



## Year 8 - Parent Payment Arrangements 2024

Learning Area	Curriculum Contribution- items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Description	Amount
<b>Whole School</b>	Student ID Card	To be issued at school- Student ID card which is integrated with Compass	\$7
	Bus transport to whole school events	Student transport to swimming, Athletics and Fun Run (these will be Compass and will be charged as individual events)	
<b>Middle Years</b>	Middle Years Essential Software	Full access to Education Perfect, including English, Mathematics, Science, Languages (Indonesian or Italian) and Humanities	\$77
	Middle Years Shared Class Resources	Assists with the provision of class sets of textbooks for the core Middle Years Program. The resources and materials are provided as shared resources by the school for use by your child	\$60
<b>Art/Technology</b>	Art Materials	Specialised paper, specialised drawing materials as class sets eg. oil pastels, Copic markers, fineliners) acrylic paint and inks, paint brushes, water pots and pallettes as class sets, specialised adhesives (glue sticks, Celmix, sticky tapes) block printing ink Silk cut lino ink rollers and palette knives as class sets, detergent and paper towel (clean-up)	\$25
	Visual Communication & Design Materials	Consumable materials for VCD which students take home: eg. Specialised paper, cartridge paper, water-coloured pencils, fine liners and drawing materials.	\$25
	Ceramics Materials	Cartridge paper, drawing & painting material, plastic pockets, clingfilm, use of class sets of brushes and tools Clay oxides, under glazes & glazes.	\$20
	Drama Resources	Consumable materials which students take home eg Masks & contribution to National Theatre Subscription	\$15
	Food Technology Materials	Provision of a workbook printed externally & consumables for Food Technology, eg. flour, milk, eggs, butter, baking powder, sugar, oil, salt etc	\$60
	Fibre (Textiles) Materials	Consumable materials which students take home: e.g. materials, interfacing, thread and stuffing for Beanies and Soft Sculpture.	\$25
<b>Total amount</b>			<b>\$314</b>

Learning Area	Other Contributions - for non curriculum items and activities	Description	Amount
Whole School	Whole School Fund	To provide further materials, services and equipment that enriches and enhances our students' learning experience, such as: technology equipment, musical instruments, sporting equipment, grounds maintenance, facilities and Performing Arts Centre (PAC).	Suggested Amount of \$100
Whole School	Building Fund Contribution*	Supports building improvements and projects across the school, such as new shade structures, upgrading existing shade structures, new outdoor furniture and seating for students to utilise.	Suggested Amount of \$100
	Library Contribution*	Supports the purchase of additional library resources, such as books, reference materials, subscriptions, technology equipment.	Suggested Amount of \$100
<b>Total amount</b>			<b>\$300</b>

\* This contribution is tax deductible, and a receipt will be available via Compass.

### Educational Items for Students to Own

Please refer to the Year 8 Booklist for textbook and stationary items Belmont High School recommends you purchase for your child to individually own and use.

These items will be available to purchase via: [wincschools.com.au](http://wincschools.com.au) using the access code **7WQ3R** or a supplier of your preference. (Textbook and stationary items will continue to be available for purchase until **31<sup>st</sup> July 2024** via this link).

### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Belmont 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.

Extra-Curricular Items	Description	Amount
Padlock	To be issued at school <i>We highly recommend purchasing the school issued padlock as we hold a master key in case your child forgets their combination.</i>	\$16
Summit Magazine	Annual student Yearbook – This optional yearbook will be available to order via an event on Compass.	\$20
Music Tuition	(Including Music Instrument Hire & Ensemble) Information will be given to your child at orientation.	Various

**Please Note:** Details of excursions throughout the year and the costs involved will be available on Compass when they arise.

### **Financial Support for Families**

Belmont High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and a range of support options are available, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund  
<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy>
- State Schools Relief  
<https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/>

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact:

Kelly Christie (Finance Officer)

[kelly.christie2@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:kelly.christie2@education.vic.gov.au)

Ph: 03 5243 5355

### **Payment Methods**

Belmont High School offers the below options for the above parent payments:

**1. Before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

Via [wincschools.com.au](http://wincschools.com.au) – using the access code **7WQ3R**

**2. After 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

-Via Compass Billing (will be accessible in early 2024)

### **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.

# 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.