

# Fees Policy



At Mary Immaculate School we are committed to providing a Catholic education for all children whose parents desire it. Our enrolment policy, in accordance with the Vision of Brisbane Catholic Education, recognises our responsibility to provide education within the availability of places for Catholics of Mary Immaculate Parish, siblings of families within the school, Catholics outside Mary Immaculate Parish and non-Catholics who support the ethos and values of Catholic education.

Once enrolled, all are welcomed as part of the Mary Immaculate School community.

Our aim is to provide an holistic education based on Catholic values through a partnership with

parents, teachers and staff, the community, Brisbane Catholic Education and Government agencies. In order to provide a quality education we rely on Government funding and school fees. It is necessary to charge school fees in order to pay electricity, insurance, rates, security, cleaning, telephone, maintenance and administration costs.

Teaching resources are provided through school fees.

In 2021, your School Fees also provide:

- Excursions and cultural activities, such as Arts Council.
- Some aspects of the Physical Education program, including swimming and sports carnivals.

## 2021 School Fees

### TUITION FEES & STUDENT LEVIES AND EXCURSIONS

	Year	Term	Month (x10)	Not included in fees
1 Child	\$2,656.00	\$664.00	\$276.50	Camp and Canberra for years 4-6 will be billed separately.
2 Children	\$3,660.00	\$915.00	\$387.50	
3 Children	\$4,470.00	\$1,117.50	\$471.00	
4 Children	\$5,062.00	\$1,265.50	\$526.50	

### OTHER LEVIES/CHARGES

		Voluntary	Tax deductible
Library (per family, per year)	\$100	Yes	Yes
Parish (per family, per year)	\$40	Yes	No

# Levies

Fees are set each year in accordance with recommendations from the Brisbane Catholic Education Council and approved by the School Board and Parish Priest. Part of the fee includes a compulsory Capital Levy which supports the school's capital loan repayments and capital expenditure on school buildings, grounds and equipment. The tuition fee includes the Archdiocesan Education Levy and Catholic Futures Fund paid to Brisbane Catholic Education. The Archdiocesan Education Levy contributes towards resources provided by Brisbane Catholic Education for all schools in the Archdiocese and the Catholic Futures Fund contributes towards future schools in the Archdiocese.

At Mary Immaculate we rely on all families to contribute. It is expected that families adhere to the fee schedule. We recognise that at times some families will experience financial difficulties. Where families find it necessary to seek a fee concession, the Fees Concession Policy will be followed.

## Fees Concession Policy & Procedure

1. Families wishing to apply for concessional fees should contact the office for advice on what paperwork to provide. This will be followed by an interview with the Principal or their representative.
2. The application and/or interview process is aimed at determining a just and equitable fee that is within the family's ability to pay.
3. Once a fee concession is granted, it is essential that this commitment is honoured in full and on time. If family circumstances change the school must be informed.

4. If a concession is granted to a family, it is expected that the Direct Debit option of payment is put in place. If concessions are required beyond the current year, new arrangements must be negotiated each school year.
5. Unless prior arrangements have been made, the school expects that agreed fees will be paid by the due date. If there is a problem in meeting this deadline, please contact the office and make an appointment to meet with the Principal.

Any concessional fee arrangements may be reviewed by the Principal.

## School Fees Billing Procedure

1. An account of full fees and levies will be issued by the school at the beginning of each term, payable within 14 days of issue.
2. Any arrangements to vary the terms of payment must be made with either the Principal or Financial Secretary.
3. Reminders of outstanding accounts will be processed within seven [7] days after the due date.
4. Accounts which remain outstanding fourteen [14] days after the due date will be dealt with in one or more of the following ways:-
  - Phone contact by the Financial Secretary.
  - Letter from the Principal
  - Interview with the Principal
5. Where accounts still remain unpaid one month after the due date and no appropriate arrangements have been made to pay the agreed fee, the account may be placed in the hands of a debt collector

Since 1917, we have proudly educated generations from Annerley and its surrounding suburbs.

We look forward to welcoming your family to the Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary School community, one that is, culturally rich and a size where every child is known, encouraged and given the opportunity to excel.

