

3rd December 2024

Dear Parents

This letter is to inform you of the school fees and levies applicable for the 2025 school year and other important information. Many factors are considered in setting the fees and levies for the school including expenditure from previous years, realistic expenditure for the future, areas in need of maintenance and renewal throughout the school property and our loans for the new school buildings.

Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) meets the cost of all Teacher, Teacher Aide & Secretarial salaries within the Schedule of Staffing (Schools pay for staffing allocations over and above this schedule), and also provides services, programs & resources for schools. The sources of BCE's funding are Commonwealth & State grants supplemented by a levy on each systemic school (Archdiocesan Education Levy) based on the number of school families.

School Fees including levies for 2025 are:

1 Child - \$2730.00

- (Tuition fees \$1850.00 + Capital Levy \$550.00 + Levies/Bookpacks \$330.00)
- 2 Children \$4170.00
- (Tuition fees \$2960.00 + Capital Levy \$550.00 + Levies/Bookpacks \$660.00)
- 3 Children \$5240.00
- (Tuition fees \$3700.00 + Capital Levy \$550.00 + Levies/Bookpacks \$990.00)
- 4 Children \$5940.00
 - (Tuition fees \$4070.00 + Capital Levy \$550.00 + Levies/Bookpacks \$1320.00)

School Fees include:

- Tuition Fees Tuition fees fund the recurrent expenditure of the school including electricity, telephone, insurance, council charges, cleaning, security. It also includes wages for the employment of 'above schedule staff' such as our groundsman.
- Archdiocesan Education Levy The Archdiocesan Education Levy is a charge on schools which is sent to the central administration of Brisbane Catholic Education.
- Capital Levy A Capital levy of \$550.00 per family is included in your school fees
 - o The capital levy is used to pay loans relating to our program of capital works undertaken to date
 - o It helps maintain our existing facility
 - Please note this is not tax deductible
- Arts Council Performances, Dance Program, Wellbeing Program and Swimming
- General School Resources
- Student Accident Insurance

Levies:

Resource Levy

- \$80 per student Prep to Year 6
- This levy supports the purchase, maintenance and replacement of educational resources and reference material. This includes items such as reading books, sporting equipment, science equipment and music equipment. This levy is billed monthly with school fees.

Technology Levy

- \$150 per student Prep to Year 6
- This levy supports the Christ the King Technology Plan 2025 2028 and is billed monthly with school fees.

Stationery

Bookpack

- \$100.00 per student Prep to Year 6.
- This covers all stationery requirements and is billed with school fees in February.

Camps

Year 5 and 6 students will attend camp in 2025. The exact charge for this will not be known until next year but the Year 5 Camp will be approximately \$250.00 and the Year 6 camp will be approximately \$300.00. The camp fee will be added to your school fees. There will be no concession given on the camp fee.

Accounts

School fee statements are issued by email no later than the seventh day of the month from February to November and are due for payment fourteen days from the statement date if paying by EFTPOS, BPAY, BPOINT or cash. If paying by Direct Debit or Centrepay, fees may be paid on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. Accounts are to be finalised by the end of Term 4 each year.

Office Details

The office is open during term time from 8am to 3.30pm. The office is closed during school holidays and public holidays. Please note the office will be open the week before school starts from Monday 20th January, 2025. For general enquiries please contact Trish, our School Secretary. For any finance related enquiries, including appointments to see the Principal regarding concessions please contact Sarah, our Finance Officer.

Discount – Paying in advance

A discount of 5% applies if the full yearly amount of school fees is paid on or before Friday 28th February, 2025. Please note the discount applies to Tuition Fees & Capital Levy only. It does not apply to the resource levy, technology levy, bookpacks or camps.

Building Fund Donations

The Building Fund Donation is a voluntary donation and not a levy. It is 100% tax deductible and a separate receipt is available at the end of the financial year for tax purposes.

Concessions

Should you find yourself unable to pay school fees by the due date please contact the School Principal via the Finance Officer to confidentially discuss how the school can assist you. In cases of genuine hardship the school will consider offering a concession. Concession applications are accepted at the beginning of each year or when the hardship within the family occurs. Concessions are not ongoing and cannot be used to clear previous debt.

In our endeavour to keep fees and levies as reasonable as possible, we rely on the wholehearted support of each family in paying your fees promptly upon receipt of your account, by the due date indicated on your statement. Please note that, as a condition of enrolment, families agree to pay the fees charged.

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge your financial support of the school in 2024. It is our intention, as it has always been, that we keep the amount payable by parents as low as possible whilst providing quality educational opportunities and facilities for your children.

Yours sincerely

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Alish Conley Principal