



OUR HOLY REDEEMER SCHOOL

11 November 2025

Dear Parents,

Subject: 2026 Annual Tuition Fee

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

The cost of operating our school is increasing in multiple areas including wages, insurance premiums, regulatory and compliance costs, risk management, teacher resources and professional learning.

The tuition fees at Our Holy Redeemer 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. A Direct Measure of Income (DMI) score for independent and Catholic schools comes from linking a student's parent/guardian names and addresses with their personal income tax data, allowing the Australian government to determine the median family income of the school's students and then convert that into a DMI score to inform CTC funding calculations. This data is securely collected by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) from various agencies, replacing previous area-based socio-economic scores with a more direct measure of individual family income.

The Commonwealth Department of Education has increased Our Holy Redeemer's DMI by two points, which equates to a reduction in 2026 Federal funding. Our Holy Redeemer is not an isolated case, with surrounding independent and Catholic schools being similarly impacted.

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 periodically review and adjust our fees. As a result, Our Holy Redeemer's annual tuition fee for a single child in 2026 will be \$3,320. This is an increase of \$260 per annum or \$5 per week - on 2025 fees.

Following on from consultation with our MACS Finance Business Partner and the OHR School Advisory Council, we have finalised our fully detailed Fee Structure for 2026 below.

If you have any questions in relation to the new Fee Structure, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any members of the School Advisory Council* at any time. Alternatively, should you wish to discuss your individual circumstances, you are encouraged to contact me personally.

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,
Frank Dame
Principal

**The members of the School Advisory Council include: Ben Brockhurst, Tiffiny Korda, Susannah Aumann, Peter Mannfolk, David Crawshay, Natalie Allan and James Prowse.*

FEES AND CHARGES - 2026

FEE PER ANNUM	
ONE CHILD	\$ 3,320.00
TWO CHILDREN	\$ 4,070.00
THREE OR MORE CHILDREN	\$ 4,620.00
 CAPITAL FEE PER FAMILY	 \$ 505.00
 MAINTENANCE FEE PER FAMILY	 \$ 210.00
 COMPOSITE LEVY PER CHILD	 \$ 550.00
 DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY LEVY PER CHILD	 \$ 160.00
 EXCURSION LEVY PER CHILD	 \$ 135.00
 SWIMMING LEVY PER CHILD	 \$ 130.00
 YEAR 3 & 4 CAMP - JUNGA	 \$ 300.00
 YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP – CANBERRA	 \$ 1300.00
 YEAR 3 & 4 SPORTS BUS LEVY	 \$ 50.00
 YEAR 5 & 6 SPORTS BUS LEVY	 \$ 125.00
 YEAR 5 & 6 LEADERSHIP DAY	 \$ 85.00

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COMPOSITE LEVY INCLUDES EACH CHILD'S STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS and CURRICULUM SUBSCRIPTIONS, WHICH IS PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL.

THE ANNUAL FEE ACCOUNT IS SENT OUT IN TERM 1 AND IS DUE AND PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SELECTED PAYMENT SCHEDULE, PROVIDED WITH THE ACCOUNT. FEES MAY BE PAID BY DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD, VIA INTERNET BANKING OR BY INSTALMENTS THROUGH OUR DIRECT DEBIT FACILITY.