



Sacred Heart
PARISH SCHOOL

31st October 2022

Sacred Heart School - Fees for 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please find attached the school fees for 2023. Each year the school undertakes a thorough review of expenditure to ensure accountable stewardship of resources. In 2023 there has been no increase in the Tuition Fee for families. In line with Brisbane Catholic Education's recommendations, there has been a small increase in the sibling tuition fee percentages and Capital Levy.

The setting of school fees is the responsibility of the school Principal guided by the recommendations and principles set by Brisbane Catholic Education. The *Sacred Heart Pastoral School Board* collaborates on and supports any alterations to school fees. The *Sacred Heart Pastoral School Board* and the *Sacred Heart Parish Finance Council* have endorsed the 2023 School Fees.

The fees and levies collected at Sacred Heart School are used for the following purposes, which are aligned to the school's vision and mission:

- Provide teaching, administrative, classroom support and facilities.
- Provide essential resources, materials, facilities and equipment.
- Assist with providing activities such as excursions.
- Support the Sacred Heart School building program.
- Maintain buildings, grounds and other facilities.

We continue our commitment to provide support for those families experiencing short or long-term genuine inability to pay fees, ensuring that enrolment is not compromised. Please contact the Finance Officer for further information concerning the concession application process or [download a form](#) from the Parent Portal.

The [BCE School Fees Policy](#) is available on the Parent Portal or by contacting the School Office.

iPad Devices at Sacred Heart School

I am pleased to inform you that in 2023 Sacred Heart will continue to provide each student from Year 1 to 6 with an iPad. The iPad ratio in Prep will be 1 iPad per 2 students. The IT levy covers the associated costs such as the purchase of the device, cover, keyboard, maintenance, IT support, software, applications and insurance.

Our teachers at Sacred Heart carefully monitor the use of iPads, including how long the students access the device throughout the day. The iPad is a learning tool to assist learning and will be used when appropriate. Handwriting, bookwork and other forms of learning presentation will continue to form a holistic approach to student learning. It is not our expectation that students will be accessing iPads all day, every day.

Teachers will be sharing how the iPads will be explicitly used in your child's classroom at the Parent-Teacher Information nights in early 2023. Further information can be found in the [Sacred Heart School iPad Guidelines](#) which is available on the Parent Portal or by contacting the School Office. A list of FAQs is provided in the Guidelines.

Sacred Heart Annual School Fees 2023



Sacred Heart School 2023 Annual School Fees and Levies

Year Level	Tuition Fee	Resource Levies		Family P&F Levy	Capital Levy	Total
		Student Levy	IT Levy*			
Prep	\$1,190	\$1,000	\$150	\$40 per family	\$575 per family	\$2,955
Year 1	\$1,190	\$1,000	\$350			\$3,155
Year 2	\$1,190	\$1,000	\$350			\$3,155
Year 3	\$1,190	\$1,000	\$350			\$3,155
Year 4	\$1,190	\$1,000	\$350			\$3,155
Year 5	\$1,190	\$1,245	\$350			\$3,400
Year 6	\$1,190	\$1,320	\$350			\$3,475

Sibling Charges
2nd child - 50% of the Tuition Fee
3rd child - 30% of the Tuition Fee
4th child - 15% of the Tuition Fee

Family Based Levies
Applied to Eldest in Family only

*% Rounded

* Years 1 to 6 IT Levy included the costs associated with providing each student an iPad.

* Year 5 & 6 Student Levy includes the costs associated with their camp.

* Year 6 Student Levy includes the cost of the Senior shirt.

Tuition Fee

The Tuition Fee ensures that the operational costs of the school are met. Siblings will pay a reduced percentage of the tuition as outlined above. This fee reduction applies to families with more than one child enrolled at Sacred Heart.

Student Levy

The Student Levy covers all stationery and textbooks for your child. There is no additional book list fee. The student levy allows our staff to plan for a range of activities, including class and year level excursions, inter-school sport and providing buses for a variety of events the students attend. The student levy is used to purchase resources that are used directly by the students in the classrooms, e.g. Mathematics, English, Science and Visual Arts resources and materials. The Student Levy for Years 5 & 6 includes school camp. The Student Levy in Year 6 includes a Senior shirt.

Information Technology (IT) Levy

The Information Technology (IT) Levy will ensure our students are provided with the latest technology equipment, resources and support. It will also ensure our teachers are well supported by providing professional learning opportunities. The higher IT Levy in Years 1 to 6 covers the costs associated with each student being provided an iPad.

P&F Levy

After consultation with the Sacred Heart Pastoral School Board and Sacred Heart Parish Finance Council in 2022, the P&F introduced a \$40 P&F Family Levy to the School Fee. This is in line with other Catholic schools in Ipswich and will continue in 2023. The P&F will use the funds collected through the levy to directly support the students of Sacred Heart. The levy will also cover the cost of the annual registration costs associated with the peak body in Queensland of school P&F associations – [Catholic School Parents Queensland](http://CatholicSchoolParentsQueensland.com). The P&F Levy is family-based and is only applied to the eldest enrolled child.

Capital Levy

The Capital Levy will enable Sacred Heart School to continue growing and developing as a modern, contemporary school. This levy supports the maintenance of school facilities and repayments associated with new buildings and structures. The Capital Levy is family-based and is only applied to the eldest enrolled child.

Sacred Heart School Fees 2023 – Total Cost Per Child

Total Cost Per Child

The fees below are not in addition to above; simply a way to assist calculate your total annual school fees.

	Year 6	Year 5	Year 4	Year 3	Year 2	Year 1	Prep
1st Child	\$3,475	\$3,400	\$3,155	\$3,155	\$3,155	\$3,155	\$2,955
2nd Child	\$2,265	\$2,190	\$1,945	\$1,945	\$1,945	\$1,945	\$1,745
3rd Child	\$2,025	\$1,950	\$1,705	\$1,705	\$1,705	\$1,705	\$1,505
4th Child	\$1,850	\$1,775	\$1,530	\$1,530	\$1,530	\$1,530	\$1,330

How to use the total cost per child table above.

Family Example 1	
Children in Years 5, 3 & 1	
1st child in Year 5	\$3,400
2nd child in Year 3	\$1,945
3rd child in Year 1	\$1,705
Total School Fees	\$7,050

Family Example 2	
Children in Years 3 & 1	
1st child in Year 3	\$3,155
2nd child in Year 1	\$1,945
Total School Fees	\$5,100

Family Example 3	
Children in Year 2 & Prep	
1st child in Year 2	\$3,155
2nd child in Prep	\$1,745
Total School Fees	\$4,900

Sacred Heart School Fees 2023 – Calculator

Brisbane Catholic Education has developed a calculator to help calculate your school fees. The excel document will be attached in the 2023 Fee Information email.

Payment Options

Payment of fees will be due 14 days from the invoice date if paid by cash, cheque, BPAY or EFTPOS. Payments can also be made online via [Bpoint](#).

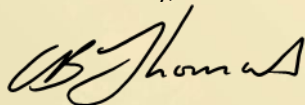
If payments are being made by [direct debit](#) or [Centrepay](#), fees may be paid on a weekly, fortnightly, monthly or quarterly basis. It is important that regular payments are made and missed payments corrected to prevent your account from falling into arrears. **All accounts must be finalised by the end of Term 4.**

Families currently paying via direct debit will be contacted before the commencement of Term 1, via email, with a revised payment plan for 2023.

A discount on the **tuition fee** of 5% will apply if the total of 2023 fees and levies are paid in full and the account balance is zero by Friday 24th February 2023.

If you have any inquiries, you can contact Megan Preston on 3282 1976 or email pbovfinance@bne.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Thomas
Principal