

NEERIGEN BROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES and PERSONAL ITEMS 2026

Dear Parents & Caregivers

Many thanks to those who paid Voluntary Contributions in 2025. Your contributions have made a huge difference to the number and quality of programs we have been able to offer your children.

The payment of Voluntary Contributions is needed so that we can provide educational programs that satisfy the requirements of the Australian Curriculum.

This payment is voluntary however the Minister for Education expects all parents who can afford to pay the Voluntary Contribution to do so. School budgeting is based on the expectation that parents will pay. Without your help it will be difficult to provide the level of support and range of activities we value.

The Neerigen Brook School Board has endorsed the schedule of contributions and charges for 2026. The schedule has been broken into sections that will allow you to calculate all the costs that you will incur throughout the following school year.

Voluntary Contributions

The total amount of contributions that parents and caregivers are being asked to pay has been contained to **\$40.00** – (which is about \$1 per week of school time for each student) and well within the \$60.00 maximum set in the School Education Regulations (2000). Money collected will be used to supplement school expenditure in the areas below:

Expenditure Area	Cost
Mathematics Resources	\$10.00
English Resources	\$10.00
Computer/App Resources	\$5.00
Physical Education Resources	\$5.00
Library Resources	\$5.00
The Arts – Resources	\$5.00

The actual cost per child is shown in the table. While contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning programs will be maximised when all families make their contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources such as State and Commonwealth Governments. Payment arrangements can be made at the office to spread the amount over the year if required.

School Voluntary Contributions are \$40.00 per child for 2026.

Charges

The Charges Schedule attached: includes costs associated with the following:

- Specific learning activities offered to all students but conditional upon payment being made eg visiting artists/groups, excursions
- Specific learning activities offered to selected students but conditional upon payment eg PEAC or Instrumental Music etc.
- Other activities available to all students but conditional on payment being made eg swimming lessons, camp etc.

Personal Items

The charges for personal items (previously known as book lists) will vary from student to student and include:

1. Pupil requirements for all students and used in lessons eg stationery & calculators
2. Pupil requirements for all students recommended but not essential for all students eg art shirt, tissues etc.
3. Pupil Requirements for selected students and not directly related to the educational program eg graduation shirt, photos etc.

All Personal items must have each student's name clearly marked.

Included with this letter is the recommended list of materials for your child. We have negotiated competitive prices for the materials on the lists, but you are not obligated to use our supplier. (It may be necessary to replace items throughout the year such as pencils.)

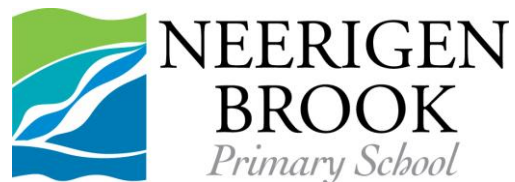
Personal items are being prepared through COS for 2026. If you have any queries in relation to ordering, please contact the school office.

We hope you will find this information useful when planning financially for 2026.

Thank you for your anticipated support in 2026 in the form of Voluntary Contributions.



Mrs Lesley Barrett
Principal



Neerigen Brook Primary School Charges Schedule for 2026

Charge Item	Kindy	Pre Primary	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Excursions for the year – no more than:	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
Incursions for the year – no more than:	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Interschool Carnival			\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Swimming In-term – No more than		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Choir – selected students			\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Year 6 Graduation Shirt								\$60.00
Year 6 Graduation Bear/Ball								\$25.00
Year 6 Graduation Lunch								\$30.00
Cooking	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
PEAC Program – Selected Year 5-6 Students							\$300.00	\$300.00