



## 2019 School Tuition Fees and Charges Schedule

### Application Fee

A non-refundable fee of \$50 (including GST) per child is payable with the Application for Admission. This fee will be retained by the School and applied to the administration costs associated with enrolments.

### Acceptance and Establishment Fee

A non-refundable Acceptance and Establishment Fee, representing a family's commitment to take up an offered position, will be charged except where the family already has a child attending the School and a full Acceptance and Establishment fee has already been paid. This fee is not deducted from the first term's tuition fees. The 2019 Acceptance and Establishment Fee is \$2,267. For students commencing in Years 9 to 12 the fee is calculated at a pro rata rate.

### Tuition Fees

St Mark's, a School of the Anglican Schools Commission, is a non-profit organisation which exists to provide an affordable, independent education. The School's fee structure aligns with the Anglican Schools Commission's principles of being a low fee paying school, with fees being the minimum possible to provide the difference between income provided by way of Commonwealth and State grants and the essential expenditure of teaching, administration and facility update and maintenance.

**Fees are updated annually. Please refer to the [School website](#) for more information.**

2019 TUITION FEES <sup>1</sup>	Per Term	Per Term	Annual	Annual
	Before Sibling Discount <sup>2</sup>	After Sibling Discount <sup>2</sup>	Before Sibling Discount <sup>2</sup>	After Sibling Discount <sup>2</sup>
<b>Early Learning Centre</b> Kindergarten to Year 1	\$1,625	\$1,300	\$6,500	\$5,200
<b>Junior School</b> Year 2 to Year 5	\$1,625	\$1,300	\$6,500	\$5,200
<b>Middle School</b> Year 6	\$1,811	\$1,449	\$7,244	\$5,796
<b>Middle School</b> Year 7 to Year 8	\$2,267	\$1,814	\$9,068	\$7,255
<b>Senior School</b> Year 9	\$2,328	\$1,863	\$9,312	\$7,450
<b>Senior School</b> Year 10 to Year 11	\$2,453	\$1,963	\$9,812	\$7,850
<b>Year 12<sup>3</sup></b> Three Terms	\$3,270	\$2,616	\$9,810	\$7,848

#### Notes for table above

<sup>1</sup> The above table details Tuition fees only. Please refer to Page 2 regarding costs that are charged in addition to tuition fees.

<sup>2</sup> Sibling discounts of 20% of Tuition fees only, apply to each student member of the family concurrently attending the School, other than the eldest.

<sup>3</sup> Tuition Fees for Year 12. As school fees are set as an annual fee, with respect to anticipated operating income and costs, Year 12 fees are charged at the same annual fee level but over three instalments in Term 1 to Term 3.

## Future Structural Fee Changes

St Mark's has previously announced plans to reconstitute Middle School to encompass Years 6 to 8 and Senior School to encompass Years 9 to 12. These changes will result in structural fee changes for Year 6 and Year 9, to align relevant fees with other year groups in Middle School and Senior School respectively.

### **Year 6 2020 - 2022**

Year 6 students have gained broader access to curriculum resources and teaching with their move to Middle School in 2018 (first communicated in 2015). This will ultimately result in Year 6 fees being aligned with Middle School fees. The increase will be phased in over another three years and will add \$212 per term (in 2018 dollars) to the 2019 Year 6 fees for 2020. A further \$212 per term (in 2018 dollars) will be added to the fees in 2021 and an additional \$31 per term (in 2018 dollars) added in 2022. Year 6 fees will be aligned with fees for Year 7 and Year 8 in 2022.

### **Year 9 2019 - 2021**

Year 9 students have gained the advantage of increased specialisation and improved facilities with the move to Senior School in 2018. Passing on the increased costs and associated fee has been deferred until 2019 and will transition through to 2021. This smaller increase will add \$62 per term (in 2018 dollars) to the 2019 Year 9 fees for 2020, with a further similar increase applied in 2021. The change will be fully implemented in 2021, when the Year 9 fees will align with Year 10 to Year 12.

## Other Fees and Charges

St Mark's adopts a user pays principle in applying identifiable costs to individual families. Examples of these costs are:

**Student Computer Facility Fee** to cover the cost of providing one-to-one personal computing facilities for Year 2 to Year 12 students, either through the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program or through School provision. 2019 fees range from \$50 per term for Year 2 BYOD, \$130 to \$150 per term where a device is provided in Year 3 to Year 5 and \$25 per term for Secondary School BYOD. Details of the provision for your child will be provided at enrolment.

**Excursions and Camps** which apply to a group but not all students. These will be charged on a cost recovery basis and parents will be advised of cost estimates in advance of such activities.

**Course or Group Levies** to cover the cost of consumables where it is more cost efficient for the School (than families) to source those items. Course levies are advised prior to option selection.

**Books and other resources** are generally purchased directly through the annual booklist program, currently through Campion Education. The School receives a rebate on family purchases from the booklist. Exceptions include the School Diary and book hire or bulk purchase of class sets of texts which are billed through fee accounts.

**Parents and Friends' Association Levy** to support the School community and fundraising activities of the Parents and Friends' Association, set at \$60 per annum for 2019.

**Diocesan Services Levy**, payable to the Anglican Church Diocese of Perth to reimburse the costs of services including support to the School's Chaplaincy Program, set at \$11.40 per student for 2019.

**Music Tuition Fees** to cover the music tutor costs, advised prior to commencing music tuition. 2019 music fees are:

	<i>Individual Lessons</i>	<i>Shared Lessons (2-3 students)</i>
<b>Pre-Primary to Year 2</b>	\$27.00 per 20 minute lesson	Not applicable
<b>Year 3 to Year 5</b>	\$40.50 per 30 minute lesson	\$30.50 each per 40 minute lesson
<b>Year 6 to Year 12</b>	\$54.00 per 40 minute lesson	\$30.50 each per 40 minute lesson
<b>Instrument Hire</b>	\$56.10 per term	\$56.10 per term
<b>Maintenance fee<sup>4</sup></b>	\$14.10 per term	\$14.10 per term

<sup>4</sup> Applicable to students who learn the Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar and Percussion instruments.

To ensure the School can plan, allocate appropriate music tutors and organise meaningful ensembles and performances, the School requires an annual commitment to the Music program. In the event of withdrawal without adequate notice, as notified when joining the Music program, fees are payable.

Further information and estimates of other fees and charges for a year group are available from the Business Manager on request at [businessmanager@stmarks.wa.edu.au](mailto:businessmanager@stmarks.wa.edu.au).

## Issuing and Payment of Accounts

Accounts are emailed to the account holder's nominated email address at the commencement of each school term. The pro-rata annual Tuition Fee is billed each term, together with other fees and charges. No discounts are offered for early payment. Term fees are payable by the third Tuesday of each term. Payments can be made by Direct Debit, BPay, EFTPOS, credit cards (a 1% surcharge applies to credit card payments), Cheque or Cash. A secure online payment facility is also available in iGloo.

## Overdue Accounts

Parents experiencing difficulties in meeting the payment schedule must discuss alternative arrangements with the Business Manager in confidence. The School offers a Tuition Fee Assistance Plan for families experiencing financial difficulties due to unforeseen personal and economic circumstances. More information on the Tuition Fee Assistance Plan is available on the [School website](#) (see 'Tuition Fees' under the Enrolment tab).

Where the full amount is not paid by the due date, and no arrangements have been made, an additional \$22 penalty will automatically be charged. Liability for the payment of fees is a joint and several responsibility of Acceptance signatories who shall further be responsible for any costs associated with the collection of any unpaid fees, including legal costs on an indemnity basis.

The School reserves the right to refuse a student to commence a new term unless the previous term's fees have been paid in full, or satisfactory arrangements have been made with the Business Manager.

## Optional Tours

Family fee accounts must be up to date in order for students to be eligible to attend optional tours involving significant expense. These optional tours include overseas and interstate destinations, such as the ski trip, Nepal tour, Tanzania tour, sporting trips (e.g. netball and volleyball), Europe tour, Reunion Island tour, USA Space camp, etc. Students will not be permitted to attend optional tours if family fees and tour fees are outstanding. Any cancellation costs associated with the late withdrawal of a student due to non-payment of fees will be charged to the respective family account.

The School's policy also provides that students benefiting from fee remission cannot attend optional tours.

## GST (Goods and Services Tax)

GST legislation provides that tuition fees incurred in education courses are GST free; however, there are some activities and expenses that attract GST. These will be included in your fee account as appropriate.

## Withdrawal of Students

**One full term's notice of withdrawal** from the School is required in writing to the Principal. In the event of failure to give such notice, a term's fee is payable in lieu. Notification of withdrawal can be emailed to [principal@stmarks.wa.edu.au](mailto:principal@stmarks.wa.edu.au)

## Uniforms

Uniforms should be purchased at the School Uniform Shop to preserve uniformity in the articles worn by all students. Uniform Shop opening hours and prices are published on the School website.

## Insurance

It is strongly recommended that parents check their health and general insurance policies to ensure adequate and current medical, personal property and liability insurance cover is in place. The School will not accept responsibility for medical expenses arising from accident or illness, loss of or damage to personal effects and property, or liability incurred by students for bodily injury or property damage.

The Parents and Friends' Association provides limited Student Accident Insurance. Details of benefits and costs are available from the Parents and Friends' section of the School website.

## School Building Fund

The School has established a School Building Fund to which parents are encouraged to donate. These funds will be used to maintain and extend the School Facilities in the future. The Fund is approved by the Australian Taxation Office, and therefore all donations over \$2 are eligible tax deductions. Enquiries should be made to the Business Manager.

## Ends