

# Wycliffe Christian School

## Fee Information – 2009



### Enrolment Registration Fee

A registration fee of \$50.00 is payable per family when lodging an Application for Registration Form for their child(ren) to be placed on the waiting list. This does not guarantee a position for the child, however, positions will be offered as they become available and in order of application as facilities allow.

### Enrolment Deposit

A family enrolment deposit of \$1,000 is payable to confirm the enrolment of the first child in each new family, from Kindergarten onwards. Children enrolling at Transition level pay a deposit of \$250 which is credited towards the \$1000 payable on entry into Kindergarten. The family enrolment deposit is refundable after the last child leaves the school provided each child has been enrolled for a school year.

The Enrolment Deposit is **not** refundable if:

- The enrolment position of any student within the family is relinquished before they have attended the school for a school year, or
- Less than a term's written notice is provided of withdrawal of students from the school. (The enrolment deposit is applied to any penalty fee owing and only the remaining balance is refunded after clearance of any debt), or
- If any fees owed to the school have not been paid (only the remaining balance is refunded after clearance of any debt)
- In the case of Transition students who do not continue with enrolment in Kindergarten, the \$250 deposit is non-refundable.

### Association Fee

The Association Fee of \$110 p.a. (including GST) is charged on your annual invoice (in December for the following year). This fee covers the cost of governance matters, meeting organisation and correspondence and is payable by all school families.

### Tuition Fees and Class Levies

To meet the requirements of the various Board of Studies curricula, the school charges an annual levy for each year that covers the cost of providing sundry items and activities essential to your child(ren)'s education. Tuition Fee and Service Levy components will be based on the fee table shown below.

**Please note. Children in the Transition Class are charged separately.**

Tuition Fees	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child	4th & subsequent children
If Kindergarten	\$2,900	\$2,900	\$2,220	\$Nil
If Yr 1	\$2,900	\$3,600	\$2,220	\$Nil
From Yr 2 to Yr 12	\$4,650	\$3,600	\$2,220	\$Nil

### Class Levies (per child)

K & Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Yr 7 & 8	Yr 9 & 10	Yr 11 & 12
\$Nil	\$225	\$335	\$380	\$410	\$480	\$800	\$1,100	\$1,450

Please note that the school's Tuition Fees and Year Levies constitute an all-inclusive fee for compulsory activities. (The only obvious exceptions to this are the separate charge for a Graphics Calculator in Year 7 and Chef's kit and uniform for Years 11 and 12 Hospitality). The school will invoice separately for optional programs that your son or daughter takes up with your approval. (Examples of such programs are musical equipment hire,

participation in co-curricular music programs, Writers' Camps, or additional Education Support Services such as "Touch Type").

### **Technology Levy**

In order to keep IT practices current and to maintain our IT infrastructure, a levy of \$3.00 per week per student (maximum 3 students) is charged.

### **Senior School Subject & Elective Levies**

From 2008 the subject or elective levy is included in the Service Levy for each grade.

Please note, the following items are **NOT included**:

- Calculators are purchased in Year 7 @ \$130 per unit or at time of entry to school if starting above Year 7
- Cost for tool kit and materials (\* TAS - Hospitality)
- Materials for major work and some specialised project materials in Years 10, 11 and 12. The levy covers the arts materials used in class from the materials store.
- Graphics - Drawing equipment can be ordered from the school and some specialised equipment may need to be supplied by the student.
- Musical instrument hire charges.

### **Textbook Administration Charge**

Wherever possible, the school provides textbooks rather than asking parents to purchase them. It is pertinent that the texts are returned in a timely manner so as to allow following students to use them and to avoid wasting staff time (a real cost) in chasing students to return them. So to ensure they are all returned in a timely manner, our staff will continue to provide reminders and a list of outstanding books for students. However, **if the books are not returned by the nominated date a non-reversible charge of \$50.00 will be applied to your account.**

### **Extra Costs**

There are times when students have the opportunity to be involved in activities beyond the School because of outstanding individual abilities. These activities may be in either the academic, cultural or sporting areas. Because the School cannot predict who these students might be, it is impossible to include any costs associated with these activities in the list of levies. It is the policy of the School that, if parents elect to have their children participate in these activities, they will take responsibility for a significant portion of the cost over and above any subsidy the school is able to provide at the time the activities take place.

**Vocational Education, TAFE and Distance Education course fees** for senior students who choose this option will be charged to the account of the student's family, unless an exemption from such fees has been granted for extenuating circumstances.

### **How to Pay Your Fees**

The school accepts:

- Direct Debit
- Direct Deposit
- Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard)

### **Late Fees**

Board policy requires fees to be paid by the due date. Where no alternative payment arrangement has been made with the Business Manager, **a late fee of \$25 per month for the first three months and then \$100 per month thereafter will be charged on accounts.**

Alternative payment arrangements need to be applied for and approved in writing. If you do not have written approval from the School, normal arrangements will apply. It is Board policy that, if alternative payment arrangements have to be made, payment must be made via direct debit. If fees remain outstanding, the enrolment positions of your child/children may be declared vacant and offered to another family.

### **Parents in Partnership (PIP)**

Association policy requires parents to choose between contributing hours OR being invoiced at the nominated rate per hour, whichever is the more convenient. The nominated rate for 2009 is \$25 per hour.

#### **PIP Hours Required**

- 18 hours per family between 1 November 2008 and 31 October 2009.
- 9 hours per single parent family between 1 November 2008 and 31 October 2009.
- 15 hours for a family new to the school in 2009 to be completed by 31 October 2009.
- 7.5 hours for a single parent family new to the school in 2009 to be completed by 31 October 2009.

### ***Building/Library Funds***

The Association has tax deductible Building and Library funds. Your voluntary donations enable the School to ensure that tuition fees are kept to a minimum and families receive the benefit of a tax rebate. It is anticipated that during 2008 the School will also make available an Endowment fund to receive tax deductible gifts.