



# Year 7 Curriculum Contributions 2026

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

| Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum   | Amount<br>Please enter applicable amount |
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| Year 7 Student ID Card   | \$5 \$ _____                             |
| <b>Year 7 Classroom Consumables, materials &amp; equipment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Classroom – materials for English, Mathematics, Science, Language, Health &amp; PE, Personal Development &amp; Positive Relationships \$70 \$ _____</li> <li>• Art – paint, crayons, canvas, pencils, oil pastels, coloured paper etc \$25 \$ _____</li> <li>• Ceramics – materials to produce ceramic art works \$25 \$ _____</li> <li>• Drama – stationery, handouts, makeup \$10 \$ _____</li> <li>• Food Tech – ingredients of food practical classes – cakes, pastries etc \$25 \$ _____</li> <li>• Materials – timber, screws, steel, brackets, rivets, glue, soldering wire \$25 \$ _____</li> <li>• Textiles – materials including patterns, cottons and fabrics \$25 \$ _____</li> <li>• Visual Communication – paper, pencils, fine liners, portfolio materials \$25 \$ _____</li> </ul> |  |
| <b>Year 7 Enrichment Classroom Consumables, materials &amp; equipment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art – art supplies (paints, crayons, paper, glue, pencils, oil pastels) - \$20</li> <li>• Drama – excursion fee - \$10</li> <li>• Music – scores &amp; music sheets - \$50</li> <li>• Sport – excursion fee – \$20</li> <li>• Digital Technology – Access to online subscription (Grok Learning) – \$35</li> </ul>  | \$ _____<br>select one only              |
| <b>Year 7 Printing and photocopying</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• workbooks, worksheets and learning materials \$35</li> </ul>  | \$ _____                                 |
| <b>Digital Technologies</b> – provision of devices, software, and system support (suggested) \$125   | \$ _____                                 |
| *Technology projects may differ slightly to those listed above   |  |
| <b>Total Curriculum Contributions (please transfer to summary of total section on page 3)</b>  | <b>\$ _____</b>                          |

| Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities  |                         | Amount          |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Combination Lock   | \$18                    | \$ _____        |
| Student wellbeing programs – Health & Wellbeing Incursion  | \$10                    | \$ _____        |
| Chaplaincy Program   | (suggested amount \$10) | \$ _____        |
| <b>Tax deductible contributions</b>  |                         |                 |
| <b>Building fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.    | (suggested amount \$50) | \$ _____        |
| <b>Music Library fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support the music program to purchase and maintain valuable resources. | (suggested amount \$20) | \$ _____        |
| <b>Total Other Contributions (please transfer to summary of total section on page 3)</b>   |                         | <b>\$ _____</b> |

### Educational items for students to own

Below is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from retailers for your child/children to individually own and use

- Booklist – text book & stationery - Castlemaine Office Supplies or retailer of your choice
- Calculator – Abacus Calculators (order form enclosed) or retailer of your choice

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

Castlemaine Secondary College 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 in order to deliver the Curriculum.

| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities  | Amount  | Purchase        |
|--|---|-----------------|
| School Magazine/Yearbook   | \$35  | \$ _____        |
| Optional Year 7 school camp<br>Approximate cost of camp \$330 – full payment required 1 week prior to departure  | Refer to individual camp permission notice.<br>To be handed out                       |                 |
| Optional Music Lessons - <i>Tuition fees must be paid prior to lessons commencing, either term by term or full year</i><br>• Lessons offered as Group, Pairs or Individual | Refer to Music Tuition enrolment form for payment requirements                        |                 |
| Optional School Music Camp<br>Approximate cost of camp \$420 – full payment required 1 week prior to departure   | Refer to individual camp permission notice.   |                 |
| Other optional camps/activities/sporting events will be decided throughout the year and can be paid on a user pays basis   | Refer to individual activity/event permission notes as handed out throughout the year |                 |
| <b>Total Extra-curricular Items &amp; Activities (please transfer to summary of total section)</b>   |   | <b>\$ _____</b> |

## Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund for eligible families
- Individual Payment plans – via direct debit, BPay or Centrepay Deductions

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact Karen Burton, Family Finance Manager on 54791111 or email [karen.burton@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:karen.burton@education.vic.gov.au)

## Summary of Total

| Category                              | Amount               |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Curriculum Contributions              | \$ _____             |
| Other Contributions                   | \$ _____             |
|                                       | (Non-tax deductible) |
|                                       | (Tax deductible)     |
| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities | \$ _____             |
| <b>Total</b>                          | \$ _____             |

| Payment Methods  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| <b>Cash/Cheque</b><br>Please make cheques payable to Castlemaine Secondary College   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>BPay</b><br>Biller Code: 87361<br>BPay Reference: Please refer to your individual statement or contact reception for your reference number<br>Please advise the College of your payment via email, <a href="mailto:castlemaine.sc@education.vic.gov.au">castlemaine.sc@education.vic.gov.au</a>   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Bank Transfer</b><br>BSB: 313-140 Account Number: 1202 8220<br>Reference: Please use your child's name as a reference for your payment<br>Please advise the College of your payment via email, <a href="mailto:castlemaine.sc@education.vic.gov.au">castlemaine.sc@education.vic.gov.au</a>   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Refunds</b><br>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 Payment 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.