

Dear Parent / Carer

Iramoo Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our school's parent payment arrangements for 2024.

Please find the Parent Payment schedule for 2024 attached.

Iramoo Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

In 2024 we are:

- Reducing the Parent contribution for curriculum items per student from \$120 to **\$100**.
- Fully subsidising our Kids & Fruit program so that it is available to all students.

Financial Support for Families

Iramoo Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options so that children do not miss out. These include:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
- payment plans
- individual payment plans

CSEF

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply for the Camps, Sports and Excursions (CSEF) funding - \$125.00 per child. This money can be used to help cover the costs of camps, excursions, incursions and/or swimming. CSEF applications are open from the first day of Term 1, 2024. Parents or legal guardians are required to submit a new CSEF application form each year.

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

Raquel Tweedley (Principal) or Karyn Henwood (Assistant Principal)

Ph: 03 9741 2803 | Email: iramoo.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Payment Methods

Compass (our preferred way of payment)

EFTPOS

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please follow link:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy>

Iramoo Primary School will commence accepting these payments from **Monday, January 29, 2024**.

Yours sincerely

RAQUEL TWEEDLEY
PRINCIPAL

CHRIS BOWEN
SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT



IRAMOO PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 5152

2024 PARENT PAYMENT SCHEDULE

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 amount will be. For 2024, \$100 per child is required.

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.	\$40
Classroom Projects	Bulk consumable materials / supplies for items produced in class such as: models and other creative designs including Science projects	\$20
Specialist Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visual Arts - Performing Arts - Phys. Ed - Spanish 	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.	\$20
Online Subscriptions	Online access to a range of educational applications such as Reading Eggs, Matific, Scratch, Duolingo	\$20
TOTAL		\$100

EXTRA CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES

Iramoo Primary School offers a range of items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. 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 etc.

Year Level	Excursions/ Visits/ Sports	1:1 iPad 'co-payment'	Cultural Experience (Performing Arts)	Swimming Years 2 - 6	Inter House Athletics Carnival	Camp	School photos (approx)	Year 6 uniform (approx)
P & 1	\$40*		\$7				\$25	
2 & 3	\$40*		\$7	\$75*	\$6*		\$25	
4	\$40*	\$250	\$7	\$75*	\$6*	\$230*	\$25	
5	\$80*	\$100	\$7	\$75*	\$6*		\$25	\$50
6	\$80*	\$50	\$7	\$75*	\$6*	\$350*	\$25	

*indicates parents holding a health care card current as of January 31 are eligible for the state government Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding (CSEF) \$125 per child and can use this towards these listed items.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Although schools are able to, Iramoo Primary School Council has decided not to request other contributions in 2024.

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 contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum 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.