OCEAN GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2021 - FOUNDATION

Dear Families

Ocean Grove Primary School is looking forward to welcoming you to our great school and becoming involved in many of the school experiences. We would like to inform you of *Ocean Grove Primary School*'s parent payment arrangements for *2021.*

Ocean Grove Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents. Note that the complete financial package outlined is only approximately $1.20 per child per day! Our school is over 120 years old and many families have contributed to it over time to make the school what it is today. Let's continue to build on this great foundation.

We take pride in offering quality learning programs in a safe and stimulating environment. Understandably, the provision of both of these requires a large amount of time, equipment, materials and expertise.

Ocean Grove Primary School is a **non-profit organisation**. All of the monies received and/or raised by the school are used to financially support learning programs and to maintain and develop our school's buildings and grounds.

The difference between funds provided by the Department of Education and Training through our School Global Budget and those required for this school to operate to the high standard that we expect, leaves a shortfall which our School Council attempts to raise through fundraising and School Council Voluntary Contributions and other local activities

This year we are moving to an online purchasing system for our book packs. Information is attached to this letter showing how to order. Book packs are then delivered to your home during January. School Council have supported this change in line with COVID-19 restrictions with social distancing, parents on site and staff working in close proximity when serving parents, and to allow families to have choice in the supplier

Payment Methods

Payment Option	Explanation
WINC – booklist provider	Pay for school books and charges when ordering your booklist items on the WINC website (see details attached) (Preferred option)
BPay	Payment made directly to the school by using your Bpay biller code and Reference number. Contact the office for your Bpay biller code.
Cash, EFTPOS or credit card	Pay directly to the office or you can phone in to pay by credit card.
Centrepay	You can set up Centrelink deductions out of your regular benefits to go directly to school. This can be done as a once off or regularly. You can apply for Centrepay deductions on line at: https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/centrepay/how-use-it/set-deductions

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please see a one page overview on the school's website. We thank you for your financial contribution to the school so we can continue to add value to your child's education

Yours sincerely,

Scott McCumber
Principal

Simone Shanahan
School Council President

FEE SCHEDULE – FOUNDATION

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. Ocean Grove Primary School also continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for *2021*.

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. You may choose to purchase these items through the school or provide your own.
This booklist guides you on the everyday items that your child will use in the classroom.

Essential Student Learning Items	Number	Cost
Tri Grip Coloured Pencils 10pk	2	
A3 Mesh Pencil Case/ Handy Pouch	1	
Micador Textas	3	
Micador Whiteboard markers 3 pk	2	
Jumbo Triangular Graphite Pencils	12	
Post It Notes	2	
Glue Stick 35gm (1 x science) acid free	2	
Stainless Steel Scissors	1	
Plastic Pencil Sharpener 2 hole	1	
READ It Home Reading Journal Junior Level	1	
A4 Exercise Book 48pg 24mm	4	
Spirax A5 64 page Book 24 mm	1	
Minispace Scrap Book 64 pg	1	
Megaspace Scrap Book 64pg (1 x science)	3	
Exercise Book Ground/Grass/Sky 64 pg	3	
Maths Grid Book 10 mm	1	
A4 Clear Document Wallet	2	
Protext Document Wallet Button A5	1	
Fixed Spine Display Book 40 pocket	1	
Whiteboard	1	
A4 Visual Arts Diary 110 gsm A4	1	
A3 Visual Arts Diary120p Spiral	1	
Thrass Chart	1	
	Sub Total	$ 147.52

Essential items supplied at school

Classroom consumables – items purchased in bulk eg glue, coloured paper for writing, drawing and crafting, string, google eyes etc.	$20
Art –paint & craft materials for art including drawing & painting materials, oil pastels, charcoal, acrylic paints, pva glue, pens, craft paper, clay, inks etc	$20
STEM - Years Foundation to 2 make a toy of their choosing. Items used corks, cotton wool, string, straws, glue, paint, google eyes, match sticks etc.Years 3 – 6 make and design an animal of their choice Plasticine, metal wire, google eyes, skewers, match sticks, coil springs, wool and fabric Foundation also grow lima beans – take home Paper cup, soil, seeds Building a raft that can carry a gingerbread man across a body of water . Materials used: icy pole sticks, pipe cleaners, tin foil, skewers, paper, string and twine, plastic cups, rubber bands, matchsticks	$20
Reading Eggs Online program subscription	$14.50
Mathletics Online program subscription	$11.70
See Saw Online learning program subscription	$7.70
SEL Workbook	$5.00
Braveheart Incursion held in February (Classed as an essential program)	$6.00
Library Reader Bag	$6.00
Sub Total	**$110.90**

Essential Items Total $258.42

Voluntary Contributions

Ocean Grove Primary School appreciates your voluntary contributions to support our school.
You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all of our school's important priorities for *2021* as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.
Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

Voluntary contributions for schools are what helps our school stand out from the pack and enables us to offer great facilities, high quality educational programs and other opportunities that some schools can't.

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

A tax deduction is available should you donate to the library or building funds.

On behalf of the Ocean Grove Primary School community we sincerely thank you for your financial contribution that keeps this school as one of the leading schools in Victorian State Education.

Voluntary Contribution	Tax deductible?	Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family	Amount
		Example only	
Curriculum Contribution Art - specific items to create student personal work eg collage, artwork Music - 2 xylophones Physical Education – sports equipment STEM – spheros, drones and robots	*No*	*$50.00*	*$*_____
School Assistance Program These funds help to support families struggling to pay for schools costs who have demonstrated financial hardship	*No*	*$15.00*	*$*_____
Ground maintenance including new gardens for student activities	*No*	*$20.00*	*$*_____
Library Fund (Tax deductible)	*Yes*	*$20.00*	*$*_____
Building Fund (Tax deductible)	*Yes*	*$20.00*	*$*_____

Camps and Excursions

At this time camps and excursions have not yet been finalised and approved by school council however on recent history the approximate cost for 2021 would be $50.00 for excursions. Preps don't attend camp just yet!

This includes House Day and an excursion / incursion

Optional Items

Ocean Grove Primary School offers a range of optional 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
Examples – School Photos, School Concert, Events such as fundraising activities and BYO iPad

Refunds

Refunds for camps and excursions can only be made after a written request is received. Note that as per our policy refunds may only be made where the school does not incur the cost. e.g. cost of buses is calculated on numbers attending so a refund may not be possible. Please refer to our refund policy on the school website.

Financial Support for Families

Ocean Grove Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (available for families who hold a health care or pensioner card $125.00 per year per student
- Parent Payment plans including cash, credit or BPay. Families can set up regular direct debit or BPay transfers

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:
Judy Webb (Business Manager) Ph: 5255 1340 | Email: ocean.grove.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Thank you

On behalf of the Ocean Grove Primary School community we thank you for your financial contributions and we will do our best to provide a fantastic teaching and learning program combines with great facilities for your child.

Scott McCumber

Principal

Ocean Grove Primary School

Please return this slip with payment if NOT paying online with booklist

Parent Payment Charges Summary Foundation

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount	$ 258.42
Voluntary financial contribution	Amount	$_____
Camps and Excursions	Amount	$ 50.00
Optional financial contribution	Amount	$_____
	TOTAL	**$**_____

Child's Name _____

I enclose cash / cheque / Credit

Card Number

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Expiry Date _____ CCV _____

Parent Signature _____