IRAMOO PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 5152

2027 PARENT PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Dear Parent / Carer

Iramoo Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you that Iramoo' s voluntary financial contribution for 2027.

Victorian Government schools provide free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

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

Yours sincerely

Raquel Tweedley
Principal

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Although the Government provides a grant for children's books and other supplies each year, it is not enough to cover all of our essential student learning items.

Our School Council makes a decision each year on what the Parent Payment amount will be. For 2027, it will be $80.

At Iramoo Primary School, these items are purchased by the school and provided to **every** student.

Curriculum Contribution Items	Description	Cost
Stationery	All essential stationery items including: Workbooks, pencils, reading diaries, glue, textas etc.	**$30**
Classroom Projects	Bulk consumable materials / supplies for items produced in class.	**$20**
Specialist Programs - Visual Arts - Music - Phys. Ed - Spanish - Science Technology Engineering Maths - STEM	During specialist classes, students will print or produce projects and experiment with a range of materials, while exploring these areas. Items may include consumable materials such as clay, cardboard and decorative supplies (i.e. glitter, feathers and stick on adornments). Students may also create their own costumes for special performances or products on our 3D printers.	**$10**
Online Subscriptions	Online access to a range of educational applications such as Reading Eggs, Matific, Scratch, Duolingo	**$20**
	TOTAL	**$80**

EXTRA CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES

Iramoo Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the free instruction provided to all students at our school. Accessing these items and activities does require payment, but financial support is available. Below is a table with the *approximate* expenses that Iramoo parents can expect during the school year. This information is to assist families with their annual budgeting but does not include items such as special lunches, private music lessons, School Sports Victoria (SSV) divisional and district level sports events etc.

Year Level	Excursions/ Visits/ Sports *	Cultural Experience (Performing Arts) *	Swimming Years 1 – 6 *	House Athletics Carnival *	Camp *	School photos starting from	Year 6 uniform (approx.)
P	$60	$7				$25	
1 & 2	$60	$7	$40*	$10		$25	
3 & 4	$60	$7	$40*	$10		$25	
5	$60	$7	$40*	$10		$25	$50
6	$60	$7	$40*	$10	$350	$25	

*** indicates CSEF and any remaining School Saving Bonus can be used towards these listed items.**

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS
Although schools are able to, Iramoo Primary School Council has decided not to request other contributions in 2027.

Financial help for families
Iramoo Primary School understands families can experience financial difficulty. Help is available, including:

- ***Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund*** – this program provides funding for eligible students, including those in out of home care, and holders of eligible financially means-tested cards (such as health care cards), to attend activities like camps, sporting activities, excursions and incursions that are offered on a user-pays basis.
- ***Affordable School Uniforms*** - delivered by ***State Schools Relief,*** this program helps cover costs such as school uniforms, shoes, and other essential school items where families are experiencing financial hardship or short-term crisis.

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Parent Contributions policy

Information for families

FREE INSTRUCTION

Schools give students free instruction in the curriculum. This includes:

- Free access to all items, activities and services that schools use to deliver the curriculum, including reasonable adjustments to support students with disability.
- The Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major, and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- Free access to all subjects, including elective subjects.
- Free access to select-entry and accelerated programs.

FAMILIES CAN CHOOSE TO CONTRIBUTE

Schools can invite 2 types of voluntary contributions:

Voluntary contributions	Tax deductible contributions
Used towards enhanced educational programs and school environment, and additional resources and opportunities offered by schools	Used towards building and/or library fund (for those schools who have such funds)

Schools must advise the carers of students in out-of-home care and parents and carers who hold a financially means-tested card (such as a healthcare card) that the invitation to make voluntary contributions does not apply to them.

In addition, schools can invite parents and carers to pay for optional:

- Extra-curricular items and activities that go beyond the curriculum - for example, school photos, some excursions and some camps.
- Learning materials for students to individually use and own - for example, textbooks, stationery, and in secondary schools only, digital devices. If these items are not bought or provided from home, schools will provide students with free access to what they need for curriculum delivery.

FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

Each school has a contact person who can discuss with parents and carers the financial supports that are available.

Contributions arrangements on their school website, along with a link to the department's Parent Contributions policy.