

18 November 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We would like to advise you of Fitzroy High School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary.

Annual Voluntary Contributions are essential in ensuring we can offer the best possible education learning and wellbeing opportunities for our students. Parent contributions have enabled us to offer more subjects and special curriculum experiences; expanded access to excursions and incursions; supported our wellbeing and inclusion programs; and provided the opportunity for students to achieve their preferred individual pathway beyond school. Contributions have provided enhanced digital learning opportunities, library resources and contributed to needed upgrades of our facilities.

Your support of our school, through your annual voluntary financial contributions, through putting up your hand when you have a spare moment for fundraising, and in many other activities, makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. We deeply appreciate your support.

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

Fitzroy High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options and payment plans, which you can read more about on the following pages.

We look forward to working with all our Fitzroy High School families next year to support your child's learning, engagement and wellbeing.

Yours sincerely,



*Adam Cribbes*  
*Principal*



*Loren Trad*  
*School Council President*

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<b>Academic Materials &amp; Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Subject specific learning materials, equipment and activities– English, Mathematics, Humanities, Languages, Science, Arts, Performing Arts, Technology, Food Studies, Health, Physical Education and Sport</i></li> <li>• <i>Student Photocopying and Printing</i></li> <li>• <i>Student ID Card and Online Planner</i></li> <li>• <i>Library Services and Resources.</i></li> <li>• <i>Digital Technologies – provision and upkeep of school devices, peripherals and ICT – devices owned by the school, class sets, device configuration, maintenance and server/system costs</i></li> </ul>	\$450
<b>Whole school events including</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Athletics Carnival</i></li> <li>• <i>Swimming Carnival</i></li> <li>• <i>Other House events</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	\$450

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>First Aid Equipment</i></li> <li>• <i>School Grounds Maintenance and Improvements</i></li> <li>• <i>Compass Student and Parent Communication Tool</i></li> <li>• <i>Lockers/Locker Maintenance</i></li> <li>• <i>School Sport Victoria</i></li> <li>• <i>Student Wellbeing Programs</i></li> </ul>	\$75
Total Other Contributions Amount	\$75
<b>Student Support Fund</b> – This fund financially supports students in need with their involvement in school programs. In 2025 this supported many families in financial hardship. <b>If electing to contribute insert amount (Suggest \$50 - \$100)</b>	\$

Tax deductible contributions	Suggested Contribution	Your Amount
<b>Building Fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. School Council recommends a contribution towards the Building Fund of \$180 per child. <i>(Insert amount if you wish to make tax deductible contributions)</i>	Suggested tax-deductible contribution <b>\$180</b>	
<b>Library Fund</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other	Suggested tax-	

equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource. School Council recommends a contribution towards the Library Fund of \$180 per child <i>(Insert amount if you wish to make tax deductible contributions)</i>	deductible contribution <b>\$180</b>	
<b>TOTAL tax-deductible contributions</b>	<b>\$360</b>	\$

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

Fitzroy High 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 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 and return this to the school by 12 December 2025.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Year Level Camp - <i>Variable cost per activity</i>	Variable cost To be advised
Private Music Lessons – Please contact the school for the Instrumental Music Program Enrolment Form	\$1580
Other Incursions and Excursions scheduled - <i>Variable cost per activity</i>	Variable cost To be advised
Interschool Sports Program 2026 – <i>Variable cost per activity</i>	Variable cost To be advised
<b>Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>\$</b>

TOTALS: Category	Amount
Curriculum Contributions	<b>\$450</b>
Other Contributions	<b>\$75</b>
Non-Tax deductible Contributions (Student Support Fund)	\$
Tax Deductible Contributions (Building Fund, Library Fund)	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (add Private Music Lessons)	\$
<b>Your Total Payment</b>	<b>\$</b>

## Payment methods

### Compass

Access the Payments Centre at the top right of your parent portal. This allows you to pay online by credit card. Payment can be made in full or by selecting one of the payment plan options (full payment, 10, 4 or 2 equal payments). Please feel free to call the office to discuss other payment plan options.

### Direct Deposit

Funds may be credited to our school bank account. It is essential that you include a reference for the school that includes your Family Code (*same as your Compass id*) or your Student Name and a brief description of what the payment is for e.g. "BAR0002 year 7 Contributions" or "Will Smith year 7 Contributions" etc.

Our bank details are:

**Westpac**

**BSB 033 048**

**Account Number 203019**

### In person or by phone

Pay by cash or card at the office or over the phone – 9488 1900. Please bring this form if making payment at school.

### Credit card payment form

You may choose to return this form to the General Office – single use only – details are securely shredded after first use.

Please take payment from the following card	
Card Type	_____ Visa / Master Card (Please circle selected card type)
Card Number	_____ _____
Card Expiry Date	____ / ____      CCV Number ____ (last 3 digits on the signature line)
Full Name on Card	_____
Amount to be debited	\$ _____
Cardholder's Signature:	_____

## Educational items for students to own

A list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Campion booksellers for your child to individually own and use can be found at the address below. This includes digital text resources that can only be purchased from Campion, the preferred booklist supplier (access to these resources is provided to students by the school). All other items can be purchased from your preferred suppliers.

How to access and make your order online-

Year 7 Booklist [Click Here to purchase online](#) use Q2HP as the code

Or enter <https://order.campion.com.au/validate> in your browser

**Orders placed by Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December will be delivered to your home prior to 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

## Financial Support for Families

*Fitzroy High School is committed to the wellbeing and full participation of every student. Fitzroy High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:*

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- *State Schools Relief (SSR)*
- *Flexible payment arrangements for voluntary and other contributions*
- *Student Support Fund. Donated funds by current families to support the student support fund for other families*

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, or to discuss applications for the Student Support Fund contact:

*Tijana Trebus, Finance Officer*

Ph: 03 9488 1900 | Email: [Accounts@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au](mailto:Accounts@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au)

## 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 Payments Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

## 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 requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- 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.