

2024 TUITION FEES

ENROLMENT APPLICATION FEE

A non-refundable fee of \$110 (inc. GST) is payable on registration.

ENROLMENT ACCEPTANCE FEE (Year 7-12)

A non-refundable Enrolment Acceptance Fee of \$800 is payable within [4] weeks of acceptance of the offer of a place at the College and will be credited to your first account. Subsequent to the completion of the enrolment process, should parents find it necessary to withdraw their Acceptance, the following arrangements will apply to the Enrolment Acceptance Fee: Notification of withdrawal received prior to 31 March of the preceding year of enrolment - 50 % refund of fee paid. Notification of withdrawal received after 31 March - No refund of fee paid.

BUILDING LEVY

A compulsory levy of \$1200 per annum is charged per family. It assists with the capital development of new learning facilities and major refurbishment of existing facilities.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LEVY

A levy of \$540 per annum is charged per family. It partially offsets the costs of providing information and communication technology across all learning areas.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

A comprehensive program is offered to students in a one-on-one lesson with a music tutor. The program costs \$1275 and consists of 32 half hour lessons. Students studying Music as a WACE subject in Years 11/12 please refer to the Music Handbook for fee information.

Instrument hire costs vary and commence at \$350 per annum. For more information please email the Director of Music at music@mercedes.wa.edu.au

PARENTS & FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION (P&F)

Each family is admitted as a member of the P&F when their daughter commences at the College. A levy of \$80 per annum will be charged to your account.

SPEECH

Group lessons are offered at a cost of \$900 per annum. For more information please email our Enrolment team at enrolments@mercedes.wa.edu.au

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

College policy requires three [3] months of written notice be given to the Principal.

INSURANCE

The College has in place a Personal Accident Insurance policy which provides a limited range of capital benefits dependent upon the nature and extent of injury. Please be aware this policy only covers non medicare items (services provided by Doctors cannot be claimed). This cover extends to all school based excursions and activities throughout the year. The College cannot accept responsibility for loss of, or damage to personal effects and property, or liability incurred by students for property damage.

CATHERINE McAULEY BURSARY PROGRAM

A limited number of bursaries are offered to assist families in genuine financial difficulty. Please contact the Principal's office to obtain an application form.

SIBLING REBATE

A sibling rebate will apply when two or more daughters are enrolled at the College. The first student pays full fees, the second student receives a 10% tuition fee discount and the third and subsequent student (s) receive a 20% tuition fee discount.

2024 ANNUAL TUITION FEES AND CHARGES

In determining the 2024 tuition fees, the College Finance Committee and Advisory Council were very conscious of the need to set fees at a level that provides the College with the essential income to meet its ongoing financial commitments now and into the future. We have managed to keep the required increase to a minimum and below the current CPI with 4% overall as listed below. This Tuition fee incorporates items which are an integral part of the curriculum, charged separately in prior years.

| Year | Tuition Fee* | Building Levy | Information Technology Levy | P&F Levy | Camp |
|------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------|-------|
| | | per family | | | |
| 7 | \$11,240 | \$1,200 | \$540 | \$80 | \$160 |
| 8 | | | | | - |
| 9 | | | | | \$310 |
| 10 | | | | | - |
| 11 | | | | | \$310 |
| 12 | | | | | - |

*Subject Electives are not covered by the Tuition Fee

A Pastoral Care Levy and a separate Reflection Day charge of between \$50 to \$170 per students will also be charged to cover year group excursions and activities.

PAYMENT OPTIONS AND METHODS

An annual charge for tuition fees and charges is raised at the start of the year.

The College offers the following payment options (all accounts are to be finalised by 23 November 2024):

| OPTION 1 | OPTION 2 | OPTION 3 | OPTION 4 |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Annual Payment | 3 Instalments | 10 Monthly Instalments | 20 Fortnightly Instalments |
| Paid in full by Feb 2024 | 23 Feb, 23 May and 23 Aug 2024 | 23 Feb – 23 Nov 2024 | 16 Feb – 8 Nov 2024 |
| Credit Card or Direct Bank Transfer | Can <u>ONLY</u> be paid via the College's Direct Debit / Credit Card Scheme (details to be provided for automatic processing) | | |

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Current instalment plans of 12 monthly instalments and 26 fortnightly instalments may remain in place. In the event families are unable to meet this requirement, please contact the Principal or Business Manager prior to the due date to discuss payment arrangements.

Australian Government Assistance - The Australian Government, through Centrelink provides assistance to families with the following three programs - Youth Allowance / Austudy 132490; Abstudy 132317; Assistance for Isolated Children 132318. For more information contact: Centrelink.

State Government Assistance - Provides assistance to families with a concession card through the Secondary Assistance Scheme. Application forms are available through the office and must be completed at the start of the school year. Bank Account details will be required to enable payments to be made by Electronic Funds Transfer.

The deadlines for applications is Friday 29 March 2024.

The College reserves the right to alter Fees and Charges and Terms & Conditions without prior notice. The College will charge GST where applicable.

