



Year 8

Dear Parents and Carers,

Dimboola Memorial Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the school's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum. The ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Sally Klinge', enclosed within a thin vertical rectangular border.

Sally Klinge
Principal

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rhianna Paech', with a horizontal line drawn through the middle of the signature.

Rhianna Paech
School Council President



| Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum | Amount |
|---|------------------|
| Diary | Provided by DMSC |
| Classroom consumables, materials & equipment. Examples <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art – materials • Food Tech –ingredients • Product Design and Technology - materials • Science – chemicals • STEAM – materials | \$165.00 |
| Online subscriptions * Mathletics, Squizya, Literacy Planet, Essential Assessment | \$50.00 |
| Digital technologies - provision of laptop device, charger, bag software, and system support (DMSC covers additional costs) | \$250.00 |
| Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials | Provided by DMSC |
| Whole school events * Swimming carnival – entry | Provided by DMSC |
| Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities | Amount |
| School Sports Victoria membership | Provided by DMSC |
| Student wellbeing programs | Provided by DMSC |
| First aid equipment | Provided by DMSC |
| School grounds maintenance and improvements | Provided by DMSC |
| Total Amount | \$465.00 |

Educational items for students to own

A list of books and stationery that the school recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use will be provided.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Dimboola Memorial Secondary College offers 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.



| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities | Amount | Purchase (Please tick) |
|--|---------------|------------------------|
| School magazine | | Provided by DMSC |
| School camp | To be advised | |
| Interschool Sports program | To be advised | |
| Music lessons | | Provided by DMSC |
| Excursions – subsidised by DMSC | To be advised | |
| Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities | | Cost to be advised |

Financial Support for Families

Dimboola Memorial Secondary College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

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

School Office

Ph: **03 5389 1460** | Email: dimboola.memorial.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Total

| Category | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Curriculum Contributions | \$ 465.00 |
| Other Contributions | Provided by DMSC |

Payment methods:

QKR! App

Payments are divided into two sections on the app: **Computer & Parent Payments**

See DMSC website to download app

Banking details:

**BSB 063-000
A/C 14193063**

Please use your family name as a reference

Refunds: Please contact DMSC office



PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY



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.