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Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re: Educational Contributions 2020** 

The importance of Digital Technologies / STEM / Robotics is a key improvement strategy we are continuing to build upon in 2020. The opening of our new STEM facility and our desire to provide a range of resources and teaching materials that help to draw out the talents, passions and abilities of every child through curiosity and creativity are key components to next year's financial contributions. Edithvale Primary School relies on support from families through the payment of educational and voluntary contributions.

This financial support enables our school to provide a wide range of curriculum programs, and maintain and develop facilities and services such as the Digital Technologies / STEM / Robotics programs. The School Council has decided on the 2020 educational contributions (set out on the following table), along with your 2020 booklist. Each year we re-classify some payments to reflect the evolving Victorian Curriculum.

Essential Education Items (ESLI) are items, activities or services the School deems essential to student learning of the standard curriculum, not totally funded through the Department of Education and Training.

**Optional Items (OI)** are items, activities or services that are **optional** and are offered in addition to the standard curriculum. Students may access these on a user-pays basis.

**Voluntary Charges (VFC)** are discretionary contributions, essential for us to maintain a safe, healthy and vibrant school environment for your children.

Please order your booklist supplies (and pay your financial contributions if possible) through Winc (formerly OfficeMax), as outlined in the attached paperwork. Financial contributions can also be made by QKR, cash, cheque or debit/credit card at the school's office. If you order your booklist supplies before 2 December, you will receive free shipping of the Essential Student learning items; after 2 December there is a delivery fee of \$12.95.

Our Parent Payment Policy, along with further relevant information can be found on our school's website: <a href="https://www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au">www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au</a>

The School is sensitive to parents and guardians who may be experiencing financial difficulties therefore we are happy to discuss alternatives on an individual basis. A number of support options are also available to parents including the school's second—hand uniform shop, State Schools Relief and the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund.

To find out more or make suitable arrangements, please contact the Principal, **Mr James Whitla** or Acting Assistant Principal **Ms Jaime Rohan** in confidence by phone on <u>9772 1393</u> or email on <u>edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>
If making contact via email, please mark your email confidential and to the attention of **Mr Whitla** or **Ms Rohan**. We assure you that your child will not miss out on opportunities offered at School because of financial hardship.

Yours sincerely

Mr James Whitla Mr Steve Smith

Principal School Council President



## **EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **EDUCATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS 2020**

Section 1: ESSENTIAL STU		
Curriculum	Digital Technologies \$120.00	
Consumables & Support	Visual Art Materials \$20.00	\$165
	Photocopying & Inquiry Resources \$25.00	
Individual	The attached Booklist outlines the specific stationery	
Student	supplies your child needs (purchased from Winc online).	\$85 - \$105
Requisites	The cost of the booklist varies at different year levels.	
Section 2: OPTIONAL ITEMS (OI)		
	Mangahigh - Maths Program	\$10
	Swimming Program	\$75 F to 2 / \$90 Y3 to 6
	Resilience Project Manual (for Student Wellbeing)	\$19
	Writers Notebook	\$7
	Camps/Excursions/Incursions/Activities will incur costs for	\$various
	participation throughout the year.	
Section 3: VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS (VFC)		For Example
<b>Education Support</b>	To support French, Physical Education and generalist	\$150 per child
	classroom programs which are provided for your child.	
Student First Aid Care	To maintain a safe & healthy environment; this money is	\$35 per child
	used to train staff and provide supplies needed for	
	immediate first aid needs.	
Buildings	To contribute to the servicing and maintenance of all	\$35 per child
	school buildings.	
Grounds	To be used to help bring our Landscaping Master Plan to	\$35 per child
	life, including our proposed synthetic oval.	



Please order and pay for your booklist online with Winc (see booklist for details).

You can pay your financial contributions via Winc also, or they can be paid on **Qkr**.

Various charges incurred throughout the year should be paid on **Qkr**, if possible.