8th December 2015

Dear Parents,

After considering the projected expenditure and government grants for next year, the fee structure for the 2016 school year was recently determined by the Parish Education Board. The Board fully considers the financial climate and has taken this into deliberation when ensuring the school meets its increased ongoing costs.

As in all households and businesses, general costs are rising across utilities and the purchase of teaching and learning resources. The Education CPI was 5.5%. After considering proposed building and maintenance works, and general recurrent increases, it was decided to increase the family fee by approximately 5%, while maintaining the student levy at the current rate. This is an increase of $100 per family for the year, equating to $2 per week.

The fee structure is family based with a per student levy charged to recognise direct expenditure for each student.

2016 fees and levies in total, per year:
Family Fee: $2300
Levy per student: $700

This represents a yearly payment of:
One child family $3000
Two child family $3700
Three child family $4400

The levy for the Sacramental programs will remain the same as follows:
Grade 3 – Reconciliation and First Eucharist $ 60
Grade 6 – Confirmation $ 40

Accounts will be sent out at the beginning of the 2016 school year, and parents will be able to select the method of payment that suits them best. Options do include annual, term, monthly or fortnightly payments by cash, cheques, EFTPOS, direct debit or credit card.

Yours truly,

(Father Laurie Pearson)
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Parish Priest