



PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

Dear Parent/Guardian,

South Gippsland Specialist school is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of South Gippsland Specialist school's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

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 quality educational programs such as swimming, Kitchen Garden, STEM, work experience, Duke of Edinburgh Award, enhanced digital learning, communication opportunities and extensive sensory supports.

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

Yours sincerely,

Heather Braden
Principal

Tenielle Bentley
School Council President

SENIOR STUDENTS R 8/9/10

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum		Amount
Mapbook Contribution – For Literacy and Numeracy		\$100
Laminating Packs x 2	\$20	
Paper x 2	\$10	
Tub x 1	\$5	
Pockets x 5	\$5	
Velcro roll x 1	\$60	
TOTAL	\$100	
Total Amount		\$100

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

South Gippsland Specialist 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.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by December 16th 2022.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Food consumed in the Kitchen/Garden program \$5 per student per session x 40 weeks	\$200	
Use of the pool for swimming \$5 per student per session x 40 weeks	\$200	
Cost of travel for local community access including work experience \$2 per student per session x 40 weeks	\$80	
Cost of travel for non-local community access including SBAT \$7 per student per session x 20 weeks	\$140	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$620

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$100
Other Contributions for non-curriculum items	\$620
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$720

Financial Support for Families

South Gippsland Specialist School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- ***the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund***
Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school student's. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student.
- ***State Schools Relief***
State Schools' Relief only responds to requests from schools and not from parents. The school will then make a request to State Schools' Relief on your behalf.
Talk to the business manager about uniforms, shoes, books and stationery through the State Schools' Relief. Eligibility criteria required to be met

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

Jodie Lennon, our Business Manager. Ph: 03 56624496

Payment Methods

Bank Deposit:

Account: South Gippsland School Council

BSB: 313 140

Account No: 12048065

Please put your Child's name as reference

- Centrepay
- BPAY
- EFTPOS

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

MIDDLE YEARS STUDENTS R3/4/5/7

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Mapbook Contributions		\$100
Laminating Packs x 2	\$20	
Paper x 2	\$10	
Tub x 1	\$5	
Pockets x 5	\$5	
Velcro roll x 1	\$60	
TOTAL	\$100	
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Optional Items

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Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$620

Total

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Other Contributions for non- curriculum items	\$620
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$720

EARLY YEARS STUDENTS – R1/2

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount												
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Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Warragul Arts Excursion x 2 – admission fee and travel costs	\$44	
Food consumed in the Kitchen/Garden program	\$200	

\$5 per student per session x 40 weeks		
Use of the pool for swimming \$5 per student per session x 40 weeks	\$200	
Cost of travel for local community access – Room 2 only \$2 per student per session x 20 weeks	\$40	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$484

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$100
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$484
Total	\$584