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Resource Fee for 2017

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Dear Parents

Federal and State Governments make a substantial contribution to the cost of a Catholic School, recognising the value of the Education we provide. However, in no way does this cover our costs and running expenses.

At St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, parents are required to pay three levels of annual fees:

- **Tuition Fees**
- **Primary School SEDSO Building and Maintenance Levy**
- **School Resource Fee**

TUITION FEE Monies collected for tuition fees are paid to the Catholic Education Office. They in turn give the school an Operating Allowance paid in three instalments in Terms 1, 2 and 3.

PARISH SEDSO SEDSO monies are paid to a central SEDSO fund that is administered by the Catholic Education Office. We receive 30% of the money collected and the rest stays in the central fund. Currently St Brigid's has a loan of \$203,000.00 and repayments are \$11,637.00 every three months.

RESOURCE FEE The School sets a Resource Fee which covers provision of day-to-day school expenses and resources provided for student use.

The cost of the 2017 Resource Fee will be reduced to **\$175.00 per child** (see over for explanation). This fee is to be paid in full by the end of Week 4 Term 1 – **Friday 24 February 2017**. Please refer to the table on the second page for an overview of costs.



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OVERVIEW OF RESOURCE FEE

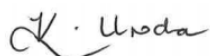
AREA	DESCRIPTION	FEE
CLASSROOM RESOURCES	Paper, cardboard, photocopying, art and craft supplies, folders, book boxes, RE online resource, work books, diaries	\$115.00pp
PE LEVY	The Gymnastics program will be offered by Triskills.	\$30.00pp
IT LEVY	Licenses, maintenance and repair of IT equipment, replacement of chargers, IT consumables	\$15.00pp
SPORT LEVY	Purchasing, maintenance and replacement of sporting equipment for class sport, Physical Education lessons and use at recess and lunch.	\$15.00pp
Resource Fee total per child = \$175.00		

FROM JANUARY 2017

Traditionally the Resource Fee has been set at \$250.00 per student/per year and this included estimated costs for Excursions and set fees for all students for Gala days and incursions. After a review of the Resource Fee structure by the Finance Committee we have decided that we will adopt a “user pays” approach for a more equitable and transparent process. Therefore...

- Students who attend sporting Gala Days and representative sporting events will pay for these as they occur.
- School sports carnival entry, transport and hire costs will be charged as they occur for the annual Swimming and Athletic Carnivals and are payable with the return of the signed permission note.
- The Year 5 and 6 three day camp in Term 3, 2017 will be invoiced separately.
- Payment for all class curriculum-based excursions and incursions will be required with the return of the signed student permission note.

Yours in Faith, Justice and Learning



Katherine Uroda
Principal

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