

LOCKINGTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



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Year Level: Prep

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Lockington Consolidated School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Lockington Consolidated School's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

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 all your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to:

- Offer a wide range of subjects and special curriculum experiences for our students across all year levels
- Employ a gardener to maintain the school grounds on a limited basis
- Purchase of 20 Apple Ipad – allowing us to provide 1:1 technology for all students

Department of Education guidelines now mandate that schools are UNABLE to provide parents with a statement of fees. With this in mind, parents are asked to please review the recommended voluntary financial contributions schedule over the page for an indication of contributions for your child/ren.

Parent Payments 2025 Summary

Book Packs – ordered and paid through Kaka Kids online (*see last page for details*).

Contributions – Paid via Xuno, instalment plans available.

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

Yours sincerely,

James Hodgins

Principal

Kerryn Giorgianni

School Council President

2025 PREP PARENT PAYMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum, such as art supplies, science experiment equipment, cooking ingredients, technology equipment.	Suggested Amounts
<i>Year Prep classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i> • Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, beading, coloured paper, Mothers/Father's Day materials (\$30) • Discovery Time Materials (\$10) • Science – experiment Ingredients (\$5) • Mathematics – numeracy resources (\$10) • English – readers / LCS reader bag (\$25)	\$80.00
<i>Year Prep ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets</i>	\$30.00
<i>Year Prep Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$10.00
Total Curriculum Contributions Amount	\$120.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities to support the operation and objectives of Lockington Consolidated School.	Suggested Amount
<i>Student wellbeing programs</i>	\$15.00
<i>First aid equipment (tissues, Band-Aids, EpiPens, defib pads)</i>	\$5.00
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$30.00
Total Other Contributions Amount	\$50.00

EDUCATION ITEMS FOR STUDENTS TO OWN

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Kaka Kids for your child to individually own and use. If families do not provide or purchase their own educational items for their child/ren, the school will ensure your child/ren has free access to shared items at school to access the school's delivery of the curriculum.

All students need to supply the following:

- ❖ 1 x Art Smock (No participation unless provided, old shirts are an acceptable form of an art smock)

EXTRA– CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES

Lockington Consolidated 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. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (User-pays basis)	Amount
<i>School magazine/ yearbook</i>	\$20.00
<i>Optional Year Prep Bendigo Theatre Excursion</i>	\$25.00 (TBC)
<i>Optional Visiting School Performances</i>	\$18.00 (TBC)
<i>Optional Junior Excursions (Prep to Grade 2)</i>	\$50.00 (TBC)
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	\$113.00

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

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

- Secondhand uniform if available
- Camps, Sports & Excursion Funding (CSEF) available to eligible parents
- Centrepay
- Individual payment plans
- State Schools Relief support available for uniforms/footwear/calculators/textbooks
- Local community supports

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Lisa Lind (Business Manager)

Ph: 03 54862 474 | Email: lisa.lind@education.vic.gov.au

PAYMENT METHODS

Parent contributions towards the requested payments is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Lockington Consolidated School.

We offer a variety of payment methods to assist our families:

- Xuno Smartphone App (*preferred method*)
- Centrepay instalments – for eligible families (*see below*)
- Direct Deposit - *please provide office with details of what you are paying if you alter the suggested amounts*

ACC Name: Lockington Consolidated School

BSB: 063-093 **ACC:** 10000183 **REFERENCE:** Surname

Centrepay instalments are recommended for families who receive Centrelink benefits to assist with Parent Payments. Contact Lisa in the office if you would like further information about Centrepay. Centrepay is an easy and affordable way to pay off your contributions throughout the year.

The Camps Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) is available for eligible families. Application forms will be sent out at the start of 2025 for new families or newly eligible families. Parents who currently receive the CSEF and who remain eligible will automatically have their 2024 application processed by Lisa.

Parents are able to enter into confidential payment arrangements by contacting the school Business Manager Lisa Lind on 54862474 or email lisa.lind@education.vic.gov.au or the Principal James Hodgens james.hodgens@education.vic.gov.au

REFUNDS

There will be occasions students will need to withdraw from a camp or in/excursion after they have made payment. Parent's 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 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. For more information, please refer to our Refund policy listed on our school webs

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.



IMPORTANT

PLEASE COMPLETE ONLINE BY

DECEMBER 15th, 2024

Extra charge incurred after this date

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS 2025 PREP

QTY	ITEM
1	BINDER CLEARVIEW MARBIG 25MM INSERT FRONT BLACK
1	BOOK BOX MARBIG SMALL GREEN
1	DOCUMENT WALLET POLYDOC F/C VELCRO BUTTON CLEAR
4	EXERCISE BOOK WRITER 225X175MM 8MM 48PG
5	GLUE STICK ELMERS DISSAPPEARING PURPLE 40G
1	HEADPHONES MOKI DROPS BLACK
1	MANILLA FOLDERS A4 BUFF (EACH)
4	MARKER WHITE BOARD PENTEL CHISEL TIP BLUE
4	MARKER WHITE BOARD PENTEL CHISEL TIP GREEN
4	MARKER WHITE BOARD PENTEL CHISEL TIP RED
12	MARKER WHITEBOARD PENTEL CHISEL TIP BLACK
1	MARKERS CRAYOLA CLASSIC WASHABLE BROAD 10'S
5	PENCIL STAEDTLER/NORIS MAXI GRAPHITE 2B
1	PENCILS COLOURED MICADOR JUMBO TRIANGULAR 5MM LEAD PK12
3	SCRAP BOOK CONTRAST COLORFUL CRITTERS 100GSM 64PG
1	TISSUES FACIAL EXCEL 200'S
3	WRITING BOOK PREMIUM WRITER 24MM D/THIRDS 64PG
TOTAL	
\$ 82.45	

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS:

- Visit: www.shoplcs.com.au
- Go to: **PURCHASE BOOKLISTS** in menu heading
- Enter: **LCS3563** in the Guest Area
- Select the pack(s) you require for the 2025 School year
- Enter the **student's name** and then add pack to the cart.
- Proceed to checkout and complete personal and payment details
- An order confirmation will be sent to your email address

DELIVERY INFORMATION & ORDER DEADLINE:

- **PLEASE NOTE: ALL ORDERS PLACED AFTER DECEMBER 15th 2024 WILL INCUR A \$14.95 SURCHARGE FEE**
- Stationery will be **delivered directly to the classroom** prior to students arriving in 2025.
- Pack items and quantities **cannot** be changed.