Hamlyn Banks Primary School

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2026 Parent Payment Arrangements – Year 5

Dear Parent / Guardian / Carer,

Hamlyn Banks Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our voluntary financial contributions, classroom curriculum contributions, specialist curriculum contributions, other contributions and extra-curricular items and activities for the 2026 school year.

From 2026, Book Packs for students in Year 3 to Year 6 will consist mainly of novels. This is to support the novel studies that are happening at our school. We will provide all other required stationery for the year. At the conclusion of each novel study, students will bring the texts home to keep.

As you are aware, we take great pride in the work we do with and for your children – and as such, really appreciate that our community supports us through active participation with our school and financial contributions. This demonstrates you value your child's education and the work we do to ensure we are offering quality learning programs. We appreciate that everyone's financial situations are different so have included support options below. 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 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.

All money received or raised by the school is used to finance learning programs and to maintain and develop our school's buildings and grounds.

Book Pack and Payments Process

To order your Book Pack and make other financial contributions, visit:

https://www.wincschools.com.au/ Code: 6YR8U

Orders placed on or before 5th December 2025 will be delivered FREE.

Orders placed after 6th December 2025 - \$12.95 delivery fee.

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Winc for your child to individually own and use. Please note, this list is exactly the same as the items that will be shown on the portal above.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview on our school website. The HBPS Council appreciates your ongoing support.

Nigel Holloway Annabelle Citroen

Principal School Council President

What do my Financial Contributions pay for?

Book Pack via Winc	
Items that students individually own and use.	
Winc Tartan Pencil Case 2 Zip Pouch 375x264mm	\$ 2.15
Verbatim Multimedia Stereo Headset with Volume Control	\$ 9.89
Edco Cheeky Baby Wipe Refill Pack 80	\$ 2.63
Spelling Mastery Student Workbook Level D	\$ 34.95
The Lion The Witch And The Wardrobe (Lewis) ISBN: 9780007115617 The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe	\$ 15.99
Black Cockatoo Carl Merrison 1st Edn ISBN: 9781925360707 black Cockatoo Carl Merrison 1st Edn ISBN: 9781925360707	\$ 17.99
Wonder - Random House 1st Edition R J Palacio ISBN: 9780552565974	\$ 19.99
Blueback Blueback TimWinton ISBN: 9780143304333	\$ 17.99
TOTAL:	\$ 121.58

Classroom Curriculum Contributions	
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum.	
Classroom consumables, materials and equipment - including art and craft materials, coloured	
paper, card, glues, paints, construction materials, sporting equipment, books, cooking	
ingredients and inquiry materials etc.	\$ 55.00
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials.	\$ 10.00
ICT infrastructure, tech support and devices.	\$ 10.00
TOTAL:	\$ 75.00

Specialist Program Curriculum Contributions	
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	
ART Program materials and equipment.	\$ 10
Music Program materials and equipment.	\$ 10
STEM Program materials and equipment.	\$ 10
Health and PE Program materials and equipment.	\$ 10
TOTAL:	\$ 40

Other Contributions	
Non-curriculum items and activities	
Student wellbeing programs	\$ 5
First aid equipment	\$ 5
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$ 5
TOTAL:	\$ 15

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

HBPS offer 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.

All 'Extra-Curricular Items and Activities' will be made available to families via compass events.

Tax deductible contributions			
Parents and guardians are invited to make contributions to any of the following programs.			
Library Fund	A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource.	\$	
Building Fund	A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.	\$	
	TOTAL	\$	

Book Pack via Winc	\$ 121.58
Classroom Curriculum Contributions	\$ 75.00
Specialist Program Curriculum Contributions	\$ 40
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$0
Tax deductible contributions	\$
TOTAL	\$

Payment Methods

☐ WINC portal.

CREDIT / DEBIT CARD: EFTPOS available when you contact the office.
BPAY: Contact the office for your BPay number.
CENTREPAY CREDIT: If you have credit on your family account, you can opt to use this to cover the cost of

Financial Support for Families

the Book Pack and other contributions.

We understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offer a range of support options, including:

- Camps, Sports Education Fund (CSEF): If you hold a health care or pensioner benefit card, you may be eligible to apply for a payment from the Government to assist with the costs of camps and excursions.
- Centrepay: If you receive a payment from Centrelink you can choose to have this money used for curriculum contributions, other contributions and extra-curricular items and activities.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Nigel Holloway on 5278 3100 or nigel.holloway@education.vic.gov.au

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."

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 standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- 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 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.