



PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES 2021

Prep – Grade 2

October 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Ballarat North Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our parent payment arrangements for 2021.

Attached is a list of fees and charges for 2021. In today's environment we rely on parent contributions to supplement what is provided by the government to provide the level of education you expect for your children. As always, we endeavour to keep costs to a minimum and appreciate the strong financial support provided by our school community.

The Department of Education and Training (DET) provides funding to schools for the standard curriculum programs and associated education items, equipment and operational costs. However items that are for the exclusive use of students whilst completing their educational course (eg. personal stationery items, classroom project materials etc.) are designated 'essential education items' and students require all of these items to cover a year of learning.

Student Stationery Packs for 2021

Ballarat North Primary School Council has engaged KaKa Kids School Supplies to supply individual book packs for each student in their year level. The pack includes pens, pencils, textas, stationery and exercise books. The school is able to provide these items GST free, allowing a bulk ordering system at discounted prices. Each student is provided with the same stationery pack, making this method more equitable and easier for parents. All items are carefully selected by the teachers for their suitability for your child's use during their year of studies.

The school administration and School Council work very hard to provide parents with access to high quality, reasonably priced stationery. By buying these packs in bulk we have managed to save approximately \$30-\$50 for each student based on costs from previous years. We aim for all families to purchase the stationery packs through the school. Parents who do not wish to do so must consult the school about appropriate materials.

Stationery packs will be available for collection from Penberthy Hall on Wednesday 27th January & Thursday 28th January between the hours of 10am – 6pm. Packs must be paid for before collection.

Payment Methods

Parent contributions towards the requested payments is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Ballarat North Primary School. All Parent Payment Charges are itemised on Qkr! and included with this letter. We offer a variety of payment methods to assist our families:

- Qkr! (easy to use payment app available to download on any mobile device or website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet)
- Eftpos - available at the office (Office hours 8:30am – 4:30pm)
- BPay – your individual reference number is on your Family Statement
- Centrepay – available to families who receive a Centrelink benefit
- Cash

Financial Support for Families

Ballarat North Primary School understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- The Camps Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) is available for eligible families. Application forms will be available at the office at the start of the year. Parents who currently receive the CSEF and who remain eligible will automatically have their 2021 application processed.
- Access to **State School's Relief Committee** for school uniforms
- Centrepay instalments are available for families who receive Centrelink benefits to assist with Parent Payments. Please contact the office if you would like further information about Centrepay. Centrepay is an easy and affordable way to pay off your fees throughout the year. Application forms are available at the office. Alternately you can contact Centrepay on 1800 044 063 or online at:

<http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/centrelink/centrepay>

The schools Centrepay reference number is 555 132 150S

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact Dean Banova, Principal or Fiona Jenkins, Business Manager, on 5333 3387 or ballaratnth.ps@education.vic.gov.au. Any information about your financial circumstances, payment arrangements or status will be kept strictly confidential.

Refunds

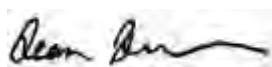
Our school will consider requests for partial or full refunds of payments made by parents on a case-by-case basis taking into account the individual circumstances. Generally we will not be able to refund payments made for items purchased or costs that have already been paid where those funds have already 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.

Please find the fee schedules for Years Prep-2 attached. Please complete the form and return it to the school by 10 December 2020. Payment can be made at any time with the final day for payment being 28th January 2021.

If you have any questions relating to 2021 Parent Payments, Centrepay or CSEF please contact Fiona Jenkins or Katrina Brown in the Office on 5333 3387.

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

Yours sincerely,



Dean Banova
Principal



Janette Thomas
School Council President

FEE SCHEDULE 2021 - PREP – GRADE 2

STUDENT NAME: _____ 2021 YEAR LEVEL _____

Please return this page with your Payment

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. Ballarat North Primary School also continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for 2021.

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY – ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2021

Please complete this form and return no later than Thursday 10th DECEMBER 2020
Full payment for Student Stationery Packs can be made at any time and must be received before packs can be collected.

Payment plans are available. Please contact the Office to make arrangements by 10th December 2020.

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. Payment is required by 28th January 2021.

Essential Student Learning Items		Amount	Paid
Student Stationery Pack	See itemised list attached	Prep \$71.00	
	Stationery packs will be available for collection on Wednesday 27 th January and Thursday 28 th January from Penberthy Hall between the hours of 10am & 6pm.	Grade 1 \$58.00	
		Grade 2 \$56.00	
On Line Learning Subscriptions	Includes Seesaw, Sunshine Online and Mathletics. These subscriptions provide access to online resources that support curriculum learning.	\$28.00	
Consumables for Art	Includes paints, craft paper, clay, paper mache, crayons, textiles, glitter, glue & cardboard	\$20.00	
Excursion Pre Payment	The Excursion Pre Payment will cover the cost of most excursions and incursions organised as part of the classroom program and will cover most events (excluding camps) leading up to the end of the year. When the \$150 is expended families will be charged per excursion after this time. Please note - Families may choose not to pay this pre-payment and pay for each excursion when the permission notes are sent out.	\$150 per student Or Pay as you go	
		TOTAL	\$

Optional Items

Ballarat North Primary School 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 Items	Approximate Amount
School Magazine (available to purchase in term 4)	\$10.00

Voluntary Contributions

Ballarat North Primary School continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school. You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all of our school's important priorities for 2021 as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.

Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

Voluntary Contribution	Amount
Library (to help purchase Library Books)	Minimum \$10 or Please nominate amount \$_____
School Assistance Fund This fund is to provide Essential Education Items or Optional Items for families at our school unable to purchase these items due to demonstrated financial hardship.	Minimum \$10 or Please nominate amount \$_____
Playground Masterplan Works Following student and parent consultation a masterplan has been created to develop a range of projects around our school. Your contribution will help support our plans.	Minimum \$10 or Please nominate amount \$_____

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

Essential Student Learning Items

Total Amount _____

Optional Items

Total Amount _____

Voluntary Contribution

Total Amount _____

TOTAL \$_____

I WISH TO PAY USING THE FOLLOWING METHOD: (Please ✓)





EFTPOS

CASH

CENTREPAY

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM BY THURSDAY DECEMBER 10TH 2020. PAYMENT MUST BE FINALISED BY JANUARY 28TH 2021. STATIONERY PACKS MUST BE PAID FOR BEFORE COLLECTION.

STUDENT STATIONERY PACK

PREP 2021

Stationery packs will be available for collection on Wednesday 27th January & Thursday 28th January 2021 from Penberthy Hall between the hours of 10am and 6pm. Packs must be paid for (or payment plans arranged) before collection.

LINE	QTY	ITEM
1	1	ART FOLIO A2 KRAFT GLUED NO FLAP
2	1	BINDER 4R A4 38MM BEAUTONE INSERT BLACK
3	2	COPY PAPER A4 AUSTRALIAN BRIGHT WHITE 80GSM
4	7	GLUE STICK STAEDTLER 36GM
5	1	HEADPHONES MICADOR MCONNECT
6	1	KLUWELL MY HOME READING
7	2	MARKER FABER CONNECTOR WALLET 12
8	9	PENCIL FABER JUNIOR GRIP 2B
9	3	PENCILS COLOURED FABER TRI GRIP SUPER THICK 3.8MM LEADS PK10
10	1	SCISSORS STAEDTLER NORRIS CLUB SAFETY 14CM
11	5	SCRAP BOOK CONTRAST COLORFUL CRITTERS 100GSM 64PG
12	1	SHEET PROTECTORS C/LAND A4 COPY SAFE H/ DUTY PK50
13	2	STORY BOOK WRITER PREMIUM 24MM RULED 330X240MM 64PG
14	2	WRITING BOOK PREMIUM WRITER 24MM D/THIRDS 64PG
		TOTAL COST \$71.00



STUDENT STATIONERY PACK

GRADE 1 2021

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LINE	QTY	ITEM
1	1	ART FOLIO A2 KRAFT GLUED NO FLAP
2	1	BINDER 4R A4 38MM BEAUTONE INSERT BLACK
3	2	COPY PAPER A4 AUSTRALIAN BRIGHT WHITE 80GSM
4	1	DIARY COLLINS SCHOOL SC37
5	1	DOCUMENT WALLET PP BUTTON CLOSURE A4 L/S CLEAR
6	1	DOCUMENT WALLET SLIMPICK YELLOW
7	2	ERASER STAEDTLER LARGE WITH SLEEVE
8	1	FLASH DRIVE SWIVEL TOP 8GB
9	6	GLUE STICK STAEDTLER 36GM
10	2	MARKER FABER CONNECTOR WALLET 12
11	8	PENCIL FABER JUNIOR GRIP HB
12	1	PENCILS COLOURED FABER TRI GRIP 12'S
13	1	RULER WOODEN CM & MM - 30CM
14	1	SCISSORS STAEDTLER NORRIS CLUB HOBBY 17CM
15	5	SCRAP BOOK CONTRAST COLORFUL CRITTERS 100GSM 64PG
16	1	SHARPENER METAL 2 HOLE
17	1	SHEET PROTECTORS C/LAND A4 COPY SAFE H/ DUTY PK50
18	5	WRITING BOOK PREMIUM WRITER 18MM D/THIRDS 64PG
		TOTAL COST \$58.00

ESSENTIAL ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Please make sure your child also has an art smock and a pair of headphones. These items may have already been purchased from last year.

Please bring these items and the Stationery Pack to school on Friday 29th January 2021 when classes begin. Thank you.



STUDENT STATIONERY PACK

GRADE 2 2021

Stationery packs will be available for collection on Wednesday 27th January & Thursday 28th January 2021 from Penberthy Hall between the hours of 10am and 6pm. Packs must be paid for (or payment plans arranged) before collection.

LINE	QTY	ITEM
1	1	ART FOLIO A2 KRAFT GLUED NO FLAP
2	1	BINDER 4R A4 38MM BEAUTONE INSERT BLACK
3	2	COPY PAPER A4 AUSTRALIAN BRIGHT WHITE 80GSM
4	1	DIARY COLLINS SCHOOL SC37
5	1	DOCUMENT WALLET PP BUTTON CLOSURE A4 L/S CLEAR
6	1	DOCUMENT WALLET SLIMPICK YELLOW
7	2	ERASER STAEDTLER LARGE WITH SLEEVE
8	6	GLUE STICK STAEDTLER 36GM
9	2	MARKER FABER CONNECTOR WALLET 12
10	1	MEMO BLOCK -75X75MM WHITE 480 SHEETS IN CLEAR CASE
11	8	PENCIL FABER JUNIOR GRIP HB
12	1	PENCILS COLOURED FABER TRI GRIP 12'S
13	1	RULER WOODEN CM & MM - 30CM
14	1	SCISSORS STAEDTLER NORRIS CLUB HOBBY 17CM
15	5	SCRAP BOOK CONTRAST COLORFUL CRITTERS 100GSM 64PG
16	1	SHARPENER METAL 2 HOLE
17	1	SHEET PROTECTORS C/LAND A4 COPY SAFE H/ DUTY PK50
18	5	WRITING BOOK PREMIUM WRITER 18MM D/THIRDS 64PG
		TOTAL COST \$56.00

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Please make sure your child also has an art smock and a pair of headphones. These items may have already been purchased from last year.

Please bring these items and the Stationery Pack to school on Friday 29th January 2021 when classes begin. Thank you.