

FEES AND CHARGES 2027 (DOMESTIC STUDENTS)

NEW STUDENT APPLICATION FEE

A non-refundable and non-transferable Application fee of \$130 (incl GST) per child is payable when lodging an enrolment application form.

ENROLMENT ACCEPTANCE FEE

An Enrolment Acceptance Fee of \$2,200 per child is payable within 14 days of an offer of a place, to confirm enrolment. Enrolment Acceptance Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

ANNUAL SCHOOL FEES

School fees are set annually by the School Council.

Full school year accounts for the following year are issued in December.

Account statements are available monthly via Nexus.

Year Level	Tuition Fees	Consolidated Charges	Annual School Fees
ELC (Pre-Prep)			
- 2 days			\$8,708
- 3 days			\$13,059
- 4 days			\$17,416
- 5 days			\$21,767
Prep and Year 1	\$19,372	\$3,799	\$23,171
Year 2	\$21,971	\$3,960	\$25,931
Years 3 and 4	\$21,971	\$4,592	\$26,563
Years 5 and 6	\$23,964	\$5,862	\$29,826
Years 7 and 8	\$28,053	\$6,307	\$34,360
Year 9	\$28,053	\$8,461	\$36,514
Year 10	\$29,505	\$7,191	\$36,696
Year 11 and 12	\$29,505	\$6,580	\$36,085

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES AND CHARGES

All fees and charges are to be paid in advance.

Fees must be paid by Direct Debit through a bank account or credit card. Parents may choose to pay:

- annually - by 31 January 2027
- quarterly - 10 January, 10 April, 10 July, 10 October or
- monthly - in 10 instalments on the 10th of the month commencing in January 2027

Any outstanding balance of fees and charges is to be settled by 10 October 2027.

Please complete the Direct Debit for and return via email to accrec@smbg.vic.edu.au [Direct Debit form](#).

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The School is working with Edstart, one of Australia's leading education payment providers, who help thousands of Australian families manage their school fees and education costs.

Edstart allows you to package education-related expenses including fees, uniforms, textbooks and extra-curricular activities, which can then be paid for over 12 months. Payments can even be extended to up to five years after a child has completed their studies. Find out more on the [School's website](#).

CONSOLIDATED CHARGES

Consolidated charges are levied to cover all costs outside of direct tuition.

BUILDING LEVY

A levy of \$1,050 will be charged annually to each family enrolled for future capital projects. Families with children only in Pre-Prep (ELC) will be exempt.

PAYROLL TAX LEVY

From 1 July 2024, the school was no longer exempt from Payroll Tax. In 2027, a levy of \$1,600 will be charged to each student (a maximum of \$3,200 per family) to cover this tax. Families with children only in Pre-Prep (ELC) will be exempt.

SIBLING DISCOUNTS

A sibling discount on Tuition Fees applies for the second child (10%), third child (25%) and, fourth and subsequent children (50%). Children must be enrolled concurrently. However, the School does reserve the right to not make this reduction when a student has been granted other forms of fee assistance.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

Scholarship or Bursary discounts apply to the Tuition Fee component only.

DISCOUNT FOR FIRST CHILD OF A PAST STUDENT

The School is pleased to provide a 10% discount on the Tuition Fee for the first child of any past student who left the School at the end of Year 12. Further information can be found on the Alumni pages of the School's website.

OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES

The School offers a range of services for parents to consider. These include, but are not limited to:

- [Charter Bus](#) to and from school (optional)
- [Music Tuition](#) (optional)
- [Tennis Coaching](#) (optional)
- [Booklists](#) (required)
- [Uniform](#) (required)
- [Before and After School Care Service](#) (Optional) is provided by an external provider and is available for ELC and Junior School students.

Details of these services can be found on the School's website under [Admissions](#). Fees for optional activities and services are charged in January, or as applicable.

VARYING ELC DAYS

From time-to-time parents wish to vary their child's booked days in ELC. The School aims to be as accommodating as possible when this is requested.

Subject to availability, the School may be able to accommodate an increase in days immediately. Where the number of days is decreasing the School requests a Term's notice.

ELC TO PREP TRANSITION

In Term 1, families of students attending 4-Year-Old ELC will be asked to confirm their Prep place by paying a non-refundable \$2,000 deposit. The deposit will be applied against the student's Prep fees the following year.

GOVERNMENT FEE SUBSIDY

You may be eligible to access State Government support via the [CSEF](#) (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund for primary and secondary students) in any of the following circumstances:

- your child is identified by a parent, carer or legal guardian as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- your child is identified on their birth certificate as being a multiple birth child (triplets or more)
- your child holds, or has a parent or guardian who holds, one of the following:
 - a Commonwealth Health Care Card
 - a Commonwealth Pensioner Concession Card
 - a Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card or White Card
 - eligible Refugee or Asylum Seeker visa

Eligible parents/guardians are to provide supporting documentation to the School on commencement.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Goods and Services Tax (GST) may apply to programs and activities (academic and other) and where applicable, will be included on charges for services rendered.

BUILDING AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Donations to the Foundation's [Building Fund](#) and [Scholarship Fund](#) are tax deductible. These funds assist in the development of the School's buildings and the provision of a world class education to talented students. Parents are invited to support the Funds through regular or one-off donations.

OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

If full payment of the school fee instalment is not made by the instalment due date, a late payment administration charge of \$100 per instalment may be applied to your account. This charge covers the time taken by the administration department in the preparation of correspondence and contacting parents regarding outstanding debts.

Students will not be permitted to register for or attend any voluntary camps or tours when instalments are overdue.

Families may be asked to withdraw their children during the year where fees remain outstanding and may not be permitted to return to the School.

LEGAL COSTS

In the event of a default resulting in a parent account being handed over for collection, the parent/guardian/s shall pay to the School on demand all costs including, without limitation, all legal costs (on a solicitor/own client basis), all mercantile agents fees incurred by the School in recovering or attempting to recover all amounts outstanding and payable to the School including any dishonour or bank fees incurred by the School relating to the payments made by the parent/guardian/s from time to time.

TERMINATION OF ENROLMENT

Written notice of one full term must be provided to the Principal when a student is withdrawing from the School before the end of the academic year. Where a student is not returning in the following year, written notice must be provided no later than the commencement of Term 4. If the required notice is not provided within these timeframes, one full term's school fees will be charged.

Students who receive a Scholarship must remain at St Margaret's Berwick Grammar until the end of Year 12 in accordance with the terms of the Scholarship Agreement. If a student leaves the School prior to the completion of Year 12, the persons responsible for the payment of the student's fees will be obliged to pay to the School any tuition fees discounted during the period of the scholarship.

Note: It is necessary to specify these conditions to ensure the School operates as efficiently as possible. In all cases, we request that families experiencing difficulties discuss their situation with the School's Finance Team as soon as possible. Early notice enables all parties to plan for the future more clearly.