



INCORPORATING:
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Lardner, Tetoora Road.

LARDNER AND DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL No 5393

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Dear **Parents**,

Lardner & District Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the voluntary financial contributions schedule for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum. 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's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school, your support in 2025 allowed us to:

- Build a new Basketball court
- Complete the landscape at the front of the school
- Purchase new furniture for both Purple and Red Room
- Increase casual teacher relief in case of staff absences, lessening the impact on students

In 2026 we would like to further develop engaging learning tasks and opportunities

- Continue to upgrade the selection of decodable books for developing readers
- Establish student wellbeing further with the introduction of 'The resilience project' and an on site Psychologist service

On the following pages parents will find a stationery list (booklists) for students that parents are requested to provide. This involves providing a pencil case, textas, pencils, ruler, etc and can be re-used from the previous year. You will also find our School Voluntary Financial Contributions Schedule for 2026, which includes an overview of what your contributions will go towards.

Department of Education guidelines now mandate that schools are unable to provide parents with a statement of fees. With this in mind, parents are asked to please review the recommended voluntary financial contributions schedule below for an indication of contributions for your child/ren.

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

Yours sincerely,

Jane King
Principal

Jaime Awty
School Council President



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2026 VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE ITEM	Annual Amount per STUDENT
CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS - Sustainability - Whole school events - assemblies - ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets - Online subscriptions – Little Learners Love Literacy - Essential Assessment - Student led projects - Cooking Ingredients - Headset: Replaced as required - Concert	\$90
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS - Student wellbeing programs - Eco- Garden - First aid equipment	\$30
TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS (per family) – Please nominate an amount of your choice -	\$30
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – User pays basis (charged at time of event) -Camps -Excursions -Other events	

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PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

FAMILY NAME _____

ITEM	Item Amount	Number of students in your family	Annual Amount per FAMILY
Curriculum Consumables	\$90		\$
Other Contributions	\$30		\$
Tax Deductible Contributions	\$30		\$
TOTAL FAMILY CONTRIBUTION			\$



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2026 EDUCATIONAL ITEMS For Students to own - Grade One

Below is a list of items each student requires at school.

Families can purchase these items at Select Office Supplies Warragul or Officeworks.

Item & Quantity	Item Specifications
Student Learning Packs	
 1	<i>Little Learners Reading Diary- To be purchased at school office \$8</i>
 x4	<i>2B Grey lead Pencil</i>
 x2	<i>Coloured Pencils - Staedtler Norris Maxi Learner 10pk or Faber-Castell Jumbo Colour Pencils 12 Pack</i>
 x4	<i>Staedtler Lumo Colour Whiteboard Marker – Black bullet tip</i>
 x3	<i>Large Glue sticks</i>

*We ask that all items remain un-named and are bought to school on the first day

- Please find on the previous page the Lardner & District Primary School 2026 Voluntary Contributions Schedule.
- We ask families to contribute where possible.



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Curriculum Contributions

Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum, including:

- Computer applications where our students have their own individual password –
- Everyday items that your child will use in the classroom to learn the essential curriculum such as art supplies, science experiment equipment, cooking ingredients, technology materials

Other Contributions

Non-Curriculum items and activities to support the daily operation and objectives of Lardner & District Primary School.

Tax Deductible Contributions

Tax deductible contributions made per family towards Lardner & District Primary School

- Building fund (to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure)
- Library (to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource)

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

These are provided on a user-pays basis.

Details of these items and activities will be provided to students and families throughout the year.

Educational items for students

A list of items that each individual student requires for school.

Items can be purchased from Warragul Select Office Supplies and or Officeworks for your child.

Financial Support for Families

Lardner & District Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- State Schools' Relief provides financial support for eligible families to purchase clothing/uniforms at a reduced rate
- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Jane King, Principal or Heather Roberts (Business Manager) on 03 5626 1303, or email lardner.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Payment methods

Parent contributions towards the requested payments is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Lardner & District Primary School. **Payment can be made electronically via direct deposit or via Sentral.** Please note Banking details below and Reference your surname:

Lardner & District Primary School

BSB: 083 001

Acc: 310 452 803

Please make payment between January 1 and January 20, 2026.

Payment can be made electronically via direct deposit or via Sentral.

Alternatively, cash payments can be made directly at the Office with correct money only.

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



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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.