

Dear parent/guardian,

John Monash Science School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of John Monash Science School's voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

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.

Without this support it becomes challenging for the School to continue to offer the wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; faster WIFI and internet, supply specialised Scientific Equipment and run more Lab Pracs which are over and above the standard curriculum funded by the Victorian Government.

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

Yours sincerely,

Peter Corkill
Principal

James Wright
School Council President



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Subject Charges - Total from Subject Page on reverse of Parent Contribution Summary Sheet</i>	\$
<i>Student ID Card, diary and handbooks</i>	\$60.00
<i>Monash Sports, Lecture Theatres and Facilities Hire</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>JMSS regularly hires Monash University Facilities to give our students access to high quality specialist facilities available on the Campus that are not available at JMSS.</i>	\$185.00
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Specialist Sports and PE Equipment</i>• <i>Classroom facilities including specialised furniture and equipment</i>• <i>Science – chemicals and equipment</i>• <i>Hi Tech Learning Technologies provision and maintenance</i>• <i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$350.00
<i>Year 12 Online Subscriptions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Vivi, Turnitin, Grammarly, Team Viewer, Canvas, Goatcodes, Fresh Services, Azure</i>	\$80.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Subscription to online Learning Programs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Accessit Library, New Scientist, Open Athens, Read Plus, Screen Cloud, Snipei, Mentimeter, iNewsletter.</i>	\$35.00
<i>Student Empowerment Programs, Careers Support & Laboratory Support</i>	\$320.00
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$5.00
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$145.00
<i>Parents and Friends Association Membership</i>	\$25.00
Tax deductible contributions	
<i>Building fund.</i> <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. Suggested donation. You may choose to assist with a different amount.</i>	\$220.00
<i>Library fund.</i> <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource. Suggested donation. You may choose to assist with a different amount.</i>	\$220.00

Total Amount	\$
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Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

John Monash Science 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**.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>IT Support Program -</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Dedicated IT support staff Help Desk to assist students and families maintain secure access to the School Portal, School Intranet and Monash University ITS</i> ● <i>Charging stations</i> ● <i>Short Term Loan devices and accessories for BYOD device breakdowns</i> 	\$135.00
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	

Financial Support for Families

John Monash Science School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
- State Schools Relief Support for uniform

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

The Business Manager or the Assistant Principal - Student Empowerment

Ph: 03 9905 1002 | Email: john.monash.ss@education.vic.gov.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

Payment methods

Payment through Compass is preferred. Itemised contributions will appear on your Compass account.

You may make payments by cash, cheque or credit card at the General Office.

If you wish to make payment by BPay please contact the General Office on 9905 1002 - General Office hours are 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

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.



2022 ADDITIONAL SCHOOL COUNCIL APPROVED PAYMENTS FOR SUBJECT CHARGES YEAR 12 SUBJECTS

SUBJECT	LEVY			REASON FOR LEVY Covers the cost of instructional support material and resources beyond the provision of the standard curriculum program
	Subject Cost	No. of Subjects	Subtotal	
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 English <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 English Literature <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 EAL <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 English Language	\$85.00 ea			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Out of hours academic support (Tutoring) Feedback from independent assessors Independent Trial Exam Marking
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Math Methods <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Specialist Mathematics <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Algorithmics <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Further Mathematics	\$10.00 ea			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Out of hours Tutors Access to specialised University Staff
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Biology	\$140.00 ea			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extensive laboratory practical work Higher cost of specialised scientific equipment and cutting edge technology Monash University Incursions
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Psychology	\$75.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extensive laboratory practical work Higher cost of specialised scientific equipment and cutting edge technology Monash University Incursions
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Physics	\$100.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extensive laboratory practical work Higher cost of specialised scientific equipment and cutting edge technology Monash University Incursions
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE Maths & Computational Physics	\$110.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialised computer software technology Math lab program
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Accounting <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Economics	\$10.00 ea			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialist Monash University Lectures Curriculum consumables
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 History <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Environmental Science <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Global Politics <input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Geography	\$15.00 ea			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialist Monash University Lectures Feedback from independent assessors Curriculum consumables
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Computing	\$35.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computing Help
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Music Performance NB Students electing Music Performance must be involved in Instrumental Music Tuition either here at JMSS or with a private tutor	\$35.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to Auralia
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Physical Education	\$120.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use of specialised sporting equipment and facilities at Monash University
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 French	\$55.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Materials Language Assistants
<input type="checkbox"/> VCE 3&4 Japanese	\$55.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Materials Language Assistants
<input type="checkbox"/> Extended Investigation	\$105.00			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to Monash University mentors Monash University Incursions Use of specialised labs
SUBJECTS CHARGE TOTAL	\$			Verified Staff Code: _____ Signature _____

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.