



Bulleen Heights School

Autism Spectrum Disorder

School Contributions 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The *Education and Training Reform Act 2006* provides for the provision of free instruction in the standard curriculum framework. Free instruction includes learning and teaching instructional supports, resources, administration, and facilities associated with the provision of the standard curriculum programs. It does not include student resources and materials required for classroom work.

The School Council, Principal and Staff have undertaken to enhance the standard curriculum program by:

- Applied Behavioural Analysis program conducted by ABA Therapist at primary level
- Inclusion primary program conducted at other school locations
- Offering a Vcal certificate course at Secondary level
- Transition Officer assisting Year 12 graduating students
- Enriching the student experience through enhanced Music, Art, PE, Swimming, Outdoor Education, Sport programs, Elective programs and Independent living experience
- Continuously enhancing the learning programs by investing in ongoing learning technologies and digital resources including onsite technicians
- Supporting our students and families with a multi-disciplinary team of Psychologist, Speech Therapists, Occupational Therapists
- Additional resources to maintain and upkeep the school facilities including an onsite house and gardens for living skills and onsite maintenance staff
- Providing and maintaining a vehicle fleet to transport students to activities for curriculum and extra curriculum activities.
- Improving the academic excellence of our students through continual professional development of staff to apply the best research and practice in the classroom

Decisions to support the standard curriculum and additional programs require support from the whole school community. Each year the school council prepares a budget to cover costs for educational programs, student/classroom supplies, administration, facilities and maintenance. Specifically, your contributions are divided into three components: Essential Educational Items, Optional Items, and Voluntary Financial Contributions. For more information on these components see Bulleen Heights School Parent Payment Policy which incorporates the DET policy, available on our website or Compass parent portal.

1. Essential Items: \$450 + Excursion Levy per child

These items are essential to support the course of instruction in the standard curriculum program that parents and guardians are responsible for and may pay the school to provide, such as some of the items suggested below:

- teaching & learning resources that student takes possession of :printed work books, student stationery, communication resources, creative activities, sunscreen, batteries, bulk papers & boards **\$140**
- consumables where the student consumes or takes possession of the finished articles: cooking, ceramics, photography, lunch/breakfast clubs **\$120**
- hygiene items for cross infection of students: disposal cloths & wipes, gloves, tissues, sanitizers, disposal underwear, towels & hand towels **\$70**
- therapy behavioural resources: oral motor, tactile and movement resources including soft & hard toys, , hand bean bags, massagers, kinetic sand **\$50**
- Online subscriptions eg. Reading Eggs, Mathletics, Maths Seeds, Brain Pop, Ziptales, Seesaw, Sunshine online, technology replacement parts **\$70**
- entrance fees, transport costs and refreshments, for some of the following curriculum activities:
 - school-based performances, productions and events,
 - community access, myki cards,
 - whole school activity days,
 - zoo visits, Werribee open range zoo, children's farm, movies, Latitude, Puffing Billy
 - Science works, Aquarium, Museums,

Excursion Levy – PRC \$50 MRC \$100

2. Optional Items:

These optional extras are provided on a user-pays basis and if parents / guardians choose to access them for students, they will be required to pay:

- school magazine per family: **\$20**
- Student Photos: **\$25**

The following items with approximate costs are not included in the contributions but may be required during the year for your child to attend:

- swimming \$90
- electives \$85
- PE Program competitions \$10
- camps \$180
- outdoor adventure activities \$85
- interschool sport \$45
- Ceres \$25

- BYOD Program Apps
 - Proloquo2go \$200
 - Assorted apps \$20

3. Voluntary Financial Contributions:

Voluntary financial contributions are requested to assist in the overall running and service the school provides. Suggested values are noted below:

Donations:

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| • Digital Technologies | \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| • Buildings & Grounds Fund | \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| • Library Fund | \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| • Bus Fund | \$25, \$50, \$100 |

Bulleen Heights School is a Deductible Gift Recipient approved by ATO, all donation are tax deductible.

A request for payments will be issued and paid through Compass Parent Portal in early December and are due by February 28th 2021.

Thank you to the many families of Bulleen Heights School who supported the school with tax deductible donations in 2020. Your continued support in these initiatives will maximum the learning opportunities for all students and result in a school that the community is proud of.

Thank you for the continued support of our school

Kind Regards



Susan Merjan
Principal



Andrew Field
School Council President

28 October 2020