



St Paul's Primary School

(A Catholic School of the Sacred Heart Parish)

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2018 School Fees

Fees are set on an annual basis after consultation between St Paul's and Sacred Heart Primary Schools and the Parish Priest and on advice from Catholic Education Office, Ballarat.

FEES for 2018 are made up as follows:

Fee	Annual	Applicable to	Description
School Fee	\$1000	Family	Families who feel they can afford to pay a little more than the set fee are encouraged to do so as a way of supporting families who are less fortunate. The money raised from school fees goes towards pastoral care and the general recurrent running costs associated with administering and maintaining our school buildings and grounds. An Additional \$20 has been included to cover the cost of the school magazine. One copy will go to each family with the opportunity to purchase additional copies later in the year.
Capital Fee	\$250	Family	Works of a Capital Nature (new buildings, major renovations and maintenance, major equipment purchases etc.) are wholly the responsibility of the School and Parish Community.
Technology Levy	\$50	Family	This is used to assist with the maintenance, purchasing, programming and updates of ICT equipment which is used by all students. <i>Please note the Device Purchase for Years 5&6 are separate from this levy.</i>
Continuous Raffle	\$40	Family	This is a donation to Fundraising. It is not compulsory. A raffle draw occurs at each school assembly during the year (ie: five draws per term). We will assume that you wish to participate unless you advise us otherwise.
Student Levy	\$265	Student	This levy covers student's stationery, subject levies, computer materials, computer internet access time and technology maintenance needs, materials, books, educational entertainment & excursions. 50% concession for student levy is available for 3rd and subsequent children in a family. N.B. Major camps for children from Grade 3 upwards are a separate cost.

CAMPS

All students are expected to attend, as participation in the camp program is a vital component of the Middle (Gr 3/4) and Senior (Gr 5/6) unit curriculums.

	Amount	Year level	
Camp	\$170	Gr 3 & 4	Lake Cullulleraine Prices at this stage are an estimation of costing for next year to enable families to budget and have it included in their payment plan. We will advise of actual cost as soon as it is known.
Camp	\$500	Gr 5 & 6	Campase Downs (near Kyneton) This is an adventure camp which will focus on team building and resilience.

ONE to ONE (1:1) DEVICES

Device Purchase	\$300	Gr 5 & 6	In 2018 all Gr 5 & 6 students will be issued with a 'Chromebook'. This will be their own 1:1 device to use at school which they will also be able to take home. Cost includes set up for the school network. They will own it and take it with them when they finish at St Paul's. Individual payment plans can be arranged.
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EXPECTATION & COMMITMENT

Every family is expected to pay their school fees as our school budget is reliant on this income to cover recurrent costs.

To assist us with budgeting we ask that you complete the Commitment Form on page 3 indicating your preferred method and frequency of payment etc. It should be returned to the school

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2017.

FAMILY FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME (FFAS)

The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat makes available FFAS to provide fee relief to eligible families (Pension/Health Care Card holders) and families who may experience financial difficulty. Application forms need to be completed at beginning of school year. In 2018 the FFAS will be \$730.

Should any family be unable to meet their fee commitment, they should contact the Principal or Parish Priest. It is the expressed intention of our School Community that no child be deprived of a Catholic Education because their family is unable to meet their fee commitment.

The Principal may be able to provide discretionary funding to alleviate the fee commitment.

PAYMENT METHODS AVAILABLE

For your convenience we accept payment by

- Cash
- Cheque
- EFTPOS
- Direct Debit
- Direct Credit
- Centrepay

Fees may be paid in the following ways:

- Annual – must be completed by 29th March, 2018 (conclusion of term one)
 - Term – 1/3 payment must be made by the end of terms 1 2 & 3 and completed by 21st September, 2018
 - Weekly, fortnightly, and monthly (to be completed by November) or as arranged with the school
- These options give families flexibility to budget in order to meet their fee commitments.

FEE PAYMENT OPTIONS

Below is a guide showing the amounts for payment by the year, term, month, fortnight or week. It is an indication to assist you in choosing the best option to suit your budget.

This does NOT

- include cost for camps (Grades 3 to 6 only) or device purchase (Grade 5 & 6 only)
- Take into account any concessions for which you may be eligible:
 - Victorian Conveyance
 - Student Levy Concession
 - Family Fee Assistance
 - Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

If you are eligible for these allowances and wish them to be deducted from your fees then the payments would be less.

	Direct Debit				
	Year	Term	Monthly	Fortnightly	Weekly
	1 payment	3 payments	10 payments	20 payments	40 payments
1 child	1,605.00	535.00	160.50	80.25	40.13
2 children	1,870.00	623.34	187.00	93.50	46.75
3 children	2,135.00	711.67	213.50	106.75	53.38
4 children	2,400.00	800.00	240.00	120.00	60.00

Please complete the 2018 School Fee Commitment (attached) and return to office no later than Friday 24th November 2017.

A member of the Admin team will then follow up with you to calculate your 2018 School fee repayments, complete any necessary claim forms etc.



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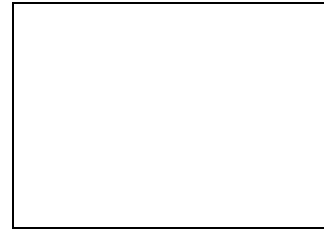
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2018 SCHOOL FEE COMMITMENT

Please complete and return THIS PAGE to school by FRIDAY, 24th November 2017

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Family Name: Parents Given Names:

I/We understand and accept the responsibility of contributing to the operation of St Paul's Primary School and undertake to honour the commitment we have indicated on this form.

Signed: Date:



If you would prefer to receive statements/receipts via email, please complete:

SIGN HERE

Email address:.....

I/We would like to like to pay our fees ~please tick one box:

- Annual - to be completed by end of Term 1 (29th March, 2018)
- Term - 1/3 payment must be made by the end of terms 1 & 2 & 3 and completed by 21st September, 2018
- Direct Debit (*Weekly, Fortnightly, OR Monthly*) - to be completed by early November
- Direct Credit (Internet Banking) to St Paul's Bank Account – to be completed by early November
- Centrelink payment deduction – to be completed by early November

Assistance with Fee Payment.....(please tick if appropriate)

- Other - **Family Fee Assistance Scheme (FFAS)** – I/we are eligible and hold a Heath Care Card (EMA)
- Other - I/we wish to discuss alternative fee support arrangements

Other Amendment to Fees (please tick if appropriate)

- We would like to claim the 50% concession on Student Levy for the 3rd and subsequent child.
- We DO NOT wish to participate in the Continuous Raffle.
- We DO NOT wish to include the cost of camp(s) to our payment plan. We will pay in full prior to camp.
- We DO NOT wish to include the cost of device purchase in our payment plan. We will pay in full by 29th March 2018 (end of term 1)
- We would like to pay a little extra on our fees to help provide School Fee relief for families who are less fortunate. Please indicate amount \$.....

Allowances (please tick if appropriate)

- We are eligible to claim **Victorian Conveyance Allowance** (must live in **Victoria more than 4.8km from the closest Catholic Primary School & satisfy eligibility criteria.**)
- We are eligible to claim NSW Conveyance Allowance (must live in NSW & satisfy eligibility criteria)
- We are eligible to claim **Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund CSEF** (must be eligible and hold a Heath Care Card)

Must complete application forms - available from the school office

