



23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents,

Enclosed with this letter is the Parent Payments information for 2021.

Caulfield South Primary School Council encourages all families to contribute towards improving our school through parent payment contributions. These optional contributions have added greatly to the educational environment provided for your children and this has only been made possible by the strong financial commitment of our parent community. We are fortunate that these contributions have allowed us to employ our Health and Wellbeing First Aid Officer, who helps to ensure the health and safety of our students. Our parent contributions also allow us to have a building and groundskeeper who ensures our school grounds, gardens and buildings continue to be well maintained.

School Council has been able to fund many additional projects for our children through parent support and contributions. These include:

- our Nature Play space, Bamboo Forest and continuous upgrading of play spaces
- the bike and scooter compounds
- new shade sails, the shelter and rain garden
- provision and maintenance of reverse cycle air conditioning in classrooms
- upgrading computer cabling throughout the school
- supplementary internal and external painting
- maintenance of our beautiful school over and above department funding

Being a Government School, Caulfield South receives funding from the Department of Education and Training which enables the provision of all basic education requirements, including the salaries of staff and other school operating and general maintenance costs. There is no expectation of Government funding for supplementary projects, such as those listed above. These projects always require a substantial amount of additional funding.

School Council is continually monitoring its plans and is keen to continue to:

- upgrade the children's play spaces in the school grounds
- increase the natural landscape and tree planting

We therefore ask all parents to join with us to contribute towards an outstanding school for our Caulfield South children. The support of our families in this endeavour is essential and greatly appreciated.

Melanie Gordon  
School Council President

Gayle Yardley  
Principal