



## School Fees

Each year, we provide parents with an outline of fees that are expected for the upcoming year. We appreciate all the support our parents provide to ensure our students have a successful year. We also are extremely thankful for the generous support of our PAC. In addition to providing the school supplies itemized on a grade list, parents are periodically asked for monies to cover specific items and special events. The purchase of school supplies through the school is optional. As per School Board Policy No. 9802 – School Fees: “Generally, the curriculum does not require students to participate in field trips. However, there are many field trips that can serve to enhance and add value to the learning experience for students. Participation in such field trips is optional and there will be a charge to cover costs only. No students will be denied the opportunity to participate in any school activity due to the inability to pay. Please contact your child’s teacher or the principal if you should you require any financial assistance.”

**As we plan for the 2022/23 school year, we anticipate the following optional school fees at Creekside:**

**Student Planner** – We will be encouraging all students in Grades 1-7 to purchase at a cost of \$5.00. Included in the planner are some pages specific for Creekside such as our behaviour and dress code. We find this to be an excellent tool for facilitating home/school communication, as well as for developing our students’ organizational skills. Please remember that purchasing our school planner is recommended, but optional, as a parent may choose to purchase another planner.

### **School Supplies**

Parents will be able to order supplies for 2022-2023 from “School Start” on-line. Order forms are posted on the school webpage located under “Newsletters”. You can download and print your child’s grade list off of the Creekside Website. If you do not choose to order through School Start, these lists can be taken to your own vendor to purchase your child’s school supplies. Costs for supplies vary, based on grade, but range in price from approximately \$30-\$50 for the basic pack. Kindergarten students will be asked to bring in \$40 to cover shared supplies.

**Arts/Crafts** - Supplies above and beyond the regular classroom lessons (i.e. visiting guest artists, craft projects) and a “no cost” option will be available.

**Musical Instruments** – Students in music class will learn to play the recorder. Students have the option of purchasing one through school for approximately \$6.00. Also, our Grade 7 students who have signed up for band will either purchase or rent an instrument.

**Field Studies and Field Trips** – We hope that classes will be able to enjoy educational visits to community facilities, which extend and enhance the curriculum (i.e. Greater Vancouver Zoo, Water Slides, etc.), or be able to invite special guests into classrooms. While we often use PAC or school monies or fundraise to cover the costs of such activities whenever possible, there are times when parents are asked to donate towards the cost of admission and/or transportation. All field studies are optional.