communication</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compass to support report writing, parent/guardian communication, student attendance 	\$50.00
<i>Student Wellbeing</i> – enrichment and student support including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First aid staffing contribution for dedicated sick bay staff in peak periods • First aid equipment to treat student and to meet student health needs • Wellbeing Room and resources • Program support ie: Berry ST education model (BSEM), Sexuality education, Zones of Regulation 	\$100.00
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$50
<i>Library Fund</i> supporting this vital literacy resource (<i>Suggested - \$50</i>).	\$50
Total Other Contributions	\$250

Tax deductible contributions <i>[delete this section if your school does not have a tax-deductible fund]</i>	
<i>Building fund.</i> A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure (<i>Suggested - \$150</i>).	\$ <i>[parent to complete]</i>



Educational items for students to own

Lloyd Street School has partnered with COS for year level specific stationary items for your child to individually own and use.

Dedicated Device Program, Lloyd Street School had a (bring your own Device) program for years 4-6 to align with its educational and teaching practices in 2025. We will be partnering with Learning with Technologies.

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

Lloyd Street 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>School camp Grades 3&4, 5, 6</i>	\$ <i>TBA</i>
<i>Swimming Grades 1&2, 3&4</i>	\$ <i>TBA</i>
<i>Triskills - Foundation</i>	\$ <i>TBA</i>
<i>Interschool sports program Grades 5, 6</i>	\$ <i>TBA</i>
<i>Excursions to be scheduled throughout the year</i>	\$ <i>TBA</i>
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$ <i>TBA</i>

Financial Support for Families

Lloyd Street 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)
- Payment plans for Camps, at the time of Camp
- Payment plans for Curriculum and Other Contributions.

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

Ph: 03 [9573 4600] | Email: [Elizabeth.howard@education.vic.gov.au]



Total

Category		Totals
Curriculum Contributions		\$ 420.00
Other Contributions	(Non-tax deductible)	\$ 250.00
	(Tax-deductible)	\$
	[parent to complete]	
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities		\$ TBA
Total		\$ 670.00

Payment methods

Payments for Curriculum and Other Contributions can be made in January when you will be notified, and can pay, via Compass or the Payment Plan dates as follows:

24th Feb (25%) of your total

28th Mar (25%) of your total

26th Apr (25%) of your total

26th May (25%) of your total

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.