



Noorat Primary School

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## 2024 PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Parents,

Noorat Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of their voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

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 that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

We want to thank you for your continued financial support in ensuring that our students have the best possible educational opportunities, and hands on learning resources, so that they can experience success within all Victorian Curriculum subject areas taught. Your ongoing support in this area makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

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

Yours sincerely,

*Ilona Watkins*

Principal

*Erin Lanchester*

School Council President

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p><i>Classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>MARC Library</i> – hands on learning resources and book borrowing</li> <li>• <i>Art</i> – paint, crayons, clay, pipe cleaners, coloured paper, celebration activities etc.</li> <li>• <i>Kitchen / Garden</i> – Cooking ingredients such as flour, oil, sugar, propagation materials, etc.</li> <li>• <i>STEM</i> - Construction materials such as icy-pole sticks, plasticine, cardboard and 3D printer filament.</li> <li>• <i>Health &amp; PE</i> – Equipment and personal development sessions</li> </ul>	\$75
<p><i>Online Subscriptions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essential Assessment (\$20)</li> <li>• Reading Eggs / StoryBox (\$30) F-2</li> <li>• PAT Maths &amp; PAT Reading (\$20)</li> <li>• Life Skills Go (\$10)</li> </ul>	\$50
<i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$25
<p><i>Whole School Events</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MARC Van author visit transport (\$10)</li> <li>• Athletic Sports transport &amp; affiliation fees (\$20)</li> </ul>	\$30
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$180</b>

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$25
<i>First Aid equipment</i>	\$5
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$30</b>

### Educational items for students to own

The school highly recommends you purchase your 2024 Stationary Pack online from Darrian Office Choice for your child to individually own. You will find the instructions within this pack on how to login, order and pay online. Once you are logged in you can view the items required. Your items will be delivered to the school, ready to be labelled by staff prior to students commencing.

If you are purchasing independent of Darrians, books **MUST** be the same as those requested, as they are subject specific.

## Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Noorat Primary School offers a range of items, activities and excursions 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.

The table below indicates the costing of extra-curricular programs and activities.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>School Camp Program</i> – Each year level from Year 1 to 6 participate in a school camp experience. The cost for each camp varies, depending on camp location, activities & numbers.	Year 1/2 = approx. \$20 Year 3-6 = approx. \$400
<i>End of Year Celebration</i> – Organised by our student leadership team.	\$TBC = approx. \$20
<b>Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>\$TBC</b>

## Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- **State Schools Relief (SSR)**
- **School payment plan** – please see Casey Burns to organise this

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

Casey Burns – Business Manager

Ph: 03 5592 5282 | Email: [noorat.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:noorat.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$180
Other Contributions	\$30
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$TBC
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$210</b>

## Payment Methods

- **Direct deposit** – BSB: 063 756 Acc: 10001351
- **Cash** – In Person

## Refunds

Our school will consider requests for partial or full refunds of payments made by parents on a case-by-case basis considering the individual circumstances. 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.



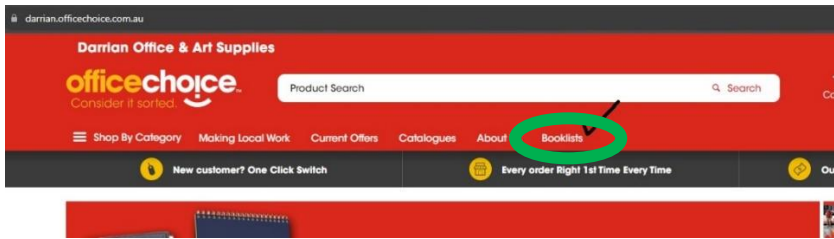
### SCHOOL PROCESSES

- 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.

## Ordering Online - Noorat Primary Stationery List

Go to [darrian.officechoice.com.au](http://darrian.officechoice.com.au)

Click on the below highlighted tab



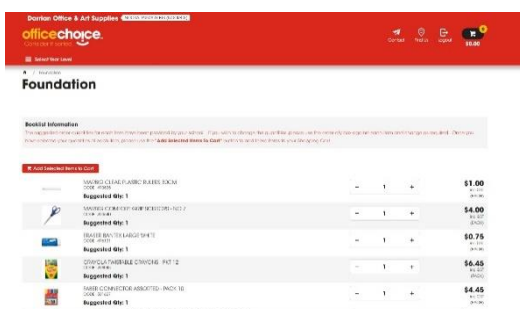
This will bring up the booklist page –



Enter in your school login – **Noorbts** & Password – **Noorbts** (both case sensitive) and get following page, pick your year level



Carefully go through the booklist and change the amount of items by clicking on +/- to what you require



Once happy with what ordered, click on trolley at top right of website

Please continue on to Checkout and fill in all details for this order

## Important Information regarding your booklist order

Thank you for using the services of a local family business

All online orders must be placed **before 4.30pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024** to ensure we have sufficient stock for all orders

Your order will be delivered to the school late January and staff will have them ready for day 1. Staff will label prior to school commencing (F-2) or with the students on day 1 (3-6).

Orders placed in store after this time will be processed, however we cannot promise all stock will be available before we deliver to your school. It will be your responsibility to collect items once they arrive.

For assistance with the website, your order, returns, refunds or a general enquiry, please email [karenb@darrian.com.au](mailto:karenb@darrian.com.au) or call 5562 8022.