December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Lloyd Street School is looking forward to another successful year of teaching and learning and we would like to advise you of your voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

State 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 all students.

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. Further to that we would like to thank you for fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and has enhanced the programs we can offer to our learners.

Within our school, this support has allowed us to offer a wide range of contemporary learning resources, both within and outside the classroom, a broad range of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; with engaging and inclusive learning environments.

Financial Support for Families

We understand that some families may experience financial strain and can offer a range of support options to assist with Camps, Sports, Incursions and Excursions and individual payment plans.

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 and also including foundation events (Pay as you go)
- 3. The Building Fund is (tax deductible) which families are invited to contribute to, 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.

Dates are set for Payment Plan 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

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

Colin Suckling

Ph: 03 9573 4600 | Email: colin.suckling@education.vic.gov.au

Payment method

COMPASS – access via the parent portal

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please refer to the attached overview.

Yours sincerely,

John Painter PRINCIPAL

Matt Baker

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount \$485
 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 Philosophy Resources LOTE – French resources Printing and photocopying of work tasks and learning materials to learn in class and at home Performing Arts Resource 	\$350
Foundation Online Subscriptions Seesaw Smart Spelling Purple Mash Essential Assessment Nessy Library Student Performance Analyser	\$85
Foundation ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets & school laboratory Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	\$50.00 Amount \$115
Foundation Events: Program of Inquiry Incursions and Excursions – Pay as you go Tri-Skills Gymnastics Program - Pay as you go Single Subject Performances & Incursions – Pay as you go (Based on previous years this is estimated to be \$200 - \$250 across the year)	To be paid on Compass
Compass to support report writing, parent/guardian communication, student attendance	\$50
Student Wellbeing Programs	\$20
First aid equipment to treat student and to meet student health needs	\$25
School Magazine	\$20
Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. Suggested contribution \$100. Library fund. There is no contribution for the Library at this time but the school is establishing a tax-deductible Library fund and we would encourage you to consider supporting this vital literacy resource with a tax-deductible donation in 2023. Suggested contribution \$50.	
TOTAL	\$750