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Dear parent/guardian,

John Henry Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of John Henry Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

As a result of feedback from families our Contributions are now \$177.61, this covers the following:

- Classroom consumables, materials & equipment
  - S.T.E.A.M. – iPad and Laptop Applications & Software
  - English – Textbooks and consumables
  - Mathematics – Equipment and consumables
  - Specialist Programs – Equipment and consumables
  - Sports – Equipment
- Online subscriptions
- Individual Student Booklist
  - Stationary
  - Textbooks
  - J.H.P.S. Diary
- Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials.
- Library
- Student Programs
- First aid supplies
- Specialist Program equipment maintenance

*All extra-curricular activities, this includes incursions, excursions, camps, and the swimming program, are provided to students on a user-pays basis and families must opt in for these activities. These are outlined as follows:*

- Swimming Program
  - \$63.08 (Prep to Yr. 3)
  - \$18.57 (Yr. 4 - Yr. 6)
- Backflips Against Bullying \$6.00 (Whole School)
- Elephant Ed \$30.00 (Yr. 5 - Yr.6)
- Life Ed \$17.50 (Prep to Yr. 4)
- Excursions \$120.00 (Whole School)

- Camps
  - \$320.00 (Year 3)
  - \$410.00 (Year 4)
  - \$475.00 (Year 5)
  - \$600.00 (Year 6)

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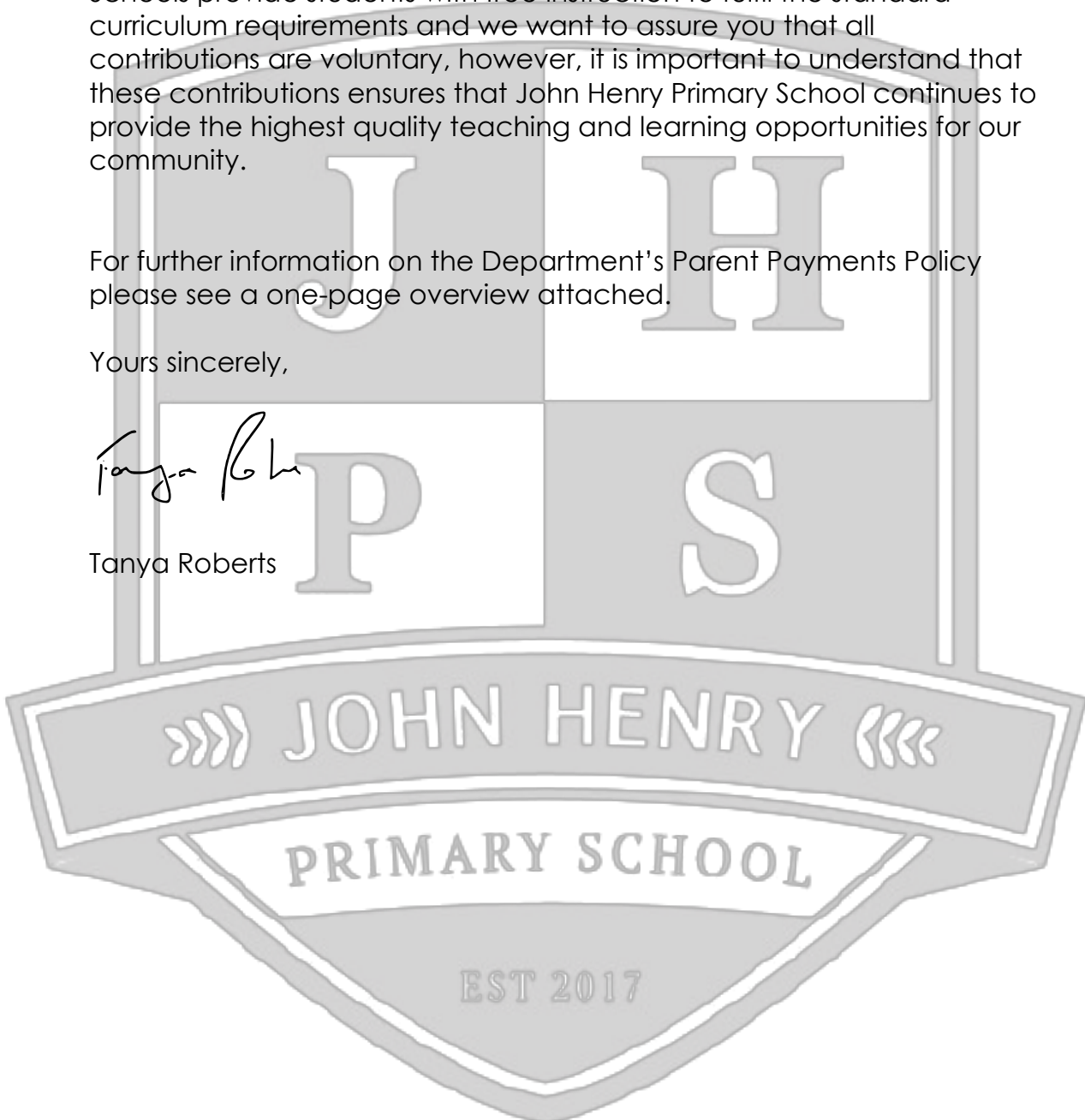
Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary, however, it is important to understand that these contributions ensures that John Henry Primary School continues to provide the highest quality teaching and learning opportunities for our community.

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

Yours sincerely,



Tanya Roberts



<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum.	Amount
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• S.T.E.A.M. – iPad and Laptop Applications &amp; Software</li> <li>• English – Textbooks and consumables</li> <li>• Mathematics – Equipment and consumables</li> <li>• Specialist Programs – Equipment and consumables</li> <li>• Sports – Equipment</li> </ul>	• \$47.96
Online subscriptions	• \$ 3.72
<i>Individual Student Booklist</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stationary</li> <li>• Textbooks</li> <li>• J.H.P.S. Diary</li> </ul>	• \$67.89
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	• \$17.67
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$137.24</b>

<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
Library	• \$ 1.40
Student programs	• \$12.93
First aid supplies	• \$ 2.79
Specialist Program equipment maintenance	• \$23.25
<b>Total Other Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 40.37</b>

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

John Henry Primary School 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.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please ensure payment is made to the school by the communicated payment and consent deadlines. The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (all on a user-pays basis)	Amount
School camps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 3</li> <li>• Year 4</li> <li>• Year 5</li> <li>• Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$320.00</li> <li>• \$410.00</li> <li>• \$475.00</li> <li>• \$600.00</li> </ul>
Swimming Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foundation to Year 3</li> <li>• Year 4 to Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$63.08</li> <li>• \$18.57</li> </ul>
Excursions to be scheduled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 120.00</li> </ul>
Additional Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Backflips Against Bullying</i></li> <li>• <i>Life Education</i></li> <li>• <i>Elephant Education</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$6.00</li> <li>• \$17.50</li> <li>• \$30.00</li> </ul>

### Financial Support for Families

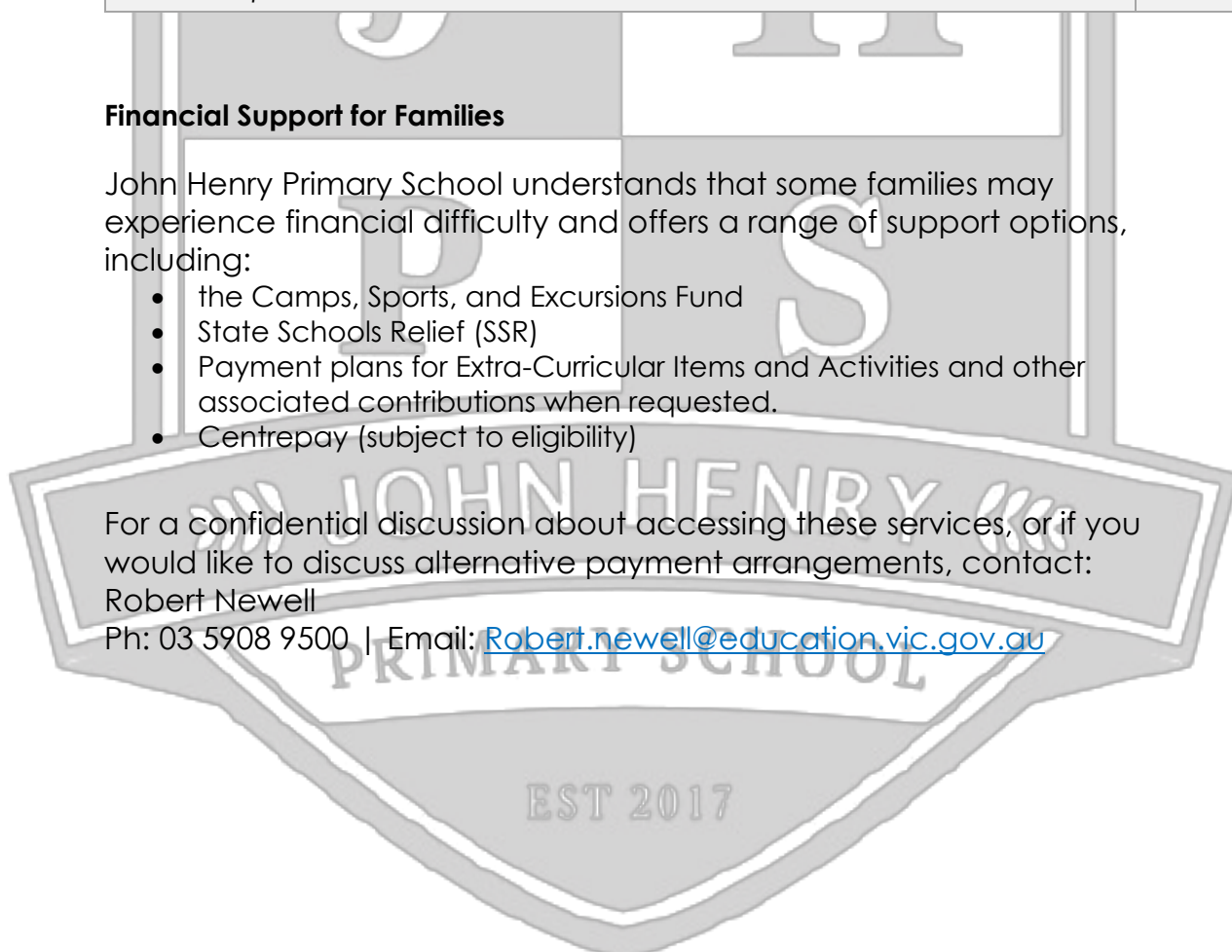
John Henry Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities and other associated contributions when requested.
- Centrepay (subject to eligibility)

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

Robert Newell

Ph: 03 5908 9500 | Email: [Robert.newell@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Robert.newell@education.vic.gov.au)



## Total

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	• \$137.24
Other Contributions <i>(Non-tax deductible)</i>	• \$ 40.37
<i>(Tax-deductible)</i>	\$
Extra-Curricular Items & Activities on a 'user-pays' basis	
• Foundation	• \$206.59
• Year 1	• \$206.59
• Year 2	• \$206.59
• Year 3	• \$526.59
• Year 4	• \$572.08
• Year 5	• \$649.58
• Year 6	• \$774.58
Total of all contributions and Extra-Curricular Items & Activities	
• Foundation	• \$384.19
• Year 1	• \$384.19
• Year 2	• \$384.19
• Year 3	• \$704.19
• Year 4	• \$749.68
• Year 5	• \$827.18
• Year 6	• \$952.18

### Payment methods

Compass, EFTPOS, Cash, Direct Deposit, Centrepay, CSEF

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### 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 Payments 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

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).



### 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.