



Dear Parents/Carers

### 2025 VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Tarneit P-9 College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Tarneit P-9 College's voluntary financial contributions for 2025. We appreciate any voluntary payments you can make which will contribute towards our programs.

Our College provides students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian Curriculum. Nevertheless, the ongoing support from our families ensures that our College can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

At our College, this financial support has allowed us to integrate the latest technology to support learning, develop our grounds and facilities and offer a wide range of educational opportunities including student wellbeing and leadership opportunities. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

#### Financial Support for Families

We understand that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (application forms available from College Administration)
- Optional payment plans set up via Compass

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact the College Administration on 9749 0506 or email [tarneit.p9@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:tarneit.p9@education.vic.gov.au).

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

Yours sincerely,

**Jason Smallwood**  
College Principal



## 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).

**Curriculum Contributions** – Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum

Curriculum Contributions		Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art – Paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper (\$15.00)</li> <li>Science &amp; Technology – Coloured paper, cardboard, pipe cleaners (\$15.00)</li> <li>Mathematic – Equipment (\$10.00)</li> <li>English – Books (\$5.00)</li> <li>Sports – Equipment (\$15)</li> </ul>		\$ 60.00
Online Subscriptions and Apps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Google Suite</li> <li>Magicplan</li> <li>Adobe</li> <li>Animate It</li> <li>iMovie</li> <li>Lightbot</li> </ul>	\$ 20.00
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials		\$ 20.00
School Sports Victoria membership		\$ 5.00
Student wellbeing programs		\$ 10.00
First aid equipment		\$ 5.00
School grounds maintenance and improvements		\$ 10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 130.00</b>



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

Tarneit P-9 College offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the educational experiences of our students that are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – Estimates only	Est Amount
<b>Camp Program</b>	
Prep – Prep Breakfast	\$ 10.00
Year 1 – Stay Late	\$ 10.00
Year 2 – Dinner and Disco	\$ 15.00
Camps in Year 3, 5 & 7 – Dates to be confirmed	\$ Costs TBC
Year 9 – Elective Outdoor Ed Camp – Dates for Semester 1 & 2 TBC	\$ No Cost
<b>Excursions to be scheduled</b> (estimated range \$10 - \$50)	
<b>Incursions to be scheduled</b> (estimated range \$10 - \$30)	

### Payment Methods

Voluntary payments can be made via Compass (which is our preferred method), BPay or at the Administration payment window via Eftpos or Credit Card. We would prefer cashless payments. College Administration can assist you with Compass or provide you with your unique BPay code if you don't already have it.

### Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the College and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the College 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.