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Dear Families,

Your family's donation directly supports the exceptional experiences that make Mount Eliza North Primary School so special.

We're looking forward to another wonderful year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Mount Eliza North Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Your family's voluntary donation helps to run wide ranging programs that we know meaningfully enhance learning outcomes - programs our government funding doesn't fully cover.

Here's what your donation funds:

Curriculum Contributions - $300
These donations assist the school to provide rich, wide ranging programs and resources outside traditional teaching and learning programs. It also supports the ongoing provision of targeted classroom materials used to personalise the learning for each student.

Your financial support in 2026 will allow us to continue to:

- Provide high quality programs and specific materials and equipment for Art, Numeracy, STEM, English, PE, Music, Language and International Baccalaureate Resources.
- Update class take home reader libraries, individual class sets, library books, and decodables for students to develop and enhance their reading skills.
- Deliver a wide range of sporting experiences and equipment to support the programs along with team uniforms to represent MENPS during interschool sports.
- Roll out 260 new Acer devices (leased over 4 years) in 2026, to ensure our students have the latest in IT equipment in the classrooms. This also includes the upkeep, maintenance, licensing of such devices and our school server systems along with specialist IT support.
- Online subscriptions such as 1. Decodable Readers Aust. This supports online reading, phonetics and spelling and additional resources and workbooks for our Foundation to Y4 cohort. 2. Essential Assessment Numeracy and Literacy formative assessment for our Foundation to Y6 cohort.
- Lunchtime clubs throughout the year including games, activities, arts and crafts.

Other Contributions - Gold $175 min – Silver $120 min – Bronze $60 min – General $Various
These are non-curricular items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

- Gold - Annual first aid training for staff. Student wellbeing programs offered such as Brainstorm Productions, Body Education, and Dogs Connect (Lux our wellbeing dog).
- Silver - Enhancing learning environments with the provision for soundproof partitioning walls and promethean screens in classrooms. Refurbishment of classroom furniture.
- Bronze - Beautification of the school grounds along with oval upkeep and repairs to irrigation.
- General Donation - is open for any additional amount to be allocated to support student sport memberships and affiliations, International Baccalaureate and Compass programs.

Extra-Curricular items and activities - Various costs
Mount Eliza North Primary School offers a range of additional activities that broaden the schooling experience throughout the year. These are user pay based events (excursions, incursions and camps). Please refer to Compass for event information, payment and consent.

What families are contributing:

Most families at Mount Eliza North Primary School donate around $275 per year, equating to around $5 per week – that's less than one takeaway coffee! In 2025, 58% of our families contributed donations. In 2026, we are targeting at least 80% of parents to contribute.

Choose what works for your family: Flexible payment options are available to suit your situation

Flexible payment plans, extended timelines, and confidential support are always available. Please contact Ebony Wyatt (Accounts Receivable) or Joanne Pyne (Finance Manager) on 9787 6611 or email mount.eliza.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au to discuss what works for your family. You may also be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund or State Schools' Relief support.

Why it matters:

In 2025, family donations contributed towards:

First aid training for all staff
Decodable resources and library books
Retaining walls
Planting of trees and remulching gardens
Dogs Connect (our Wellbeing Dog Lux)
Student artwork & signage around the school
Student wellbeing programs
Classroom furniture

Without your support, these experiences wouldn't be possible. With it, we continue building the rich educational community that sets Mount Eliza North Primary School apart.

Thank you for being part of our community.

Caroline Chilianis - Principal **James Batty - School Council President**