

## 2025 Tuition Fees and Levies

Catholic Education for the families of St Simon's Community is only possible with the financial partnership between home and school. We aim to have 100% of our families make their payments in one of three ways: In full at the start of the year, per term or direct debit periodically - please remember to update direct debit / card details with the Office annually.

As directed by Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools (MACS) we have adjusted our fees within their policy requirements, this has resulted in some increases based on the Educational CPI.

The following is a list and brief explanation of our charges.

### FAMILY FEES (per family)

Tuition Fee **\$2290**

Capital & Maintenance Fee **\$100**

### STUDENT FEES (per student)

Prep/Foundation	<b>\$720</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions & Swimming
Year 1	<b>\$720</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions & Swimming
Year 2	<b>\$720</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions & Swimming
Year 3	<b>\$805</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions, Swimming & Camp
Year 4	<b>\$980</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions, Swimming & Camp
Year 5	<b>\$1245</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions, Swimming & Camp
Year 6	<b>\$1245</b>	Includes Class Levy, Booklist, Excursions, Swimming & Camp

*Both swimming and camp are compulsory programs, you cannot simply opt-out.*

***Please note that families moving schools during the year will only be rebated a portion of the family fee as levies are expended in advance.***

## **Camp Schools Excursion Fund**

The Camp Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

CSEF application forms are available from the office.

## **MACS Concessional Fee Policy**

School families are strongly encouraged to apply for concessional school fees if they meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Any family of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage.
- Any family holding an HCC and eligible for CSEF.
- Any family experiencing severe financial hardship.
- Any family holding a DVA Gold Card.
- Any family identified as refugees and holding an ImmiCard.
- Any family required to relocate their (Australian resident) child to St. Michael's Catholic Primary School, North Melbourne, due to the child requiring long-term medical treatment at The Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne. Pro-rata concession is provided for part-year attendance. An annual statutory declaration is required to confirm eligibility.
- HSS who attend a MACS primary school on a part-time basis, who meet any of the criteria detailed above.

To apply, please contact the school office.

## **Billing**

All families will have their school fees and student levies billed in February 2025 with a statement emailed in the first week of term.

In 2025, monthly statements will be issued by the school. This will also include families on a direct debit plan.