# parent payment arrangements 2021

Dear Parents 23rd Nov. 2020

It’s wonderful to have you part of our school community, and we are looking forward to a great year of teaching and learning in 2021.

This letter outlines the upcoming school parent payment arrangements for Year 2021.  May you please complete and return the attached form by **29th January 2021**, so the school can prepare education materials for children appropriately.

Beechworth Secondary College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

The 2021 fees have been approved with careful consideration by the School Council, and strike a balance between affordability and accessible education materials that enrich our children’s learning experience.

### Payment Methods

### For your convenience, please find the payment methods on the back of this letter.

Financial Support:

Beechworth Secondary College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

·         the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

·         School Assistance Fund \*(*see voluntary contributions over page)*

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

 Liz Wilkinson, Business Manager

Ph: 03 57 281264   | Email: beechworth.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Refunds: Please contact the school to make refund requests. Refunds will depend on the timing, reason and impact on bookings already made.

We have included a short overview of the Department of Education’s Parent Payment Policy for your information. Further details can also be found at [www.education.vic.gov.au](http://www.education.vic.gov.au)

Thank you and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in 2021.

Yours sincerely,

PATRICIA BROOMGAEL EVANS

PRINCIPAL SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**PAYMENT METHODS**

 **BPAY** – All families have an individual BPAY code. This is found on the bottom of the Family Statement and allows an easy online payment method. NB: Fortnightly deductions can be set up to offset against payments due.

(**Note Your Unique BPay Code is available from the school office**)

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**Credit Card - Please debit my credit card**

 Cardholders Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Amount of Payment: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please charge to my

 Bankcard MasterCard Visa

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Three Digit Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (This is the last three digits on the back of the card, in the signature strip). **Please Note**: These payments may be cancelled at any time.

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**Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)**

**I have paid the amount of $ into the College account, as per details
below on ……………………… (Please insert date)**

Direct Deposit Details: Beechworth Community Bank (Bendigo Bank)

BSB 633 000 Account No. 155958846

Account Name: Beechworth Secondary College Council Official Account

**Reference:** Student’s code (example ABC0001 OR Childs Name)

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**Please find enclosed a cheque / money order for the full amount (This payment is due in advance.)**

**ASSISTANCE WITH PAYMENTS –**

1. CSEF funding is available to parents with an eligible Health Care Card. $225 per student for Camps/Excursions

2. Parents may arrange to pay by instalments Eg: Quarterly or Half Yearly.

3. Centrepay: Parents receiving Centrelink payments can arrange to have fortnightly deductions sent to the school to use towards their child’s Essential Items etc.

**Please contact the office for further advice and assistance on (03) 57281264**

## Fee schedule – Year 9

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. Beechworth Secondary College also continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for 2021*.*

Please complete this form and return to the school by **Friday 29th January, 2021** so the school can prepare accordingly.

### Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. You may choose to purchase these items through the school or provide your own. Please indicate which items you would like to purchase through the school on the table below:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Essential Student Learning Items | Amount |
| Student Diary | $15.00 |
| Student ID/ Print Card | $20.00 |
| Art/Food/ Technology - Materials for final products | $90.00 |
| Education Perfect On-line subscription | $70.00 |
| TOTAL | **$195.00** |

**Booklist**

Attached is a booklist from our supplier Endeavour and Beechworth Newsagency, which lists the text books and the everyday items that your child will need for use in the classroom. Please indicate which items you would like to purchase and arrange payment with these providers as indicated on forms.

**Please note these are due to be ordered and paid for by Thursday 17th December, 2020**

### Optional Items

Beechworth Secondary College offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below.

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| --- | --- |
| Optional Item  | Amount |
| Optional camps and excursions as scheduled throughout 2021. The cost of these excursions will be advised throughout the year. | *To be advised* |
| Locker Hire (Secure Mobile Phones) – includes school preferred lock | $20.00 |
| School Magazine | $15.00 |
| Instrumental Music Lessons Per Semester | $100.00 |
| **TOTAL** | $ |

### Voluntary Contributions

Beechworth Secondary College continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school.

You can make a general voluntary contribution that goes towards all of our school’s important priorities for 2021as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.

Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Voluntary Contribution  | Tax deductible? | Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family | Amount |
| Assists with classroom set of textbooks; photo-copying and printing of worksheets; science equipment and materials for experiments; sports equipment. | *No* | *E.g. $100* | *E.g. $120* | *E.g. $150* |  |
| Student Grounds & Facility Improvements | *No* | *E.g. $20* | *E.g. $50* | *E.g. $70* |  |
| Student Engagement: Breakfast Club & Lunchtime activities | *No* | *E.g. $20* | *E.g. $50* | *E.g. $70* |  |
| \*School Assistance Fund | *No* | *E.g. $20* | *E.g. $50* | *E.g. $70* |  |
| **TOTAL** | $ |

\*This fund is to provide essential items or optional extras for families at our school unable to purchase these items due to demonstrated financial hardship. Your contribution helps to ensure that all our students have the option of attending school camps and excursions and have the items they need for school.

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

### Student Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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### Parent Payment Charges Year 9

Essential Student Learning Items Amount\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Additional Elective Material Costs Amount\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Optional Items Amount\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Voluntary financial contribution Amount\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_\_**

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