



# St. Bernard's

## Catholic Primary School, East Coburg

11th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### 2026 Annual Tuition Fee

I hope this message finds you and your family well. I'm writing to share some information about our tuition and levy changes for the 2026 school year.

Decisions about school fees are never made lightly. We always take time to think carefully about what's best for our students and families, and how we can continue to provide the very best learning environment for every child. We also understand that many families have faced financial pressures this year, and we truly appreciate your continued support and understanding.

Like many schools, **St Bernard's Primary School** is experiencing increases in a number of operational costs – things like WorkCover premiums, Child Safety compliance, risk management, teacher resources and training, and central system costs.

In addition, our school's fees are partly influenced by the Commonwealth Department of Education's "Capacity to Contribute" (CTC) measure, which is reviewed each year to determine how much our community can contribute to the running of the school.

To continue providing a **personalised, high-quality education** that supports every child's academic, social, and emotional growth, we'll be making the following changes for 2026:

- **Annual Family Fee:** \$2,175
- **Curriculum Levy:** \$550  
*(for materials and programs that support your child's learning and wellbeing, including incursions and excursions)*
- **Maintenance Levy:** \$50 per student *(new for 2026)*  
*(this new levy will help cover regular maintenance, safety, and improvements to our school buildings and learning spaces, so they remain welcoming and well cared for)*

If you have any questions, or if you'd like to discuss your family's situation, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We want to support you and work with you to make this transition as smooth as possible.

Thank you for your ongoing trust, support, and partnership in your child's education. Together, we continue to make St Bernard's a wonderful place for our children to learn and grow.

Warm regards,

Julie Di Noto  
Principal