



31st October 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians of 2026 students,

At Truganina South Primary School, the child is at the centre of all we do. We collaborate to support student wellbeing and learning, preparing our students for happy and successful futures. We are committed to providing the very best education for all our students. We are looking forward to a great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our school's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

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 financial support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for all our students. We want to thank you for all your support in the past. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to provide extra specialist programs such as The Arts (Visual and Performing), Physical Education, Science and Mandarin. Students have also had access to digital learning platforms to enhance their learning at school and at home. Our students' wellbeing has been strongly supported by programs such as Zones of Regulation, School Wide Positive Behaviours and Respectful Relationships. Our students have had access to a wide range of materials and experiences that have allowed them to create and innovate. This underpins our philosophy of nurturing happy, healthy and resilient children.

In order to sustain these programs, we hope that your financial support continues.

In 2026 the school will be supplying all students with the required stationary items which will be delivered to each class for the start of the school year.

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

Please visit our school website for the Parent Payment Policy overview - www.truganinasouthps.vic.edu.au

Yours sincerely,

Paul Bombaci

Paul Bombaci
Principal

David Gibilisco
School Council President

CURRICULUM AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Overview

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p>Items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the curriculum. These items and activities are deemed essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum.</p> <p><i>(See Curriculum Contributions Explanation of Charges below)</i></p>	\$300
TOTAL CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	\$300
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<p>This voluntary financial contribution is for non-curriculum items and activities that support the school to provide supports and resources that contribute to our functions and objectives.</p> <p>This voluntary payment contributes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced student health and wellbeing programs and resources • Student and parent communication tools and resources • School grounds maintenance and improvements • Sports affiliation costs <p><i>(See Non-Curriculum Contributions Explanation of Charges below)</i></p>	\$40
TOTAL OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$40
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – PAID AT THE TIME OF EVENT	Amount
<p>Truganina South Primary School 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.</p> <p>These are provided on a user-pays basis at the time of the event on Compass.</p> <p>These items and activities could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursions, incursions and camping programs • Swimming and other sporting events and activities • Optional extra-curricular activities • School photos 	TBC
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$340

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Explanation of Charges

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p>General Classroom consumables (including Specialist Subjects), materials and equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Classroom Consumables including English and Maths, materials and equipment – writing books, pens, pencils, textas, sharpener, ruler, eraser, craft materials • Art – equipment & resources • Performing Arts – equipment & resources • Science – equipment & resources • LOTE – equipment & resources • Physical Education/Sports – equipment & resources • Social and Emotional Learning – equipment & resources 	\$230
<p>Online subscriptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All students will receive personalised literacy and numeracy apps. These apps will enhance learning at school and can be used as part of Home Learning. 	\$20
<p>Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision & upkeep of technology devices, infrastructure, and services for use in Science and Technologies, and the classroom 	\$20
<p>Printing and photocopying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printing and copying of learning resources and materials 	\$30
TOTAL CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS	\$300
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria affiliation	\$5
Student wellbeing programs	\$20
First aid supplies	\$15
TOTAL OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$40
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$340

Payment Options

Curriculum Contributions are items and **activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum – Paid** directly to school via COMPASS (preferred payment)

Payment Options:

- (a) **PAYMENT ONLINE** for Curriculum Contributions VIA COMPASS
Preferred Payment Option
Payments online via COMPASS can be made at your convenience at any time, no forms are required.

OR

- (b) **PAYMENT VIA the SCHOOL OFFICE**
Prepayments can be made at the office up until the Wednesday 17th of December 2025

Financial Support for Families

Truganina South 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)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

It has always been the policy at Truganina South Primary School that our students should not miss out on opportunities due to financial hardship. No child is denied anything from the basic curriculum.

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

Sonia Falcone
Business Manager
Ph: 03 9296 1800 | Email: truganina.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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 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.