

# FEE SCHEDULE

School Fees as approved by the School Board in consultation with the Finance Committee. The payment of school fees is a responsibility and commitment by families, and ensures the school maintains quality education and resources for the benefit of the students.

## **BILLING INFORMATION**

School Fees will be invoiced annually (at the beginning of the year) with statements issued once per term. Payment plans are to be established and organised to ensure you meet your financial obligations to the school. Following a change to Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) Fee Policy, all families must enter a payment plan. All fee accounts are due and payable by the <u>due dates provided on the Payment Option Agreement Form</u> unless prior arrangements have been made to make payments by instalments or other means.

### **SCHOOL FEES**

	FULL SCHOOL FEE	LOWER INCOME SCHOOL FEE	
1 Child	\$2,800	\$1,680	
2 Children	\$4,900	\$2,940	
3 Children	\$6,300	\$3,780	
**Visa Contribution	\$5,000		

### FULL TUITION FEES PAYMENT DISCOUNT

A payment of the "Full School Fee" will result in a discount of 5% and will only apply if it is paid in full on or before 28/2/25. Please make your full payment less the discount below:

1 CHILD = \$140.00 2 = CHILDREN = \$245.00 3 CHILDREN = \$315.00 4 CHILDREN = \$315.00

#### VISA/SCHOOLING RESOURCE STANDARD(SRS) FUNDING CONTRIBUTION FEE

Students who are Dependents of Overseas Students, ie. In Australia on a visa, do not qualify for Government Funding under the SRS. Families will be charged an SRS Funding Contribution Fee which is currently \$5,000. This fee is **in addition to the standard full school fee** and is payable prior to the commencement of the school year.

## **PAYMENT FREQUENCY - (using the direct debit system)**

FULL SCHOOL FEE	Weekly	Fortnightly	Monthly	Term
	(52 weeks)	(26 fortnights)	(12 months)	(4 terms)
1 Child	\$54	\$108	\$234	\$700
2 Children	\$94.50	\$189	\$409	\$1,225
3 or more Children	\$121.50	\$243	\$525	\$1,575
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LOWER INCOME SCHOOL FEE	Weekly	Fortnightly	Monthly	Term
	(52 weeks)	(26 fortnights)	(12 months)	(4 terms)
1 Child	\$32.50	\$65	\$140	\$420
2 Children	\$57	\$114	\$245	\$735
3 or more Children	\$73	\$146	\$315	\$945

# **PAYMENT METHODS**

St Raphael's offers the following payment options:

- Direct Debit System Direct payment via savings a/c or credit cards
- Qkr Direct payment via credit cards
- EFTPOS Either savings account or credit cards
- BPAY payment details are listed on family statements
- Cash
- Cheques will not be accepted
- AMEX will not be accepted

Payment times at school are as follows (unless special arrangements have been made) Monday – Friday from 8.30am to 3.30pm.

### **PAYMENT OPTION AGREEMENT FORM**

The Payment Option Agreement Form must be completed and returned to the school for assessment and processing.

### SCHOOL CARD SCHEME

The School Card Scheme is administered by the Department of Education SA. It is an income means tested scheme providing assistance for low-income families towards the cost of education expenses.

For eligible families, St Raphael's will grant the family "Lower Income School Fee".

School Card application forms will be available from the School Office in. Applications must be made each year. Families applying for School Card must continue to make payments prior to its approval.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT/HARDSHIP

Families who are experiencing difficulty in meeting their financial liability are asked to contact the school immediately to discuss the situation. All discussions and ensuing arrangements are treated in the strictest confidence.

A Fee Remission in addition to the Lower Income School Fee is available to families who are experiencing extreme financial difficulty. Applications for Fee Remission are available from the Business Manager's Office and are assessed by the Finance Committee.

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR CHARGES**

Camp, choir and sporting fees will be charged separately. Please note additional charges are not included in direct debit and credit card payment plans.

WITHDRAWAL OF A STUDENT

St Raphael's Catholic Primary School requires one term's notice in writing to the Principal. Failure to meet this requirement will result in one term's fee penalty. All accounts must be fully paid prior to the student leaving the school.

## **OVERDUE ACCOUNTS AND LATE FEE**

If you are unable to pay school fees prior to the due date, please notify the school immediately. Families who fall behind in the payment of fees are urged to contact the school as a matter of urgency to discuss payment options. Overdue statements will be forwarded during the year with reminders as are necessary. Failure to comply with the above will result in the account being passed to the Catholic Education SA's (CESA) Debt Collection team.