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BADEN POWELL COLLEGE – GRADE FOUR STUDENTS

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Baden Powell College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Baden Powell College's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfill the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. 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 all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Outlined in this document is a list of curriculum stationery items for your child's grade level. Our staff have reviewed and refined the list to ensure that all items have a purpose. This year we have organised these in advance as we have received parent feedback that the start of the school year can be financially difficult for parents having just gone through Christmas and the holiday period. This allows parents to organise payment prior to the start of the school year and the busy Christmas period.

Paperchase Office National is a competitive supplier and is passing on bulk purchasing prices to our families. This can now be ordered and paid for online for parent convenience via the Paperchase Office National portal

Paperchase Office National is offering FREE delivery for all orders made on or before December 15, 2024. After this time each family order will incur a \$16.95 delivery fee. This will be delivered by Australia Post to your home. Students will bring their book pack to class on the first day of school in 2025.

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

Yours sincerely,

Vicki Minton Warren Yates

College Principal School Council President

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| Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum in Grade 4. | | Amount |
|---|--|----------|
| Online Subscriptions | Mathseeds (\$16.00)Reading Eggs (\$12.52) | \$28.52 |
| Student Diary | Diary to track student reading, homework, learning goals, and parent communication. | \$10.70 |
| Printing and photocopying | Worksheets and learning materials | \$15.00 |
| Curriculum Enrichment: | During specialist classes, students will print or produce projects and experiment with a range of materials while exploring these areas. Items may include specialist materials such as clay, cardboard, photographic paper and decorative supplies (ie. glitter, feathers and stick on adornments). | \$81.61 |
| Inquiry Learning | All students will participate in Inquiry Learning. This covers the cost of all take home projects and construction items. Units of Learning will be focused on planned topics. | \$20.00 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT | For Curriculum Contributions | \$155.83 |

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that Baden Powell College recommends you purchase from Paperchase Office National for your child to individually own and use.

| Educational items to own | Total book pack | \$44.17 |
|--------------------------|---|----------|
| TOTAL AMOUNT | Educational items to own and Curriculum Contributions | \$200.00 |

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Baden Powell College 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. These are provided on a user-pays basis and include camps, excursions and sporting events. These will be communicated to parents throughout the year.

Financial Support for Families

Baden Powell College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- CSEF Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions
- Centrepay
- States Schools' Relief provides financial support for eligible families to purchase clothing/uniforms at a reduced rate

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For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Jason Vandy Assistant Principal - Years Three - Six

Derrimut Heath Campus:

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Tarneit Campus:

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*** Paperchase Office National itemised list below

| CODE | DESCRIPTION | QTY |
|---------|---|-----|
| 7096658 | PAPERMATE PEN INK JOY 100 BALLPOINT MED BLUE | 3 |
| 4679133 | DOMS C3 TRI COLOURED PENCIL ASSORTED PACK 24 | 1 |
| 7033178 | PAPERMATE PEN INK JOY 100 BALLPOINT MED RED | 3 |
| 7049367 | RULER WOODEN 300MM | 1 |
| 4005496 | PICTOR ALPHABET NAME PENCIL CASE 350 X 180 MM ASSORTED | 1 |
| 4000154 | PICTOR PREMIUM GRAPH BOOK 10MM 70GSM 48 PAGE A4 SUN | 4 |
| 7074388 | FABER CASTELL PENCIL GOLD HB | 6 |
| 7005772 | BOSTIK GLUE STICK 35 grm | 3 |
| 4000895 | PICTOR VISUAL ART DIARY A4 PP 120 PAGE 110GSM BLACK | 1 |
| 4000093 | PICTOR PREMIUM EXERCISE BOOK DOTTED THIRDS 14MM 70GSM 96 PAGE A4 GALAXY | 8 |
| 4000185 | PICTOR MEGA SPACEBUDDIES SCRAPBOOK 100GSM 64 PAGE 330 X 240MM | 2 |
| 7033383 | SHARPIE HIGHLIGHTER FLUO XL CHISEL ASSORTED | 1 |
| 7071236 | DOCUMENT WALLET PP W/BUTTON CLEAR | 2 |
| 7003914 | PICTOR 2 HOLE METAL SHARPENER | 1 |
| 4001601 | PICTOR DELUXE BLUE HANDLE STUDENT SCISSORS 165MM | 1 |
| 7052748 | FABER CASTELL CONNECTOR PEN ASSORTED 12 | 1 |
| 7010613 | DISPLAY BOOK A4 20 POCKET BLACK | 1 |

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Payment methods

Payment contributions towards the requested payments is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Baden Powell College. Payment can be made electronically via the Paperchase Office National portal.

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. 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. There are no refunds on any digital resources or any used stationery items.

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PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY



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 noncurriculum 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

 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.

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