



PURPOSE

To provide parents/carers and other members of our school community with an overview of Footscray West Primary School's approach to fundraising.

POLICY

Fundraising is an important way for Footscray West Primary School to raise money so that it can deliver additional learning opportunities or equipment to students and improve school amenities.

School staff, members of the school community or the Parents' Association may want to undertake fundraising activities for Footscray West Primary School.

FWPS School encourages fundraising and the School Council will consider initiatives appropriate to our school context.

Fundraising is a function of the School Council and Council must approve all school-related fundraising events or activities on behalf of our school.

At the beginning of each school year, the School Council will approve any school-related fundraising events or activities for the upcoming year. If it is necessary during the year, the School Council may approve additional fundraising events or activities.

In deciding whether or not to approve particular fundraising events or activities, the School Council will act in accordance with legal requirements, any relevant Department of Education and Training policy or guideline, and the Department's *Finance Manual for Victorian Government Schools*.

All money raised for the school through fundraising, unless legally otherwise provided for, will be held on trust by the School Council for the general or particular purpose for which it was raised.

Fundraising for Charitable Causes

Footscray West Primary School may also decide to fundraise for charitable causes external to the school. In these cases, the Principal is responsible for approving the fundraising activity.

In deciding whether or not to fundraise for a particular charitable cause, the Principal may:

- Consider whether the methods used to raise funds for any specific charitable appeal are appropriate taking into account the voice of our community.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Please refer to:

- the Department's Policy and Advisory Library: [Fundraising Activities \(including fetes\)](#)
- [Finance Manual — Financial Management for Schools](#)
- [Fundraising Act 1998](#)

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Approval date:	February 2022
VRQA policy:	No
DET mandated policy:	No
School Council input:	Required
Consultation:	Required
Next scheduled review date (review cycle):	02/2027 (4 years)



Help for non-English speakers

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