



SCHOOLS

Kerang South Primary School - 4949

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Kerang South Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the school's payment arrangements for 2021.

Please find the fee schedule for your child's year level attached. This is not a request for payment, rather the requirement of the DET that we advise families of parent payment arrangements for 2021 for Kerang South Primary School as approved by the School Council and the Department of Education.

Kerang South Primary School makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

Financial Support for Families

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

- An equity funding payment by the school that will go directly towards School Council payments for students whose parents hold a valid low income Health Care Card with the students' names listed on it. The amount will be dependent on the funding received by the school and number of students eligible. In 2021, this amount will be \$50.
- CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund) funding, which can be accessed by families with a valid low income Health Care Card with the students' names listed on it, can be applied to sports payments e.g. swimming, buses for school events etc. and excursions.
- Access to **State Schools Relief** support via the Principal to assist with uniforms and shoes.
- Welfare and support agencies that have established partnership arrangements with schools to provide further assistance to students and their families.
- Second hand uniform - In order to support parents in meeting the costs of their children's education, the school sells second hand school uniforms. Uniform costs are kept to a minimum.
- Information regarding support options is also available from the general office and will be advertised periodically in the "South News" school newsletter, KSPS Parents Facebook group and on the website.

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, families are invited to contact the school for information regarding support options, or the Business Manager, if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, on 03 5450 3900.

Payment Methods

Parents may choose to make payments in instalments, and will be provided with several methods of making payment including:

- Payment plan (please request this if required)
- EFTPOS card at the office
- BPAY – details available on your family statement

Parents are able to enter into confidential payment arrangements by contacting the Business Manager, Gaynor Hudson on 5450 3900 or Kerang.South.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

Invoices will be issued in February 2021, with full payment due before all items are given to students. Payments can commence at any time from now on. Please contact the school Business Manager, Gaynor Hudson, if you require any further clarification or information.

Refunds

Please refer to our Parent Refund Policy located on the school website.

Students withdrawing from an activity will not automatically be entitled to a refund.

- Where the school is charged for the provision of a program or service as a bulk cost and not a 'per head' cost, no refund will be given.
- Where a 'per head' fee is charged, refunds may be given.
- Where there is a combination of a bulk charge and a 'per head' charge in an excursion (e.g. a visit to the zoo where the bus charge is bulk cost and the entry fee is a 'per head' cost) only the 'per head' component may be refunded.
- Refunds may be considered under special circumstances and at the principal's discretion.
- Deposits paid for school camps and swimming will be non-refundable unless either cancelled by the school or at the Principal's discretion.
- The 'Camps and Excursion Refund Request' form must be completed for all reimbursements within 14 days of the event. The form is available from the office.
- Refunds will be processed once all outstanding costs are met.

Method of Reimbursement

Reimbursements will be processed by way of a credit being applied to the family account unless alternative arrangements are made, which can be used for future activities. If the original payment was made with CSEF credit, this credit will be reapplied to the family account as CSEF credit.

Department Parent Payment Policy

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy, please see a one page overview attached. The new DET Parent Payment Policy is available to view on our school website and a copy can be requested at any time by contacting the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Lyn Veall
Principal

Mark Bramich
School Council President

FEE SCHEDULE

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child.

Payment Plans are available on request. Please speak to the Business Manager if you have questions.

Essential Student Learning Items Prep to Grade 6	Amount																							
Below is a list of items which are essential for and support your child to learn the standard curriculum program and improved outcomes for students.																								
<p>Student Booklist</p> <p>These items will be packaged together as individual student packs and are given to students at the beginning of the year including pens, pencils, rulers, scrapbooks, materials, etc.</p> <p>This charge includes items owned by the student in-class and brought home at any time during the year</p> <p>(Book lists are available separately, if families wish to provide equivalent materials themselves, this should be done in consultation with the school, however, there are some items that can only be provided by the school.)</p>	\$60.00																							
<p>Consumables and craft supplies including integrated studies, literacy and numeracy, STEM, etc.</p> <p>Includes: cooking ingredients for classroom/buddy cooking, classroom art and craft materials, materials for completing projects including paper, cardboard, paint and other materials.</p>	\$25.00																							
<p>Specialist program consumables Art, Music, Drama, Respectful Relationships, Indonesian & Physical Education</p> <p>Includes: exercise books, display books, scrapbooks and consumable materials that your child uses in their standard class also includes glue, craft paper, paint, clay, cardboard, pens, pencils and other materials.</p>	\$15.00																							
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Optional Items	Amount
<p>Kerang South Primary School offers optional activities throughout the year that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child.</p> <p>Optional item charges may be requested as they arise during the year, which might include extra-curricular programs or activities, camps and excursions, in-school arts/music/artist visits, sports activities, school photos, yearbooks, etc. The costs and payment for these activities will be advised throughout the year.</p> <p>Optional Items for 2021: Sports, swimming, local excursions, safety programmes, transport, activities and clinics. (User pays) Incursions and arts/artist performances and programmes (user pays) *CSEF if applicable can be used towards these items</p> <p>The major items are our school camps, listed below. These costs are indicative only – exact cost and payment options will be communicated closer to the camp date. * CSEF if applicable can be used towards these items.</p>	
Prep to Grade 2 Excursion	\$100
Grade 3 &4 Camp	\$250
Grade 5 & 6 Camp	\$350
<p>Students who choose not to pay will not be able to attend these events and will remain in class and receive explicit teaching to the relevant curriculum.</p>	

Voluntary Contribution	Suggested Amount
<p>Kerang South Primary School continues to welcome voluntary contributions to support our school. Families are invited to make a voluntary contribution that provides additional educational activities and services for all students.</p>	\$50

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.

TOTAL PARENT PAYMENT AMOUNT	
Essential Student Education Items	\$145.00 per student
Optional Items *CSEF can be used towards these items if applicable	\$ 82.00 per student
Voluntary Financial Contribution	\$

Total Parent Payment Amount (per student)	\$
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