



16 October 2024

Dear parents and guardians,

As we look forward to another great year of teaching and learning together, we would like to advise you of Hazel Glen College'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 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 an enriched learning and teaching program for every student and is highly valued by our community. The commitment from parents to contribute benefits students and results in improved achievement outcomes, wellbeing, and engagement in learning. At Hazel Glen College, we design and develop learning and teaching programs drawing on the best educational knowledge and practices and strive to offer broad and enriched opportunities to students that are above and beyond what is required in the standard curriculum and what is provided by the Government funding. Our School Council is proud of the excellent quality of our facilities and resources available for our students to enjoy and few schools match the numerous programs we offer to cater for students' needs and interests.

For detailed information of the 2025 Parent Payment Policy, please refer to our website: <u>Curriculum</u> Contributions – Hazel Glen College (hgc.vic.edu.au)

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

Thank you for your continued support and for being an integral part of our school community. We look forward to another fantastic year together.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Stockwell

College Principal

Greg Davis

College Council President





#### 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.



<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Year 5 Classroom consumables, materials & equipment  Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$10)  STEAM – (\$10)  Mathematics – numeracy blocks (\$10)  English – book boxes (\$10)  Sports – equipment (\$10)	\$50.00
Year 5 Online Subscriptions  JAMF (\$10) Seesaw (\$10)	\$20.00
Year 5 Stationery– List Attached	\$22.00
Year 5 Whole School Event  • House Performing Arts Day	\$10.00
Year 5 Student ID Card	\$12.00
Year 5 Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$27.00
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$141.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
First Aid Equipment	\$5.00
Schools Sport Victoria Membership	\$4.00
Student and Parent Communication Tools	\$5.00
Total Other Contributions	\$14.00

#### Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school request you purchase from for your child to individually own and use.

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

Hazel Glen College 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.

### **Financial Support for Families**

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
- referring families to government or community support programs
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
- School Saving Bonus (SSB)





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

#### Margie Bott

Ph: 03 97177500 | Email: accounts.receivable@hazelglencollege.com

Category	Amount
Curriculum Contributions	\$141.00
Other Contributions	\$14.00
Total	\$155.00

#### **Payment methods**

### Please pay via one of the methods below

- Compass
- Bpay Payments can be accepted (Please contact Margie in the College Administration Office to obtain your Family Bpay Biller Code)
- Credit Card Payment via Telephone

#### 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.





# Student Stationery List for 2025 Year 5

The <u>College</u> will provide students with the following stationery items. Please note these will be given to your child's classroom teacher in 2025.

- 1 Student Diary
- 2 Scrapbook 64pg 100gsm
- 5 Exercise Book
- 2 Grid Book A4 10 mm
- 2 Repositionable Notes Marbig 75 x 75mm
- 1 Music Book

We ask that <u>parents</u> supply students with the following stationery items. Please send these with your child at the start of 2025.

- 1 Large Pencil Case
- 2 Eraser
- 1 Scissors
- 1 Sharpener Pencil Metal Double Hole
- 2 Ruler 30cm Wooden
- 2 Fineliner 0.4mm Black Pen
- 2 Coloured Pencils Assorted Pk 12
- 4 HB Grey Lead Pencil
- 1 Coloured Markers Assorted Pk 12
- 1 Highlighter (any colour)
- 2 Purple Ballpoint Pen
- 2 Red Ballpoint Pen
- 6 Blue Ballpoint Pen
- 2 Glue Stick 36gm
- 2 Whiteboard Marker Chisel Black
- 1 180 Degree Protractor