

December 2020

Dear Parents,

SCHOOL FEES AND STUDENT LEVIES 2021

I write to you with advice of the School Fees and Student Levies Structure for 2021

We have recently reviewed the 2020 school financial year for SFX and accordingly set the School Fees and Levies for 2021

The set level of School Fees and Levies are based on the review, future plans and are in accordance with the Annual Financial Guidelines structured by the Catholic Education Melbourne 2020

As a result of the review and changes to our school fee structure, fees DECREASE in 2021. This is wonderful news for all families. Making Catholic Education more affordable and accessible for all families.

Our School Fees and Levies have remained comparable with those of our neighbouring Catholic Primary Schools and have assisted in enhancing our facilities and providing much needed physical and human resources in recent years. Considering the 2021 government grants, current inflationary rate and the projected needs of our school, fees and levies are set as outlined.

Family Fees help cover the cost of salaries, council rates, water, power, ICT infrastructure and equipment, grounds, building maintenance, learning spaces and associated furniture and equipment.

Student Levies cover the curriculum requisites for the delivery of the learning & teaching program for all classroom and specialist areas including costs associated with student stationery, photocopying, excursions/incursions activities, sport carnivals, swimming programs, carols etc.

We will not be asking you for any other school fees or charges during the year (except for school camps which are yet to be confirmed)

In addition to this all students will be provided with either an Ipad or Chrome book (school owned) to support their learning in 2021. Education Apps are downloaded and these costs are also covered by the Student Levy.

It is most important and to the advantage of all students that parents keep to their commitment made as part of their enrolment acceptance to meet their ongoing financial obligations to the school.

In cases of genuine financial hardship a process of support is available. I encourage parents/families in financial need to pursue this avenue of support as it is my belief that no child will be denied a Catholic Education due to a family's inability to pay fees.

If you wish to speak to the school about financial hardship please email principal@sfxmontmorency.catholic.edu.au to make an interview appointment.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT & SUPPORT

We acknowledge and appreciate all parent assistance and contributions made to the school throughout the year. It is welcomed and required because volunteering makes possible many wonderful student activities and events. Volunteering also offers family engagement with student education, building relationships and community.

We ask each family to contribute in one way or more throughout the course of the year, wherever your talents, interests and time best suits you! Some ways you can contribute are: Class Helpers In Literacy, Numeracy, Art & Excursions, School Sport Carnivals And Activities, Fete Volunteers, Working Bees, Canteen, Uniform Shop, Committees – Parents Association, School Advisory Council, , Parish Pastoral Council, etc. We Look Forward To Your Engagement And Support.

St Francis Xavier is committed to the wellbeing and safety of all students. It is a requirement that all volunteers have a current Working with Children Check.

Kindly return relevant documents by WEDNESDAY 09 December 2020

Yours sincerely,



Philip Cachia
Principal

ST FRANCIS XAVIER PRIMARY SCHOOL MONTMORENCY

SCHOOL FEES & STUDENT LEVIES 2021

SCHOOL FEES – Per Family

The annual breakdown is as follows:

FAMILY FEE	\$2300 per family
BUILDING LEVY	<u>\$ 200</u> per family (\$100 of which is refundable – see below) **
STUDENT LEVY	\$ 500 per student ALL YEAR LEVELS – Prep to Yr 6
TOTAL ANNUAL FEE	<u>\$3000</u> for ONE Child in 2021

FOR 2 students \$ 3500 per annum

FOR 3 students \$ 4000 per annum

FOR 4 students \$ 4500 per annum

ALL stationery items will be purchased & distributed to your child in class as required through a bulk order. There will be some small items requested via your child's classroom teacher in readiness for 2021. This will be given to you with your child's end of year report.

** \$100.00 is CREDITED (amount will be deducted from the School Building Levy) if ONE working bee is attended throughout the year.

We plan to have two working bees in 2021

- Semester One Working Bee A to K families
 - Semester Two working Bee L to Z families
- normally from 9am to 12 noon on a Saturday morning (minimum 2 hours)

CAMP FEES have not been included in the above, this will be billed separately, with notification in 2021.

Prep	\$3000
Year 1	\$3000
Year 2	\$3000
Year 3	\$3000
Year 4	\$3000
Year 5	\$3000
Year 6	\$3000

ALL fees, student levies & building levy are now included in this cost. This new simple, flat fee structure presents reduced costs for all families Prep to Year 6.

(In 2021 a further reduction of 7 %)

2020 COVID SWIMMING REBATE

For those families who have paid 2020 school fees in full, your 2021 monthly payments will be reduced by \$100.00 over the year. In essence you have already paid for swimming 2021.

Please take this into account when calculating your fees in particular your direct debit.

PAYMENT OPTIONS 2021

OPTION 1 –

Full Payment by 29 March 2021

(Cash, Cheque, Credit Card, EFTPOS, B-pay)

OPTION 2 –

DIRECT DEBIT BY CREDIT CARD Payable over 10 months. Payments will be deducted on either the **15th OR 28th** of each month ending in November 2021 (February to November)

OPTION 3 –

DIRECT DEBIT BY BANK ACCOUNT Payable over 10 months. Payments will be deducted on either the **15th OR 28th** of each month ending in November 2021.

THERE WILL BE A \$10 DISHONOUR FEE FOR ANY DIRECT DEBITS THAT ARE DISHONoured.

PLEASE ENSURE THERE ARE SUFFICIENT FUNDS IN YOUR ACCOUNT.

If a Direct Debit form is NOT returned by Wednesday 09 December 2020 you have then elected to pay in full by 29 March 2021.

This is the only opportunity to pay by Direct Debit

MONTHLY DIRECT DEBIT SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT SLIP 2021

CREDIT CARD

FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Card Type: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Number: - - - - - / - - - - - / - - - - - / - - - - -

Expires: - - - - - / - - - - - Amount: \$ - - - - - . - - - - per month

Please select either 15th ☐ **OR** 28th ☐ of each month
(One date only for your monthly debit)

Family Messenger: _____ Year: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

OR

MONTHLY DIRECT DEBIT BY BANK ACCOUNT

FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER. PLEASE COMPLETE THE ATTACHED DIRECT DEBIT FORM NOMINATING

EITHER THE 15TH OR 28TH OF EACH MONTH.

Direct Debit Request 2021 – February To November

I/We request and authorise St Francis Xavier Primary School User ID 385186 to arrange, through its own financial institution, to debit funds from my/our nominated account at the financial institution shown below according to the details specified.

Name(s) or Company Name and ABN/ARBN:

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Address:

..... Postcode

Telephone: Email:

ELDEST CHILD's NAME Year Level

FAMILY NAME FAMILY PHONE NUMBER

Please deduct money from my/our Financial Institution account:

This debit will be made through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System (BECS) from your account held at the financial institution you have nominated below and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.

Name of Bank Account:

Name and Branch of Financial Institution where account is held:

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BSB Number: |__|__|__| - |__|__|__| Account Number: |__|__|__|__|__|__|__|__|__|__|

Please debit \$..... from the above account each month.

Please select 15th ☐ **or** 28th ☐ of the month

Commencing on: ____/02/2021

Finishing on ____/11/2021

Signature(s):

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(To be signed by both parties for joint accounts. If signing for a Company, sign and print full name and capacity for signing eg. Director.)

Date signed: ____/____/____