



Badger Creek Primary School

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Prep 2026 Parent Payments

Dear parent/guardian,

Badger Creek Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Badger Creek Primary School's financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to ensure 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 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.

Within our school this support has allowed us to provide a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences, enhanced digital learning opportunities and a stronger connection to Country.

Student supplies will be distributed from within the classroom for day 1, 2026. Families do not need to collect stationery from the school.

Throughout the year, there may be additional events or activities that require a separate payment. Details about these will be shared with families through Compass. You'll receive a text message with a link to the permission form, where you can also make the payment quickly and easily.

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

Yours sincerely,

Scott Crawford

Principal

Jaclyn Tasker (Nov 19, 2025 12:31:41 GMT+11)

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School Council President

Compass Parent Support Steps

Paying Parent Contributions

You can confirm and pay Parent Payments in just a few steps:

1. Log in to your Compass parent portal (mobile app or web). A notification will appear on your home page if school fees are due.
2. Click the link to open the Billing Management/Payments page. Select the fee name to begin.
4. Check your summary and enter your payment details.
5. Click Pay Now to process your payment.

💡 Friendly note: Compass currently accepts VISA and MasterCard.

Making Quick Online Payments for Events and Excursions

Compass makes it easy to give consent and pay for school events in just a few minutes. Here's how:

1. Log in to your Compass parent portal (using either the mobile app or web browser). If an excursion or activity needs your consent or payment, you'll see a notification on your home page.
2. Click the link in the notification. This will take you straight to your Action Centre, where you'll find any upcoming events or excursions that require your attention.
3. Select the event you'd like to view, and the permission and payment section will open.
4. Complete the form and choose your payment method. You can select a saved card or add a new one using the 'New Credit Card' option.
5. When you're ready, click Proceed to finalise your payment.

2026 Prep Curriculum Contributions	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment such as:</i> • Shared classroom stationery, paper, posters • Mathematics – numeracy resources • English – classroom libraries, take home books • Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$25.00
<i>Visual Art – paint, crayons, glitter, coloured paper</i>	\$20.00
<i>ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets</i>	\$20.00
<i>Library – new release books including CBC award winning books</i>	\$10.00
Online Subscriptions	
<i>InitialLit – Evidence based whole class literacy program includes reading log and handwriting book</i>	\$22.00
<i>Essential Assessment - Online Maths Subscription</i>	\$15.00
<i>Reading Eggs</i>	\$20.00
<i>Mappen - Enquiry Based Learning</i>	\$20.00
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$152.00
Stationery	
Educational items for students to own:	
<i>The school recommends you purchase stationery items from Badger Creek Primary for your child to individually own and use. This will ensure all students are using the same products to assist with class organisation.</i> <i>If parents/guardians choose to provide equivalent materials themselves, this should be done in consultation with the classroom teacher, and items should meet the specifications provided by the school.</i>	\$101.00

Other Contributions	Amount
Non-curriculum items and activities	
<i>Harvest Garden</i>	\$10.00
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$10.00
<i>School Pride & Sustainability</i>	\$25.00
<i>Philanthropy</i>	\$25.00
Total Other Contributions	\$70.00

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis:

Badger Creek Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum. **These will be published within Compass Events prior to the event.**

Student Welfare	Amount
<i>Life Ed</i> <i>Cyber Safety</i> Badger Creek Primary School will provide programs to support Student Welfare at no cost to families.	<i>Nil Cost</i>

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions and Online Subscriptions	\$152.00
Student Stationary	\$101.00
Sub Total:	\$253.00
Other Contributions	\$_____
Total	\$_____

Financial Support for Families

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

- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions (CSEF)
- Flexible payment arrangements are available through Compass.

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

Meralyn Hammond Ph: 03 5962 4019 | Email: meralyn.hammond@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 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

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.

Prep 2026 Parent Payment Letter

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