



# 2025 PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS

## PRIMARY STUDENTS

### PREP – YEAR TWO

Item Description:	Amount
<b>Classroom consumables, materials and equipment</b>	
• Science (experiment consumables)	\$120.00
• Art Consumables (coloured paper, paints, glitter, craft materials)	\$120.00
<b>Online subscriptions</b>	
• Reading Eggs – Literacy learning platform	\$12.00
• EPIC - Literacy Program	\$10.00
• Essential Assessment – Mathematics learning platform	\$11.00
• Electronic Device Security/Contents Screening & Management	\$130.00
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$403.00</b>
<b>Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities</b>	
Contributing to the development and maintenance of the School's Grounds	\$150
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$150</b>

### YEAR THREE – YEAR SIX

Item Description:	Amount
<b>Classroom consumables, materials and equipment</b>	
• Science (experiment consumables)	\$120.00
• Art Consumables (coloured paper, paints, glitter, craft materials)	\$120.00
<b>Online subscriptions</b>	
• EPIC - Literacy Program	\$10.00
• Essential Assessment – Mathematics learning platform	\$11.00
• Electronic Device Security/Contents Screening & Management	\$130.00
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$391.00</b>
<b>Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities</b>	
Contributing to the development and maintenance of the School's Grounds	\$150
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$150</b>



## SECONDARY STUDENTS

### YEAR SEVEN

Students will be placed in two subjects per term, a total of eight subjects per year. As all subjects are completed it is not required for students to elect preferred subjects.

Item Description:	Amount
<b>Two subjects per term (eight per year) Cost of consumables and equipment</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Technology (ingredients such as flour, eggs, sugar etc)</li> <li>• Science (experiment consumables)</li> <li>• Visual Art consumables (coloured paper, paints, glitter, craft materials)</li> <li>• Wood Technology (tools, equipment, materials etc)</li> <li>• Visual Communications (Photo paper, frames etc)</li> </ul>	\$75.00 \$60.00 \$50.00 \$75.00 \$50.00
<b>Online subscriptions</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essential Assessment – Mathematics learning platform</li> <li>• EPIC - Literacy Program</li> <li>• Ed Perfect – Spanish learning platform</li> <li>• Electronic Device Security/Contents Screening &amp; Management</li> </ul>	\$11.00 \$10.00 \$21.00 \$130.00
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$482.00</b>
<b>Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities</b>	
Contributing to the development and maintenance of the School's Grounds	\$150
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$150</b>

### YEAR EIGHT – YEAR NINE

Students will be able to choose their semester electives for Term 1 & 2 prior to the commencement of the 2025 school year. Refer to elective selection form for subject description and associated cost.

\*\*Science is a core subject not an elective.

Item Description:	Amount
<b>Classroom consumables, materials and equipment</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• **Science (experiment consumables) <b>CORE SUBJECT</b></li> <li>• Food Technology (ingredients such as flour, eggs, sugar etc) <b>ELECTIVE</b></li> <li>• Visual Art consumables (paper, paints, glitter, craft materials) <b>ELECTIVE</b></li> <li>• Wood Technology (tools, equipment, materials etc) <b>ELECTIVE</b></li> <li>• Visual Communications Consumables (Photo paper, frames etc) <b>ELECTIVE</b></li> </ul>	\$120.00 \$150.00 \$100.00 \$150.00 \$100.00
<b>Online subscriptions</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essential Assessment – Mathematics learning platform</li> <li>• EPIC - Literacy Program</li> <li>• Ed Perfect – Spanish learning platform</li> <li>• Electronic Device Security/Contents Screening &amp; Management</li> </ul>	\$11.00 \$10.00 \$21.00 \$130.00
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$292.00</b>
<b>Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities</b>	
Contributing to the development and maintenance of the School's Grounds	\$150
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$150</b>



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25 October 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Saltwater P-9 College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Saltwater College's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfill the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

Please find the contributions schedules for Prep – Year 9 attached. Please note that Book Packs need to be ordered online <http://booklist.paperchase.com.au> no later than Friday, 6th December 2024 to ensure delivery directly to families before the start of the year. (Instructions and access code are included in this pack).  
**Please note that late fees will apply to orders placed after this date.**

Saltwater P-9 College makes every effort to keep contributions for items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

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

We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you all in 2025.

Kind regards

**Jackie Daniali**  
Principal  
Saltwater P-9 College

**Amanda Martins**  
School Council President  
Saltwater P-9 College



## **EDUCATIONAL ITEMS FOR STUDENTS TO OWN**

Please refer to a list of text books for secondary students that the school recommends you purchase from Campion for your child to individually own and use.

## **ELECTRONIC DEVICES (OPTIONAL)**

Saltwater P-9 College operates as a one to one device school where Apple iPads are used in Prep to Year 3 and Apple MacBook Airls are used in Years 4 to Year 9. The use of these devices are an integral part of the schools curriculum as they are utilised as a tool to enhance learning for students. Devices can be purchased through JB Hi-fi or families are able to bring in their own Apple device to be loaded with the school's application image.

**Order via:** <https://byod.jbhifi.education>

**Login code:** Saltwater2025

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is not a compulsory item, the school does have classroom set devices which can be allocated to students who do not have their own device. These devices will be shared in the classroom and must remain on the school site.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES – PROVIDED ON A USER-PAYS BASIS**

Saltwater P-9 College offers a range of optional 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Excursions & Incursions	TBA IN 2025
Camps and swimming	TBA IN 2025
School Photographs	TBA IN 2025
<b>Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>TBA IN 2025</b>

## **FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES**

Saltwater P-9 College understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- The Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF)
- 2025 School Saving Bonus (\$400 for all primary and secondary students)

### **Camps Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF)**

Is available for eligible families. Upon request application forms will be sent out at the start of 2025 for new families or newly eligible families. Parents who currently receive the CSEF and who remain eligible will automatically have their application renewed. However, should there be additional students starting (e.g. Prep student) a new application form will be required.



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### **2025 School Saving Bonus (\$400 for all primary and secondary students)**

More information regarding this initiative will be distributed to parents once obtained from the Department.

### **PAYMENT METHODS**

Should you wish to make payments as per the 2025 Parent Contributions, this can be done from 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025. We offer a variety of payment methods to assist our families:

- Xuno Payments (via the Xuno App)
- Eftpos is available at the office
- BPay – individual reference number is on your Family Statement
- Cash / Cheque

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Rosie Blake, Office Manager on 03 8366 7700 or via email at [saltwater.p9.co@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:saltwater.p9.co@education.vic.gov.au).

### **REFUNDS**

Saltwater P-9 College believes that the Camps, Excursion and Incursion program is highly beneficial for students and provides opportunities for particular learning experiences that cannot be gained in the classroom. Saltwater College encourages all students to participate in these activities. There will be occasions when a student needs to withdraw from an activity after they have made payment.

Please refer to the Refund Policy on the school's website [www.saltwatercollege.vic.edu.au](http://www.saltwatercollege.vic.edu.au) to view the guidelines on receiving a refund, alternatively, you can phone the administration office on 03 8366 7700 for further clarification.



# 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:

<b>Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>Other Contributions</b>	<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>
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.