



26th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

2025 Annual Tuition Fee

I am writing to provide you details of changes in tuition fees for the 2025 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.

Holy Cross PS, 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 Holy Cross PS 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.

School funding is complex, so I have included with this letter a simple school funding "explainer" which I hope will support your understanding of how government funds Catholic (and other non-government) schools and how tuition fees support our school.

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 2025.

As a result, Holy Cross's annual tuition fee increases by \$200 to \$400, or around \$4 to \$8 per week depending on the number of children you have at the school. This excludes building maintenance levy which is refundable on attendance of two working bees and Camps.

The school fee structure for 2025 is detailed in a table at the end of this document.

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.

SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE 2025

Family Fee and Levies	One Child	Two Children	Three or more Children
School Fee	\$2,600	\$2,900	\$3,100
Capital Building and Technology Levy	\$250	\$250	\$250
Building Maintenance Levy*	\$200	\$200	\$200

*rebtable on attendance of two working bees

Student Levies	Per Student
Curriculum Levy	\$350
Excursion Levy	\$80
Swimming Levy	\$50
Camp (Year 5-6)	\$330
Camp (Year 3-4)	\$280
Camp (Year 2)	\$125

A Fee Payment Option form will be sent to all families in December for completion.

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

Yours sincerely,

Kellie McDonald

Acting Principal