

St Joseph's Primary School

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School Fees Schedule 2026

The school Fee Structure has been set for 2026. It includes Family Fees and student levies which are inclusive of a Curriculum levy, ICT levy, Sports and Excursion Levy and Camp Fee (if applicable).

Family Fees have been set at the direction of Catholic Education Sandhurst Ltd (CESL), taking into consideration the increase to CPI cost of living and overhead cost.

You will notice a change in the structure for our Tech and Laptop Levy. Excitingly our year's 3 and 4 will now also have access to new shared devices, as our years 5 and 6 have been able to enjoy in the past. As a result these fees have now been combined to be one Tech Levy and will be greater for those in year 3-6.

As in prior years, the student Curriculum levy goes towards covering costs incurred in providing the latest in leading education programs and resources in each curriculum area. There are no additional costs for resources, equipment and materials for student learning.

The Sports and Excursion Levy has increased in line with CESL recommendations and allows us to continue to enjoy extracurricular activities both inside and outside school grounds. In 2025 we were able to enjoy and participate in activities such as:

Summer and Winter Sports
Trip to the Kyabram Fauna Park
Trip to the World of Discovery in Bendigo
Courage and Crowns Incursion
The Blurbs Incursion
Reconciliation Walk
Kaboom Sports
Interschool Football, Netball, Cricket, Tennis & Basketball
Swimming Week

As per previous years, Camp Fees have been determined in alignment with fees charged by our Camp facilitators, these fluctuate yearly depending on the camp chosen. Families will cover the camp costs, such as accommodation, meals and activities. Again the school will absorb other associated costs i.e. Bus travel and additional Staffing. In 2025 our years 5 and 6 enjoyed a 3 day camp to Burnside and the years 3 and 4 had a 2 day camp to Camp Kookaburra. In 2026 our years 5 and 6 will head to Cave Hill Creek camp for 3 days and the years 3 and 4 to Swan Hill Pioneer settlement for 2 Days. Please feel free to discuss payment options if you have concerns regarding payment for Camps.

The needs and circumstances of the community are always carefully considered when setting fees for the following year. Please note that fee remissions are available for families that are experiencing financial difficulty. In 2026 families may be eligible for the following Fee Relief:

- <u>CSEF Relief</u> (increased to \$400 per student)
- <u>School Based Fee Relief program</u> As directed by Catholic Education Sandhurst Ltd the school will also be offering a fee relief program where eligible families (who hold a Health Care card and meet a set criteria) will be offered relief on their 2026 fees, where by total fees paid will be reduced to a maximum of **\$540** per Student (after the CSEF has been deducted.) These Families will need to agree to a Direct Debit payment plan.

If you think you may be eligible, please contact the school to discuss this further.

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 Family Fees
 1 Child
 \$1,484

 2 Children
 \$1,624

3 Children + \$1,624

Levies

	Student Curriculum/ICT Levy	Camps, Sports and Excursions Levy	Total Levies
Foundation	\$385(\$285 Curriculum/\$100 Tech)	\$185 (\$110 excursion/\$75 Swimming)	\$570
Year 1	\$385(\$285Curriculum/\$100 Tech)	\$185 (\$110 excursion/\$75 Swimming)	\$570
Year 2	\$385(\$285 Curriculum/\$100 Tech)	\$185 (\$110 excursion/\$75 Swimming)	\$570
Year 3	\$535 (\$285Curriculum/\$250 Tech)	\$445 (\$120 excursion/\$75 Swimming/ \$250 Camp)	\$980
Year 4	\$535 (\$285 Curriculum/\$250 Tech)	\$445 (\$120 excursion/\$75 Swimming/ \$250 Camp)	\$980
Year 5	\$535 (\$285 Curriculum/ \$250 Tech)	\$695 (\$120 excursion/\$75 Swimming/ \$500 Camp)	\$1230
Year 6	\$535 (\$285 Curriculum/ \$250 Tech)	\$695 (\$120 excursion/\$75 Swimming/ \$500 Camp)	\$1230

School Banking Details: BSB - 083 543 Account No. - 457828991 Reference: Student Name