

10th November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Timbarra P-9 College would like to advise you of our parent payment arrangements for 2021. Our School Council is proud of the excellent quality of our facilities and resources available for our students to enjoy and few schools match the numerous programs we offer to cater for students' needs and interests. However, these do not come without some extra costs involved.

Each year Timbarra P-9 College parents show positive support for the school through parent payments and fundraising efforts. This support has led to considerable improvements being carried out, especially in the areas of computer technology, numeracy and literacy, through the provision of outstanding resources.

Our fee schedule for 2021 is attached. Please complete this form and return with your payment to the school by 10th December 2020, so the school can prepare accordingly.

Financial Support for Families

Timbarra P-9 College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents. We are always sensitive to, and sympathetic towards families in financial difficulty. For special circumstances, alternative payment procedures may be organised by prior arrangement, in strict confidence, with Kayte Heard, Business Manager or Maura Conroy, Office Administration. Please contact our office on 9704 2744 if you wish to discuss payment options.

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
- Centrepay
- Payment plans (by prior arrangement with our office staff)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payment is made directly to the school and are tied to the student. Application Forms will be distributed in 2021.

Payment Methods

- Compass Pay – Preferred option

Other

- EFT
- BPAY
- Cash
- Centrepay (if eligible)
- Payment plans (by prior arrangement with our office staff)

Refunds

Refunds can be arranged by emailing the school at timbarra.p9@education.vic.gov.au

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

We know you will help us to provide the necessary resources to ensure your child continues to receive the best education possible. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

JAN ADAMSON

Principal

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School Council President

