

2019 SCHOOL CHARGES

FAMILY FEES PAYABLE:

Tuition Fees per family	\$1,973.00
Capital Levy per family	\$ 690.00
Maintenance Levy per family	\$ 154.00

TOTAL FAMILY FEE: \$2,817.00

Student Levy (Per Student)

Includes:

Excursion, and curriculum expenses

\$ 783.00

ADDITIONAL FEES

Years Prep – 4 Swimming Fee	\$ 110.00
Years 5 and 6 – Camp Fee	\$ 330.00

Term 1

Family Fee Instalment	Due Friday 22 February 2019	\$939.00
Student Levy		\$261.00
Prep – 4 Swimming Fee		\$110.00

Term 2

Family Fee Instalment	Due Friday 26 April 2019	\$939.00
Student Levy		\$261.00
Years 5 and 6 Camp Fee		\$330.00

Term 3

Family Fee Instalment	Due Friday 23 August 2019	\$939.00
Student Levy		\$261.00

Please ensure Accounts are finalised by FRIDAY 23 August 2019, Thank you.

If you are having financial difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Leonie Young on 9584 9488 or Father Peter Matheson on 9583 6161

FEE STRUCTURE SCHOOL CHARGES 2019

Following careful appraisal of the financial needs of the school, the School Advisory Council (OSAC), in conjunction with the school Accountant, Parish Priest and Principal, set the following fee structure for 2019.

SCHOOL FEES - 2019

Determined on a **Family basis –Totalling \$2,817.00** (Includes Tuition Fee, Capital Levy and Maintenance Levy).

The **Annual Tuition Fee** per family will be **\$1,973.00** and is to be **paid in full by 23 August 2019**. The full amount can be paid at beginning of the year if desired. Accounts for outstanding balances will be sent at the beginning of Terms 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The **Annual Capital Levy** per family will be **\$690.00** and is to be **paid in full by 23 August 2019**.

The **Annual Maintenance Levy** per family will be **\$154.00** and is to be **paid in full by 23 August 2019**.

STUDENT LEVY:

The Student Levy for 2019 will be **\$783.00 per student**

ADDITIONAL FEES:

Years Prep-4:	Swimming Fee	\$110.00 per Student
Years 5-6:	Camp Fee	\$330.00 per Student

The costing of fees and levies takes into account:

- The use of materials from previous years.
- The supply of some items by parents.
- The supply of materials to individual students as well as to learning programs across the curriculum.

Financial Assistance for Parents - CAMPS SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors; excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the **Victorian Government** to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a **valid means-tested concession card** or are a **temporary foster parent**, you may be eligible for **CSEF**. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125 for primary school students.

Application forms are available at the school office.

If you are experiencing any financial difficulties, please do not hesitate to discuss this matter with the Principal, Leonie Young (9584 9488) or Parish Priest, Fr Peter Matheson (9583 6161). No person would be excluded because of fee paying difficulty.

CAPITAL LEVY

Throughout its history, the parishioners of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish have worked for and financially supported our Parish and School. Their efforts and generosity have enabled us to have the buildings and resources we have today.

Whilst Government grants have greatly assisted in carrying out these building programs, if it was not for our parishioner's generosity through the Thanks Giving Program, these building programs would not have been possible.

The **Capital Levy** was introduced to the school to ensure equitable sharing of the financial responsibility of the school. The fee for 2019 is \$690.00 per year and was based on the average contribution for all parishioners. All parents with children at OLA are expected to pay this amount.

Without it, and without the contributions of the Parishioners into the Thanks Giving Program, it would be impossible to extend the technology program and continue to provide excellent buildings and facilities at OLA.

MAINTENANCE LEVY

A \$154.00 Maintenance Levy was introduced to ensure that the school's facilities are effectively maintained. In recent times, some work that has traditionally been done at Working Bees has needed to be completed by independent tradesmen; this has been to ensure safety and insurance guidelines are followed. We will still hold Working Bees to encourage social connectedness between families and assist with the upkeep of the school grounds.

STUDENT LEVY CHARGES

Again, this year the **Requisite, Activities, Library and Digital Technologies Levy** have been amalgamated into one levy (Student Levy). This has been approved by the OLA School Advisory Council (OSAC) and will simplify the finance system. Therefore, a total of the above four levies (**\$783.00 per student**) will be included on the fee statement.

Activities/Excursions/Incursions provide support for areas of study/learning within the total school curriculum. They introduce students to the connection between ideas and practices. They enable students to be involved both within and beyond the school environment in experiences that challenge, extend and motivate in order that they may reach their full potential whether intellectually, physically or aesthetically.

It must be noted that other activities which are an essential part of the school program, such as Swimming Program, 5/6 Inter-School Sports and Camps are not part of this payment.

The vision of our School Library Resource Centre is to ensure that students are life-long users of ideas and information for education and pleasure. This levy will enable us to provide excellent technology resources, quality literature and audio visual material to further enhance our well resourced Library.

Digital Technologies are part of many facets of contemporary life and learning. To ensure our educational practice reflects this fact, the students will be provided with opportunities to work with a range of digital tools: with chrome books, iPads, desktop computers and Lego robotics.

The subscriptions for Reading Eggs and Matific will continue to support classroom programs Prep – 6.

SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS

A statement of account for the full year's school fees will be sent at the beginning of the school year.

Subsequent statement of accounts will be sent at the beginning of Terms 2 and 3. We ask that all accounts are finalised by **Friday 23 August 2019**.

Payments may be made in any of the following ways: -

- cash
- cheque
- credit cards (Visa or Mastercard only)
(Payments may be placed in an envelope, clearly marked on the outside, and sent to the School Office for processing.)
- Cards Online Payment Service (COPS) of 7 Monthly payments via **credit card deductions** (Visa or Mastercard only)
- Eftpos cards
- Internet banking –

If you are using Internet banking, Our Lady of the Assumption School's account details are as follows:

National Australia Bank
BSB No: 083 347
Account No: 65589 3399

Please make ensure your family full name or School fee account number is quoted as your payment reference.

After discussion with the OLA School Advisory Council (OSAC) Members and Fr. Peter Matheson, it was decided **that no concessions will be given in relation to families being absent for part of the year due to illness, overseas travel, holidays, etc.** Therefore, full fees are still expected to be paid irrespective of whether a family is away for a term or part term, etc.