

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Nossal High School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning. In support of this, the school would like to advise you of *Nossal High School's* voluntary parent contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum, the ongoing support of our families enables us to move beyond the provision of a basic learning and teaching environment to create a vibrant and comprehensive educational program, which is essential to the development of highly able students. The voluntary contribution you make enables us to deepen and contextualise the learning your child receives in the classroom, ensuring that all Nossal students graduate as well rounded, confident, capable and independent young adults. Your contributions play a crucial role in enhancing our teaching and learning initiatives, providing resources that prepare your child both for university and for becoming a respectful member of society. With your ongoing assistance we are able to continue to develop the young leaders of the future.

The voluntary contributions which you and other parents have made to our various specialist funds in recent years have enabled us to achieve the following:

- restore all changing rooms and toilets in Building B that were damaged during a significant flooding incident (*Building fund*)
- enhance our classrooms with interactive screens, upgrading from traditional projectors (*Library fund*)
- free time-poor parents of the obligation of contributing to the physical maintenance of the school through regular working bees (*Voluntary contributions*)
- provision of team sport uniforms (e.g. volleyball tops) for participants in interschool sports competitions (*Voluntary contributions*)
- replacement of instruments and purchase of new instruments to extend the scope of the school's music program (*Voluntary contributions*).

Further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy is on the school website nossalhs.vic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,



Tracey Mackin
Acting Principal



Prof. Subhash Abhayawansa
School Council President

Year 9 Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount	Contribution
<i>Student ID Card</i>	\$15	✓
<i>Combination Lock</i>	\$15	✓
<i>Nossal Time Social & Emotional Learning Program</i>	\$50	✓
<i>IT – Specialist Software Licences to support/enhance digital learning. Sassyan, Reciprocity, Creative Cloud, TPG, Vsphere, VEEAM and Formative</i>	\$150	✓
<i>Year 9 Classroom Consumables, Resources, Materials and Equipment Library – shared classroom resource (\$15) Health and Physical Education – Resource materials and equipment (\$15)</i>	\$30	✓

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Nossal 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 for free to deliver the Curriculum.

Year 9 Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Contribution Please tick
<i>Please add a tick to each item that applies to the elective your child has chosen. The cost of certain items (Year 9 Electives) will vary depending on the individual student's timetable.</i>		
Year 9 Electives:		
<i>Art - Specialty Papers and Printer materials</i>	\$25	
<i>Creative - Design Maker materials</i>	\$40	
<i>Dance - Excursion Dance studio/instructors</i>	\$60	
<i>Digital Technology – Online coding software</i>	\$30	
<i>Electronics - 3D Print/Laser Cut Consumables, Model making</i>	\$40	
<i>Food Studies/Edible Arts - Food consumables, Apron & Laundry & Cake decorating.</i>	\$250	
<i>Music (not instrumental music tuition)</i>	\$0	
<i>Photography – Specialty Papers & Printer</i>	\$25	
<i>Visual Communication – Specialty Art/Drawing Supplies</i>	\$10	

Whole year level events

Please remove tick for items and activities your child will not participate in.

<i>Year 9 Camp – Roses Gap</i>	\$540	✓
<i>Year 9 Experience – City Week/I Week/Big Day Out</i>	\$200	✓
<i>House Performing Arts and Speech Night</i>	\$85	✓
<i>Year 9 Extra Curricular Activities - guest speakers, workshops</i>	\$75	✓
<i>Year 9 Whole School Events</i> <i>School Sport (\$10)</i> <i>Athletics carnival - entry and transport (\$25)</i> <i>Swimming carnival – entry and transport (\$25)</i>	\$60	✓
<i>Co-curricular Clubs and Societies</i>	\$8	✓
<i>Butterfly Effect – School Magazine (possible increase)</i>	\$35	✓
<i>Music Ensemble & Individual Tuition (charged separately)</i>	<i>Refer to Music Program information on Website</i>	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$

Year 9 Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount	Contribution
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$10	✓
<i>Locker maintenance</i>	\$30	✓
<i>Technical Support Services – provision of specialised production for all students into digital technologies and online curriculum environment in the Nossal learning management system</i>	\$105	✓
Total Amount	\$	

Educational items for students to own.

You will be provided with a booklist from Campion Education in Term 4.

Financial Support for Families

Nossal High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).
- Individual Payment Arrangements
- *access to Sustainable School Shop – 2nd hand purchasing Texts, Uniforms, and sport/music equipment*
- *Parents and Friends Associations 2nd hand items sales – Texts & Uniforms*

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact: Mrs Shantal Crow or Mrs Kirsten Overton on Ph 03 8762 4600 or Email: finance@nossalhs.vic.edu.au

Projected Totals

Category	
Curriculum Contributions (excludes electives)	\$260
Other Contributions	\$145
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities includes camp (<i>excludes music ensemble/Tuition</i>)	\$1003
Electives your child selected per semester.	\$

Payment methods/options

Payment options are extensive to provide convenience and confidentiality to parents. Options include Compass Pay, CSEF Centrelink, Direct Debit and or Cash.

Refunds

- Students withdrawing from camps, excursions and/or activities will not automatically be entitled to a refund.
- Where **no** cost is incurred by the school, a **full refund** may be payable when:
 - The student's place is filled by another student.
 - The Principal/Principal's Delegate deems the student's withdrawal was unavoidable (eg: illness).
NB: Proof of reason for withdrawal may be requested in such circumstances (e.g medical certificate).
- A **partial refund** may be payable when:
 - The Principal/Principal's Delegate deems the student's withdrawal was unavoidable, but the school has incurred expenses relating to the withdrawal.
 - In such cases, the refund will be the full amount paid less any expenses incurred by the school because of the withdrawal (e.g. Prepaid entry fees).
- **No refund** will be payable when:
 - The Principal deems the withdrawal was avoidable or the school has incurred the full costs of the excursion, camp, or activity.
- Instrumental Music - Where a family has requested a refund for any part of the Instrumental Music fee, consideration will first be given to the costs incurred by the school in planning and arranging Instrumental Music Instruction and the cost of any non-returnable items provided to the student. Please refer to Music Program information on Website.

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