



GLADSTONE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

ESSENTIAL STUDENT LEARNING SUPPLIES FOR 2021

November 2020.

Dear Parents

Gladstone Park Primary School has a reputation for delivering quality and extremely high educational outcomes for its students. We must ensure this high standard is maintained.

In 2021 School Council will charge **\$185** per child for the Essential Student Learning Supplies. The amount of **\$185** per child includes everything your child will need with regard to classroom supplies and curriculum resources and materials.

The overriding rationale for setting a Student Requisite and Materials Contribution is to ensure that all students are provided with the best possible range and quality of educational resources and equipment.

The Government pays a major portion of operating costs of the school such as gas, electricity, cleaning, maintenance and repairs. As well, the government provides each school with an amount of money to be utilised for teacher and student learning. Unfortunately, government funds alone are insufficient to pay for a vast range of teaching and learning resources that are required to keep our classrooms full of up-to-date and stimulating materials and resources.

School Council has spent significant amounts of money over recent years upgrading resources and facilities around the school. In 2021 we will continue our commitment to ensuring the students at Gladstone Park PS are provided with 'state of the art' equipment and quality facilities. As a school community, we all recognise the ongoing expense that is involved.

Essential Student Learning Items	Prep – Year 6
<p><u>Section A:</u> Materials that the student takes permanent possession of, including text books and student stationery eg: paper, pens, glue sticks, project books etc. (List Attached)</p> <p>Each child will have an individual pack of requisites that have been specifically selected to support the learning needs of children at particular levels of the school.</p>	\$55.00
<p><u>Section B:</u> Materials for learning and teaching where the student consumes or takes possession of the finished articles (e.g. art) This may include a range of paint and craft materials, art and design technology etc.</p>	\$85.00
<p><u>Section C:</u> Digital Learning</p> <p>Students' use of our school wide computer network system, access of our Library Resource Centre system, and additional online learning activities eg. "Mathletics", "Spellodrome", "Ziptales" and "Sunshine Online" – online Mathematics and English programs.</p>	\$45.00
<p>Total 2021 Essential Student Learning Supplies</p>	\$185.00

Essential Student Learning Supplies are those items or services that are essential to support the course of instruction in the standard curriculum program that parents and guardians are responsible for and may choose to either provide or pay the school to provide.

OPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES

Gladstone Park Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities, in addition to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. These optional extras are provided on a user-pays basis throughout the year.

These include:

- extra-curricular programs or activities e.g. violin etc.
- optional excursions and camps, music production
- school class photographs

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

Gladstone Park Primary School continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school. You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all the school's important priorities for 2021, such as upgrading playgrounds and grounds, as well as contributing to upgrading resources and facilities for all students.

HOW TO PAY

- Payments may be sent to school or made in person at the Office.
- Please fill in the PARENT PAYMENT DETAILS form and enclose payment in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name and grade or
- Alternatively make a Direct Deposit in School Councils Account. (in the description please put in family name/fees) and **send completed Parent Payment Details form to school.**

Any parents who have difficulty paying the amount by the suggested date should contact the Principal to discuss confidential alternative arrangements.

Payment of the Essential Student Learning Supplies will be required **by Friday 4th December**, as we must order and pay for all our student supplies before the end of this year.

If you hold a valid Health Care Card (eligible 31st January 2021), Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you are entitled to a \$50 discount per student on presentation of your current healthcare card to the office.

COLLECTION OF BOOK PACKS

BOOK PACKS ARE BEING HELD AT THE SCHOOL AND WILL BE GIVEN TO STUDENTS ON THEIR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IN 2021.

It is essential that all parents provide this contribution if we are to continue to provide our children with the quality education, programs and materials we have all come to appreciate at Gladstone Park Primary School.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please go the [here](#)

Or Parent Payment Policy: https://nqinx-php-content-policy-det-vic-gov-au-production.lagoon.vicsdp.amazee.io/sites/default/files/2020-08/Parent-Payments-One-Page-Visual-Schools-2020_0.docx

We thank you for your consideration and understanding, and we look forward to your continued support.
Yours sincerely

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PRINCIPAL

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SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT