

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES 2026

Dear Parents, Guardians/Carers

To enrich the educational opportunities available to your child, under the Education Act, the Department of Education regulations state that a school may establish funds to assist in the purchase of library materials, sporting equipment, extra art/craft materials, stationery, learning aids and other incidental materials that support the school's learning program. This letter outlines all contributions and charges that may be incurred by parents for the education of their child in the following year. The Aveley Primary School Board has endorsed the following schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2026.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The voluntary contributions for 2026 for students from Pre-primary to Year 6 are \$50 per child. The voluntary contribution for kindergarten students is \$60 per child (\$15 per term). The payment of contributions for students in Kindergarten to Year 6 contributes to photocopying \$5, work/exercise books \$5, reading/library books \$5, stationery \$10, craft materials, \$5 and sporting equipment, \$10. An additional \$10 for craft materials is requested for kindergarten students. The contributions supplement the funding gained from other sources including annual school grant, P&C funding as well as State and Federal Government grants. Parents/Carers are welcome to pay their voluntary contributions when paying for their child's personal items (booklist) or at the Administration Office at the beginning of the 2026 school year.

While the contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning program is maximised when each family makes its contribution.

CHARGES FOR EXTRA COST OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

The term 'charges' refers to the provision of extra cost optional activities which are a part of the educational program and which voluntary contributions do not cover. All the following are optional and if no payment is received, an educational activity with a similar outcome will be provided to that student. The 2026 extra cost optional activities have been approved by School Board. The estimated costs provided are at an upper limit and will not exceed this amount. **These costs will occur only if the activity is actually undertaken.**

Details on charges collected in previous years have helped guide the Charges Schedule 2026. Payments must be made <u>prior</u> to the event unless payment arrangements have been made, please speak to the classroom teacher, Principal or Manager Corporate Services for further information.

CHARGES SCHEDULE 2026

ITEM	K	Р	1	2	3	4	5	6
Excursions	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	100.00	100.00
Aust Mathematics Competition					10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Incursions	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00
Performing Arts (Incursions and excursions)		25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Class Photos	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Swimming		80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00
Interschool Sport			30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
BYOD Apps					20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Yr. 6 Camp								450.00
Deposit for Yr 6 Camp							50.00	
Graduation Events								75.00
Graduation T-Shirts								60.00
NAIDOC	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Languages - Indonesian Cooking/Excursions/Incursions			10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	60.00	20.00
Total	235.00	340.00	380.00	380.00	410.00	420.00	550.00	1045.00

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Did you know you can make a DONATION to the school?

You may wish to support a particular project or learning area at the school via a donation. Donations to the school are tax deductible. If you would like to donate to a particular area of the school, please contact the Manager of Corporate Services.

OTHER OPTIONAL COSTS

- PEAC ~ Participation in PEAC is subject to a selection process. Courses are conducted at various schools. The total cost to a student is dependent on the number and type of courses selected during the year. Costs for courses range from \$10 \$300 for the year.
- School of Instrumental Music Program ~ Taught by visiting teachers from the Department of Education School of Instrumental Music to selected Year 5 and Year 6 students. Cost of the hire of instruments is \$125.00 for 2026. Please anticipate additional costs for the purchase of books.
- **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)** ~ Students in Years 3 6 have an opportunity to utilise their own mobile learning device at school. Minimum specifications are required. Information is available to families on enrolment at our school.

PERSONAL ITEMS LIST (Booklist)

The charges for the personal items list will vary between year levels and includes:

- Student requirements essential for the educational program, e.g., stationery items, calculator.
- Student requirements essential for successful management of the classroom, e.g., tissues, art shirt.

A list of materials your child will require for the start of the year has been developed by staff and distributed. The <u>Personal Items</u> <u>List</u> is supported by Campion. It may be necessary to replace some items such as pens, glue, and pencils, throughout the year. Parents are asked to check these each term and replenish where necessary.

The listed Personal Items can be purchased through the suggested supplier or a supplier of your own choice.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- The payment of the voluntary contribution is preferred at the beginning of the year; however, it may be paid by instalments at the beginning of each term. The payment can be made through Campion when ordering your Personal Items List, through the front office by cash, EFTPOS or by internet bank transfer.
- The school bank details are:

Aveley Primary School BSB: 016-352 Account number 1839 11914

Please ensure you include your name in the description when using the internet banking option.

- Charges for Extra Cost Optional Items are advertised on CONNECT and by a separate note and are paid prior to the event.
- High-cost activities such as the camp charges may be paid off over a period of time if a payment plan is arranged in advance with the Principal. The goal is to make sure we do everything we can to include all students in all activities.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

The Aveley Primary School P&C Association holds several fundraising events throughout the year. The school will conduct a variety of activities throughout the year including some on behalf of community and charity organisations.

Parents who wish to comment on any of the information supplied are welcome to contact the Principal or write to our School Board.

We are seeking to provide the very best education, supported by resources, for our children at Aveley Primary School and thank you in advance for the payment of these contributions.

Yours sincerely

Natalie Bracegirdle PRINCIPAL

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