**Lorne P-12 College**
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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Please carefully read through the following information and important attached letters regarding Book Lists and Voluntary Financial Contributions for 2026.**

Lorne P-12 College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Lorne P-12 College's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

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. To lessen the burden on finances for families at the end/start of the year Lorne P-12 College will publish contributions through Compass in Term 1 2026. You will be able to make either fortnightly, once a term or a one off payment. We will send out communications later this year for parents to make this choice.

**Lorne P-12 College 2026 book lists are now available for purchase online. https://www.wincschools.com.au/VIC/Lorne/Lorne-P12-College**

Your Access Key: 1AH5E

We want to thank you for all your support, through your financial contributions, fundraising or for volunteering your time. This all makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Kind regards,
Carly Stafford
Principal

| **Curriculum Contributions** - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum | Amount |
|---|---|
| Core Curriculum | $210.00 |
| Technology (Food, Wood, STEM and Music) | $175.00 |
| Booklist Items | $103.67 |
| Essential Assessment - numeracy | $10.00 |
| Student Photocopying | $20.00 |
| **Total Curriculum Contributions** | **$518.67** |

| **Other Contributions -** for non-curriculum items and activities | **Amount** |
|---|---|
| Student Diary | $15.00 |
| Student wellbeing | $15.00 |
| First aid equipment | $5.00 |
| Student ID Card | $5.00 |
| **Total Other Contributions** | **$40.00** |

| **Tax deductible contributions** | |
|---|---|
| **Building fund and Library Fund.**<br>A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure | $<br>*[parent to complete]* |

**Financial Support for Families**

Lorne P-12 College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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

Lyn Coates (Business Manager)
Ph: 03 5289 1585 | Email: lorne.p12.co@education.vic.gov.au

**Total**

| Category | | Total |
|---|---|---|
| Curriculum Contributions | | $518.67 |
| Other Contributions | *(Non-tax deductible)* | $40.00 |
| | *(Tax-deductible)* | $ *[parent to complete]* |
| **Total** | | **$** |

**Payment methods**

- Compass
- Bpay Payments can be accepted (Please contact Eloise in the College Administration Office to obtain your Family Bpay Biller Code)
- Credit Card Payment via Telephone

**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.