FEES & CHARGES 2017

FEE STRUCTURE FOR 2017

Year 7 - $6,760  
Year 8 - $6,485  
Year 9 - $6,565  
Year 10 - $6,625  
Year 11 - $7,040  
Year 12 - $7,335

The composite school fee covers the following items:

- Tuition Fee
- Subject Photocopying & Printing
- School Lock (Year 7)
- Student Insurance
- Camps/Retreats during the year
- Sports Fee
- Year Book

SUBJECT CONSUMABLES

Subjects that have a high consumable cost attract an additional fee for resources. This includes, but is not limited to, Home Economics, Art and TIDE. These costs are detailed on the College website.

CERTIFICATE COURSES

All Certificate course incur an auspicing fee that is paid to an external provider.

SPORTS FEE

Included in the tuition fees, this covers all bus charges, admission fees to swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals.

BUILDING & TECHNOLOGY LEVY

The Building and Technology Levy has been set at $530 per family and is **not** included in the above fee. Families with two or more children at Prendiville will only be charged $530. The levy helps provide new buildings, establish or replace computing hardware, purchase additional capital equipment for student use and assists with payment of the substantial interest costs on our outstanding capital debt. This levy is the amount recommended by the Catholic Education Office.

SCHOOL BUS REPLACEMENT FUND

The School Bus Replacement Fund is $35 per student and is **not** included in the above fee. This provides reserve funds for the replacement and maintenance of our school buses.

PARENTS & FRIENDS (P&F) LEVY

The Parents and Friends Levy remains at $75 per family and is **not** included in the above fee.

MUSIC

Private instrumental music tuition and the related hire of instruments are charged on an individual basis. Information regarding tuition is available from the Music Department and is included in the orientation package. Payment for Music tuition is made direct to the tutor, **not** to the school.

HEALTH CARE CARD & PENSION CONCESSION CARD HOLDERS

In 2017 the College will discount fees for current holders of an eligible Health Care (HCC) or Pension Concession Card (PCC). The subsidy discounts the Tuition Fee to a limit of $1,400. Camps, school locks, yearbook, subject consumables, Certificate fees, School Bus Replacement Fund, Building & Technology Levy and P&F Levy are additional.

Eligibility rules apply so parents/guardians are invited to present their original HCC/PCC card & if eligible, complete the application form available at the Finance Office from December 2016. Please note: The HCC discount does not apply to HCC cards in the name of the student, DVA TPI & Gold, White or Orange PCC, Commonwealth & DVA Seniors HCC, Carer Allowance HCC, Mobility Allowance HCC, Ex-Carer Allowance (Child) HCC, Foster Child HCC or ABSTUDY students who access alternative government support.

Application for the **Secondary Assistance Scheme** can also be made at the same time. Applications close on the last day of Term 1, 7th April 2017.

DISCOUNT FOR FAMILIES

Sibling discounts for children attending Prendiville Catholic College are as follows:

- 2 Children at Prendiville Catholic College  $ 540 deducted from the annual account
- 3 Children at Prendiville Catholic College  $1,935 deducted from the annual account
- 4 Children at Prendiville Catholic College  $6,250 deducted from the annual account
Sibling discounts for eligible HCC/PCC holders will be applied as follows:

- 2 children at Prendiville Catholic College: $170 deducted from annual account
- 3 children at Prendiville Catholic College: $625 deducted from annual account
- 4 children at Prendiville Catholic College: $1,635 deducted from annual account

**PAYMENT OPTIONS: OPTION ADVICE FORM & DIRECT DEBIT DISCOUNTS**

Payments can be made on a weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly, half yearly or annual basis. We welcome Cash, Cheque, BPAY, Direct Debit, EFTPOS, Visa and MasterCard. Credit card payments can also be made via telephone. The options available for payment of fees are detailed on the Option Advice Form (OAF) which is emailed with the annual fee statement in February. Direct debit forms are also included. All families are required to complete and return the OAF by 17th February 2017.

A discount of $50 will be credited to your fee account if the Option Advice Form is returned to the Finance Office by 17th February and the first fee payment is received by 23rd February 2017.

A further $50 discount will be applied to your fee account if the Direct Debit Form (bank account) AND Option Advice Form are returned by 17th February AND the first direct debit is made by 23rd February. No discounts will be applied after this date. These discounts are deducted from final fee instalments. Please note: The direct debit discount does not apply to full payment discount recipients.

**FULL PAYMENT DISCOUNT**

A discount will be applied to the annual fee for parents who pay the whole year account prior to 23rd February 2017. This discount is $150 for each child in your family attending Prendiville Catholic College. Holders of a HCC/PCC will be entitled to a full payment discount of $50. Please note: The direct debit discount does not apply to recipients of the full payment discount.

**FEE REMISSIONS**

The School Board understands that some families may have a genuine case of financial hardship. Parents finding themselves in this situation are requested to contact the Bursar, Mr Raphael to discuss their situation.

**REFUND POLICY**

For students withdrawing from the school during the year, one term's notice in writing to the Principal is required to qualify for a refund. Verbal notification is not considered due notice. A pro rata refund or credit to the Family account will be applied accordingly. Students departing as at the end of Term 3, or during Term 4, are not eligible to receive a refund.

**CAMP, RETREAT AND EXCURSION REFUNDS**

In most cases these are prepaid in order to confirm the booking. In this respect, it may not be possible to offer full refunds on these items for non-attendance.

**SCHOOL FEE COLLECTION POLICY**

Parents please note this detailed policy in the College Board Fees Policy Statement.

**INSURANCE**

The College’s Policy covers serious injuries at school in those circumstances where the school has legal liability. This includes excursions and camps. The school also provides a student personal accident insurance policy with limited benefits. This policy covers all students enrolled at Prendiville Catholic College for 24 hours/day, 365 days/year at school or home. A table of benefits is provided on a separate handout. Similar cover will again be provided for 2017.

If an ambulance is called to transport your child to hospital, the cost is paid by the parents. The approximate cost of an ambulance trip from Ocean Reef to Princess Margaret Hospital is $932. We strongly recommend that all parents take out ambulance cover or check to see if their private health insurance covers such situations. Those on work experience are required to take out special insurance.

Voluntary workers - administration, “busy bees”, etc are covered under the College’s voluntary workers’ policy.