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Dear Parent/Guardian

Endeavour Hills Specialist School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you that Endeavour Hills Specialist School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026 have been reduced to \$100.00

This includes not only all your child's stationary needs, but access to an outstanding range of resources to facilitate the best possible education we can provide.

By supporting our school with this reduced voluntary payment, we can offer a wider range of subjects and special needs curriculum experiences such as digital learning devices and online learning applications.

Endeavour Hills Specialist School is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth) with the result that any donations made by you will be tax deductible. In order to claim this tax deduction, your donation needs to made voluntarily. We have suggested an amount to be contributed under "Curriculum Contributions" and "Other Contributions" below, but please feel free to contribute an alternative amount. Amounts paid under "Extra-Curricular Items and Activities" are not donations and are not tax deductible.

For further information on the Department of Education's Parent Payment Policy, please see a one-page overview attached.

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS BREAKDOWN:

Curriculum Contributions \$100.00

Extra-Curricular Items – advised throughout the year via Compass

That's an average investment of \$2.50 per week towards your child's education over the course of the school year.

Details on how to make payments are outlined below.

School Contributions 2026 \$100

School Bank Account BSB 033-222

Account 018514

Yours sincerely

Karen Hunt Principal

Rebecca De Lima
School Council President

| Curriculum Contributions — Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum. | Amount |
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| Classroom consumables, materials, and equipment The Arts – paint, crayons, canvas, instruments etc Technology – gardening tool, plants etc Food tech – food ingredients such as flour, butter etc Mathematics – numeracy blocks, counters, posters/charts, etc English – classroom libraries and readers, paper, craft items, book boxes, etc Sports – equipment, ribbons, etc | \$70.00 |
| Sensory Items ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets | \$10.00 |
| Total tax-deductible Curriculum Contributions | \$80.00 |

| Other Contributions – suggested tax -deductible contributions for non - curriculum items and activities | Amount |
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| Student wellbeing programs – breakfast club, parent webinars, guest speakers | \$10.00 |
| School grounds maintenance and improvements | \$10.00 |
| Total Other Contributions | \$20.00 |

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

Endeavour Hills Specialist 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 via Compass.

Financial Support for Families

Endeavour Hills Specialist 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 Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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

Camilo Bolivar

Business Manager on 03 9113 4100

Email: endeavour.hills.ss@education.vic.gov.au

Totals

| Category | Totals | Total payment | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Voluntary Parent Payment | \$ 100 | \$ | (Parent to complete) |
| Educational Items for Students to own | \$ NIL | | |
| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities | Via Compass throughout the year. | \$ | (Parent to complete) |
| Total | \$100.00 | \$ | (Parent to complete) |

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 Voluntary financial items and activities which the

contributions for curriculum school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other **Contributions**

Voluntary financial contributions for noncurriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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.