



# St Philomena School

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## SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES 2023 SAINT PHILOMENA SCHOOL YEAR IS A FOUR TERM YEAR

### PRIMARY SCHOOL

<b>Tuition Fees:</b>	\$3120 p.a. or	\$780 per term	First Child
	\$2880 p.a. or	\$720 per term	Second Child
	\$2640 p.a. or	\$660 per term	Third Child
	\$2360 p.a. or	\$590 per term	Fourth Child

### SECONDARY SCHOOL

<b>Tuition Fees:</b>	\$4400 p.a. or	\$1100 per term	First Child
	\$4040 p.a. or	\$1010 per term	Second Child
	\$3760 p.a. or	\$940 per term	Third Child
	\$3400 p.a. or	\$850 per term	Fourth Child

Fees above are for Australian residents only. Students on visiting visas should contact the administration office.

### Concession for siblings attending the School

As shown above, a concession on school fees is granted for multiple siblings attending the school at the same time. The charging of tuition fees will be capped at four children per family, with fifth and subsequent siblings attending on a Tuition Fee free basis. Other charges, such as resource levies, bus fees, excursions, sporting fees etc. will continue to be charged for all students as applicable, unless stated otherwise.

Private arrangements cannot be entered into in relation to school fees as they are fixed at the above rates for the Year 2023. Consideration will be given however, to payment of these fees on a regular periodic basis. **This is a privilege** and not a right and will be withdrawn if payments fall into arrears.

A 10% discount will be applied to 2023 tuition fees, if all prior year fees are paid by 31 January 2023 (zero balance on the School Statement).

### Initial Enrolment Fees

*Note: These fees are for enrolment only and are not credited towards school fees.  
All fees and charges are inclusive of GST (if applicable).*

**Application Fee** \$50 per family, charged only on the first child's application for enrolment at the school, to be sent with the Enrolment Application. This fee is non-refundable.

**Acceptance Fee** \$200 per family is required to confirm enrolment, on the first student only, when the school offers placement. This fee is non-refundable.

**Bond of:** \$500 per family, payable prior to commencement at the School. This bond will be held for the duration of each family's enrolment at St Philomena School and refunded, without interest, when the last student in the family leaves the school and all accounts are settled.

## **Payment of Fees and Charges**

Fees and charges are invoiced at the beginning of each term.

The preferred method of payment of term invoices is by Direct Credit into the school's bank account, details of which is provided on the invoice or can be obtained from the school administration office.

Accounts not paid within 30 days may incur an administration charge, unless a specific written settlement arrangement has been made with the School.

If a family considers that they may have difficulty in paying fees in any term they should contact the Business Manager before the fees are due, and make acceptable alternate arrangements for the payment of the fees. The School may accept deferred payment of fees.

## **Hardship discounts**

Applications for Hardship Discounts are considered in January for Terms 1 and 2 and in June for Terms 3 and 4. If financial circumstances change during the year (e.g. loss of position, redundancy), the school will consider applications for Hardship Discount outside these times.

## **Excursion fee**

An excursion fee of \$25 per student per term is levied to cover excursions and incursions organized by the school.

## **Resource Levy**

A Primary School Resource Levy of \$70 per student per term will be charged and included on term invoices. Monies from the Resource Levy are used to provide Primary Students with text books, stationery, workbooks, art and craft supplies and day-to-day resources used in the classroom throughout the year. Secondary School Students will be responsible for the purchase of their own book packs. Additional Secondary resources, such as art supplies, science lab supplies, worksheets, hire of class set text books and novels etc. will be covered by the Queensland Textbook & Resource Allowance which gets paid directly to the school for each Secondary Student by the Department of Education, Training & Employment on your behalf.

## **Grounds Fee**

A standard grounds fee of \$200 per family per term will be charged to your school account.

## **Computer hire fee**

Grade 11s and 12s are allocated laptop computers for use at school and at home. The hire fee of \$100 per annum per student will be invoiced per term to cover the cost of replacement, (every 3 years) and ongoing maintenance. Year 12 students may purchase their laptops for \$300 once graduated from St Philomena School.

## **Building Fund**

Future development of the School relies to a considerable extent on money raised through voluntary contributions to the Saint Philomena School Building Fund. Building alterations, minor building projects, major renovations and new buildings are made possible by Building Fund donations, as School Fees are not set to cover all this work. A voluntary Building Fund Contribution of \$500 per family, per annum will be included on the first term's fee invoice. All voluntary contributions to the Saint Philomena School Building Fund are tax deductible and receipts for same will be issued at the end of each financial year to all parents who have paid the levy.

**Pledge-Your-Support campaign** is another way parents and friends contribute towards the school's building projects. The campaign was launched in June 2016 and involves donors contributing a weekly donation to the School Building Fund (fully tax deductible) to pay for new buildings and facilities. An affordable weekly donation of \$20 is suggested.

**Withdrawal**

A student's enrolment is deemed to be continuous for the span of education years provided by the School. A full-term notice to the Principal, in writing, is required to advise of the withdrawal of all students leaving the school for reasons other than graduation. In the event of a student leaving the school mid-term, the full term's fees remain payable. If a full terms notice is not given, one terms tuition fee will be charged in lieu.

*Please Note: The above schedule of fees and charges are set by the School Board and may vary from time to time as determined by the School Board.*

Steven Morris  
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