



2025 Voluntary Contribution, Charges and Personal Items

Financial support from parents has always played a significant role in providing resources that enhance students' learning experiences. The ongoing partnership between schools and parents is crucial to ensuring that all students receive an education that equips them for success today.

The School Board has approved the following information regarding the Contribution, Charges and Personal Items Schedule for the year 2025. One of the requirements of the School Education Act 1999 is for schools to notify parents of all contributions and charges prior to the start of the school year.

The schedule is as follows:

- ***Voluntary Contributions***
- ***Charges – Extra Cost Optional Components***
- ***Personal Items for personal use in the educational programme***
- ***Other Services (not directly part of the educational program)***
- ***Additional Voluntary Requests***

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

The total amount of contributions parents and caregivers of children in K-6 are being asked to pay is \$60 per child, per year which is within the School Educational Act Regulations 2000. Money collected will be used to supplement school expenditure in the learning areas and other activities.

While contributions are voluntary, your contribution is highly valued. The quality of our teaching and learning programs are maximised when each family pays their child's contribution and assists in supplementing funding gained from other sources.

2025 Voluntary Contributions	Amount
Numeracy	\$15.00
Literacy	\$15.00
ICT	\$15.00
Physical Education	\$5.00
Art	\$5.00
Music	\$5.00
Total Contribution (per student)	\$60.00



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As outlined, your contributions **greatly support** curriculum budgets. Should the collection of Voluntary Contributions be less than 80% (as budgeted) the shortfall places considerable strain on our budget and directly affects what materials can be purchased for curriculum areas to support student learning.

We understand that paying these contributions at the same time as having to pay for booklists may place financial strain on some families. Therefore, we are happy to support and offer the following payment options if required:

Instalments

Flexible instalment option of paying \$15 per term is acceptable. Or contact the Front Office staff to tailor a suitable plan.

Direct Debit

Using the school's account details, set up a recurring direct debit from your chosen account (savings, credit). This can be at an amount determined by you.

Parents are advised that they can pay the School Contribution amount when completing the Personal Items Lists, the contracted supplier will forward the money to the school with a complete list of payment details.

Payments can be made by cash/cheque/EFTPOS at the office between 8:30am and 3:30pm, or by internet banking, using the following account details.

Payee: Bannister Creek Primary School

BSB: 066 164 ***Account:*** 0090 0280

Reference: Child's Name/s VC2024

Description: School Contributions (or charge item)

CHARGES – Extra Cost Optional Components

These charges / costs are associated with specific learning activities available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made at the time of the excursion or incursion. A breakdown of estimated charges has been included in the schedule below.

Students will only incur a charge when they participate in a particular activity – the amounts indicated on the schedule represent the maximum charge possible for scheduled activities during 2025.



PERSONAL ITEMS

Items for personal use in the education program

You will receive the list of stationery your child will require for personal use in 2025. We have negotiated competitive pricing for high quality materials through Nextra Riverton (The Newsagency at Riverton Shopping Centre), a local business. Whilst you are not obliged to use our preferred supplier, we encourage you to give consideration to supporting a local company that provides quality products and service. ***Parents should be aware that some items may need to be replaced during the year.***

OTHER SERVICES - Optional

Provided for convenience, but which are not required for educational program.

School fundraising can include things such as gold coin donation days for charitable organisations, or Book Fairs, Operation Christmas Child, School Photos, Scholastic Book Club, Lapathon. The P&C also run events and provide services such as Stalls for Mother's & Father's Day, Easter Raffle, Graduation Fundraising, Camp Fundraising, and discos etc.

Voluntary Contribution and Other Charges 2025

All contributions and charges have been kept to a minimum in order to maximise the ability for all families to pay and therefore for all students to benefit from all of the school's core and non-core programs and activities. Charges quoted below are the **maximum possible**, and all efforts are made to keep below these.

Code

A This is a charge for elements related to specific learning activities and available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made e.g., incursions, excursions, enhancement to classroom activities.

B This is a charge for optional elements related to specific learning activities and available to selected students, but conditional on a payment being made e.g., PEAC, Academic Competitions, School of Instrumental Music Program, Interschool Sport, etc.

C This is a charge for optional elements, which address overarching outcomes activities and are available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made e.g., Year Six Camp.

Parents are welcome to pay up to 50% of charges in advance, e.g., beginning of each term, semester, or end of 2024 for 2025, or set up a regular transfer. Statements of balance are forwarded home regularly.



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Description	Code	K	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS		\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
CHARGES to a maximum per child of:	<i>Includes the following incursions/excursions</i>								
In-Term Swimming	A		\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
Incursions	A	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
Excursions	A	\$40	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$90	\$90
Dance/ Gym Program	A			\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Literacy Pro Subscription	A				\$18	\$18	\$18	\$18	\$18
CHARGES SPECIFIC PROGRAMS	<i>In addition to the above maximum incursion/excursion charges</i>								
Instrumental Music – hire/lease	B							\$150	\$150
PEAC	B							\$300	\$300
Performing Arts**	B			\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Carnivals/ Interschool Athletics	B					\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
BYOD suggested Apps	C				\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
Year 6 Camp	C								\$400
Graduation	C								\$150
Graduation T-Shirt	C								\$60
Graduation Excursion	C								\$60
OTHER CHARGES	<i>Optional Charges</i>								
School Photographs		\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
Fundraisers – e.g., graduation, ground works etc.		\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
Charity Support		\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10

**** Black Dress Pants and Black Shoes are included in the Performing Arts Cost**