St. Andrew's Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

2026 Annual Tuition Fee

I am writing to provide you details of changes in tuition fees for the 2026 academic year.

Any decision to adjust tuition fees is never made lightly, nor without careful and thorough consideration of our students' needs and our school's capacity to provide an education experience that supports every student to flourish. We are also cognisant of the financial pressures that many families have experienced this year.

St Andrew's, too, is facing increasing costs in multiple areas of school operations, including WorkCover premiums, Child Safety compliance, risk management, teacher resources and professional learning, and higher central system costs.

Our tuition fees at St Andrew's Primary School are also influenced by the Commonwealth Department of Education's calculation of our community's ability to financially contribute to the operating costs of our school, known as the Capacity to Contribute, or CTC, which is reviewed annually.

To ensure that we can continue to deliver a personalised, high-quality education that is responsive to the diverse interests and academic, social and emotional needs of our students, it is necessary to adjust our fees in 2026.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the fee increase, or wish to discuss your individual circumstances, please do not hesitate to contact me. We remain committed to keeping tuition fees as low and affordable as possible, and to working closely with our community to make this transition as smooth as possible.

Thank you for your understanding. I am grateful for your ongoing support and trust in our school.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Martin Principal

2026 School Fee Structure

School fees assist the school in meeting the day-to-day costs of operating the school. This fee is charged per family.

Maintenance levies assist with the upkeep of the school. This fee is charged per family and will be removed if the family attends one of the scheduled Working Bees.

Building levies assist with school improvements and equipment purchases. This fee is charged per family.

Camp fees cover the cost of accommodation, food, transportation and recreational activities. This fee is charged per student in year 5 or 6.

Each year 5 & 6 student incurs a further levy to cover the Inter-School Sports program.

2026 Fee schedule				
Name of fee	Basis of charge	Amount	Due date	
*School fee	Per family	\$1,930	16-Oct-26	
*Maintenance levy	Per family	\$75	16-Oct-26	
*Building levy /Capital Levy	Per family	\$430	16-Oct-26	
**Student levy	Per student	\$785	20-Mar-26	
Inter-school Sports	Per student in year 5 or 6	\$90	20-Mar-26	
Camp	Per student in year 5 or 6	\$500	22-May-26	

^{*} Family-based fees (School, maintenance and building) totalling \$2,435 may be paid in quarterly instalments, payable as follows:

Instalments	Amount	Due date
Instalment 1	\$608.75	27 February 2026
Instalment 2	\$608.75	1 May 2026
Instalment 3	\$608.75	14 August 2026
Instalment 4	\$608.75	16 October 2026

^{**}Student Levies cover all costs associated with the compulsory curriculum. It also includes the cost of classroom materials and resources for curriculum areas such as Wellbeing, Sports, Art, Sustainability, Library books, the Swimming program, Excursions / Incursions and the provision & maintenance of Digital Technologies. This fee of \$785, together with the Inter-school Sports Levy of \$90 and the camp fee of \$500 is charged per student.

Preferred payment methods are Direct Debit / BPAY / EFTPOS (as per details on your statement).

For concession card holders, CSEF eligibility will be subject to the Parent/Legal Guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2026) or term two (20 April 2026). Further financial assistance is available for eligible families, please check https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14GhCv6_oSMQzLAyKyoYWQoWM6PU00Tno?usp=drive_link

Should you wish to pay monthly / fortnightly / weekly or have questions in relation to CSEF, please contact the school office via 9551 5094 or office@saclaytonsth.catholic.edu.au