

St Pius X CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2024 School Fees and Levies

Dear Parent/Guardian,

School Fees are billed per Family and Student Levies are billed per student. Statements are sent out in Term 1 with the full amount payable per annum.

You can elect to pay school fees as an annual payment in Term 1, three equal instalments in Term 1, 2 and 3, by credit card, cash, BPAY or by Direct Debit (monthly or fortnightly).

Every child is charged an annual fee covering items such as Excursions, Incursions, Religious Education, Class sets, Library, Information Technology, PE Costs and other educational resources.

Camp fees (if applicable) will be charged separately prior to commencing activities.

PROCEDURE FOR COLLECTING SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

- i. Fees are due for payment within 7 days of the beginning of each Term.
- ii. Payments can be made by Direct Debit Authority, BPAY, MasterCard and Visa card, EFTPOS card. Please contact the school office for further information.
- iii. Fees paid in <u>total</u> in Term 1 will have an early payment discount of 5% applied to their family account. This excludes student levies.
- iv. All Fees and levies must be finalised by 1st September (Term 3).
- v. In the event that the fees have not been paid by the due date the following procedures will be implemented:
 - a) A reminder statement will be sent in Term 2 and a Fees Statement reminder in Term 3, if applicable (excluding Direct Debit authorities).
 - b) A repayment schedule to accommodate current needs may be negotiated in circumstances where financial hardship can be demonstrated after discussion with the Principal. Agreed arrangements for periodical payment of fees will ensure that the outstanding debt is reduced, and that any debt is contained within reasonable limits and the repayment plan is manageable by the parents.
 - c) If no response is received within 14 days of the due date, a request will be forwarded for an interview with the Principal.

If you have any concerns regarding the payment of school fees, please make an appointment with the Principal or contact the School Office.

2024 FEES SCHEDULE

St Pius X		
Family Fees	\$1055	
Curriculum Levy/Student	\$644	
ICT Levy / Student	\$155	
Building Levy	\$100 Total \$1954	
Camp Levy* (Grades 4 – 6)	\$370 Total \$2324	

An early payment discount of 5% applies to St Pius X Family Fees \$1009.00 (\$958.55). This excludes student levies (Curriculum & ICT), and Camp Levies (New family and Annual fees).

Camps, Sports, Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply for a Victorian Government CSEF payments. The CSEF provides payments, currently \$125 per annum, for eligible students to attend activities like: school camps or trips; swimming and school-organised sport programs; and excursions & incursions.

How to Apply

For more information regarding the contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

MACS Concessional School Fees Policy

To assist school families in accessing a Catholic primary education for their child/children, the Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic schools has introduced from 2022, a concessional fee policy. The following families are strongly encouraged to apply:

- Any family of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage.
- Any family holding an HCC and eligible for CSEF.
- Any family holding a DVA Gold Card.
- Any family identified as refugees and holding an ImmiCard.

2024	Start date	Finish date
Term 1	students start 30 January	28 March
Term 2	15 April	28 June
Term 3	15 July	20 September
Term 4	7 October	20 December

In Term 1 Prep Students have every Wednesday off in February as rest day Rest day 31stJan, 7th Feb, 14th Feb, 21st Feb & 28th Feb