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Dear Parents and Carers,

Subject: 2026 Annual Tuition Fee

I am writing to provide you with details of changes in tuition fees for the 2026 academic year.

A decision to adjust tuition fees is never made lightly, nor without careful and thorough consideration of our students' needs and our school's capacity to provide an education experience that supports every student to flourish. We are also cognisant of the financial pressures that many families have experienced this year.

The cost of operating our school is increasing in multiple areas including wages, insurance premiums, regulatory and compliance costs, risk management, teacher resources and professional learning.

Our tuition fees at St Gregory the Great Primary School are also influenced by the Commonwealth Department of Education's calculation of our community's ability to financially contribute to the operating costs of our school, known as the Capacity to Contribute, or CTC, which is reviewed annually.

To ensure that we can continue to deliver a personalised, high-quality education that is responsive to the diverse interests and academic, social and emotional needs of our students, it has been necessary to review and adjust our fees to meet the rising costs.

Family Fee

The *Family Fee* is a set annual charge applied per family (rather than per student) to help cover the general operational costs of the school. This fee contributes to expenses such as staff salaries, utilities, maintenance, and day-to-day running costs. Families with multiple children enrolled at the school pay this fee only once per year.

Composite Levy

The *Composite Levy* is an annual fee charged per student to cover curriculum-related costs and activities. This includes classroom resources, curriculum subscriptions and specialist programs. It ensures that all students have equitable access to learning materials and experiences throughout the school year.

Maintenance Levy

The *Maintenance Levy* is an annual fee applied per family that supports the ongoing

upkeep and improvement of the school's buildings, grounds, and facilities. Funds from this levy contribute to repairs, cleaning, landscaping, and minor works projects that ensure a safe, functional, and attractive learning environment for students and staff.

ICT Levy

The *ICT Levy* is an annual charge that supports the school's technology program. It contributes to the purchase, maintenance, and upgrading of digital devices, software, and infrastructure such as Wi-Fi, printers, and interactive classroom technology. This ensures that students have access to up-to-date tools to support their learning in a digital environment.

Excursion Levy

The *Excursion Levy* is an annual charge that contributes to the cost of excursions and in-school incursions throughout the year. This allows students to participate in educational and cultural experiences linked to the curriculum.

Swimming Levy

The *Swimming Levy* covers the cost of the school's swimming program, including pool entry, qualified instructors, and transport to and from the venue. This levy ensures all students can participate in a structured and safe swimming and water safety program as part of the Physical Education curriculum.

As a result St Gregory the Great Primary School's annual tuition fees for 2026 will be as follows:

Fee	2025	2026
Family Fee	\$2,480	\$2,604
Composite Levy	\$750	\$770
Maintenance Levy*	\$200	\$210
Excursion Levy		\$75
Swimming Levy		\$75
ICT Levy F-1		\$50
ICT Levy 2-6		\$110
Year 3 Camp	\$250	\$275
Year 4 Camp	\$435	\$550
Year 5 Camp	\$990	\$1,200
Year 6 Camp	\$500	\$550
Year 6 Graduation Fee	\$98	\$98

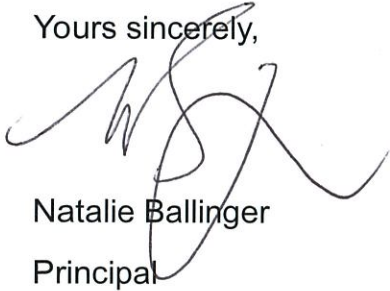
*In recognition and appreciation of the many areas within the school that require parent help, please note that the maintenance levy is now non-refundable.

Fee statements will be issued via email in February 2026. Fees will be due in full by the end of July 2026, however we offer our families the opportunity to set up a payment plan to spread out these payments. Details will be provided with the fee statement. If you are a health care card holder or experiencing genuine family hardship, you will be eligible to apply for the MACS Concession. Please look out for details on how to apply with the February Fee statement.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the fee increase, or wish to discuss your individual circumstances, please do not hesitate to contact me. We remain committed to keeping tuition fees as low and affordable as possible, and to working closely with our community to make this transition as smooth as possible.

Thank you for your understanding. I am grateful for your ongoing support and trust in our school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'N. Ballinger', written over the printed name and title.

Natalie Ballinger

Principal