



2021 Parent Payment Arrangements – Year 9

Dear Parent / Carer,

After a challenging year for our community, Glen Eira College is looking forward to continuing our tradition of delivering high quality education and wellbeing programs for our students in 2021. To support our school in delivering these programs, we would like to advise you of Glen Eira College's parent payment arrangements for 2021.

Glen Eira College works hard every year to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all families. Your contributions support our ability to meet the diverse need of our students, and to ensure our teaching staff are equipped with great materials and facilities to run programs successfully.

Please find the fee schedule for year 9 attached.

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund*
- *Payment instalment options are available and will be deducted on the following dates*
 - **Monday 7th December 2020**
 - **Monday 1st February 2021**
 - **Monday 15th March 2021**
- *Payment plans* - for a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

GABRIELLE DARVELL Business Manager (Nominated Parent Payments contact)

Ph: 03 9571 7838 | Email: gabrielle.darvell@education.vic.gov.au

Payment Methods

Xuno Portal, BPAY, cash, credit card in person or over the phone.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one page overview available on our website.

Yours sincerely,

Sheereen Kindler
Principal

Nathan Horrigan
Treasurer School Council



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Fee schedule – Year 9

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. Glen Eira College also continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for 2021. Please note Additional school charges may arise during the year.

A 10% discount on Essential Student Learning Items applies if full payment is made on or before 28th February 2021 or a payment plan has been entered into prior to this date.

Please complete your payments via the XUNO portal or by contacting the school if you wish to use one of our other payment methods to confirm the amount owing.

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. You may choose to purchase these items through the school or provide your own. ^

| Essential Student Learning Items | \$ Amount |
|---|--------------|
| Printing – Papercut | 50 |
| Student planner | 15 |
| Locker | 30 |
| eLearning Including Math Space, Library e-books | 21 |
| Competitions – Maths and Geography | 12 |
| Whole School Sport Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Separate permission slip included | 20 |
| Incursions | |
| Author Visit | 5 |
| Elevate Educate – Memory Mnemonics | 10 |
| Cyber Safety | 10 |
| Reach Foundation | 22 |
| WheelTalk | 5 |
| Total | \$200 |

^Note: Parents may choose to provide or purchase some items themselves. If you choose to do this you must consult with the school so that your child has the right items. There may be some items or services you cannot purchase yourself. All the items listed above cannot be sourced by parents.



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Optional Items

Glen Eira College offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child.

| Optional Item | Amount |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Instrumental Music (Price dependent on instrument) Piano (\$800.00 per semester) Guitar, Flute, Brass, Woodwind (Saxophone, Clarinet), Drums, Strings, Voice (\$300.00 per semester) Instrument Hire (\$100.00 per annum if available) | <i>Separate fees included on Xuno</i> |
| Electives | |
| VCD | 20 |
| Visual Arts | 20 |
| Food Technology | 30 |
| Product Design Technology | 14 |

Voluntary Contributions

Glen Eira College continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school.

You can make a general voluntary contribution (a suggested amount is \$140 per student) which supports the college across a range of areas such as providing additional activities and services for all students and enabling continued investment in our technology infrastructure.

In addition, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities, such as facilities and maintenance and/or our building fund as outlined in the table below:

| Voluntary Contribution | Tax deductible? | Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family | Amount |
|--|-----------------|---|--------|
| General Contributions | No | 140 | |
| Facilities and maintenance | No | 50 | |
| Building Fund | Yes | 50 | |
| <i>School council has established tax-deductible gift recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office for the Building Fund</i> | | | |

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

Parent Payment Charges

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|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Essential Student Learning Items | Amount _____ |
| Optional Items | Amount _____ |
| Voluntary financial contribution | Amount _____ |
| | TOTAL _____ |



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***Camps Sports and Excursions Fund**

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like school camps or trips, swimming and school-organised sport programs, outdoor education programs, excursions and incursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$225 per year is paid for eligible secondary school students. A special consideration eligibility category also exists. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student.

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Applications can be received over term one and two. Payments are for the application year and cannot be claimed for previous years.

Refunds

Our school will consider requests for partial or full refunds of payments made by parents on a case by case basis taking into account the individual circumstances. Generally we will not be able to refund payments made for items purchased or costs that have already been paid where those funds have already been transferred to a third party. For example, camp costs when a child becomes unwell and cannot attend in circumstances where the payment has already been made or committed to a third party and no refund is available to the school. Where possible, we will make this clear to parents at the time of payment.

Refunds will only be given when requested in writing within the year in which the event is held. This may include Camps and Excursions, Music Program and Fees when a student is leaving the school.

The Principal and Business Manager (nominated parent payment contact) will consider special circumstances on an individual basis, and may consult with the Student Wellbeing Leader.