

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School ELMORE



2026 SCHOOL FEES & LEVIES

The School Fee Structure has been set for 2026.

In 2026 the school fees and the curriculum levy have both increased by 3% in line with the Educational Consumer Price Index (CPI). All fees and levies have been reviewed and endorsed by your School Advisory Council. The levies for sports and ICT have also increased by 3% this year. Camps are an estimate based on previous quotes.

The school will charge our families the \$50 Capital Levy as recommended by Catholic Education Sandhurst. This levy has been covered by the school in past years.

The School Fee is charged per family and is tiered for 1 child and 2+ child families. Student Levies are charged per student and are structured according to year level. They include: a Curriculum & Information Communication Technology (ICT) Levy and a Camp, Sport, Excursion & Other Levy.

Catholic Education Sandhurst Ltd (CESL) provides fee assistance by discounting fees and levies for families who hold a valid Health Care Card. There will be a cap of \$540 per student for eligible HCC Holders in 2026. The discount will be automatically applied to your school fee account once you provide a copy of your HCC to the school office, complete a CSEF form, and set up a direct debit arrangement.

We understand that many families have varying circumstances and in response to the rising cost of living expenses, we are committed to supporting those who need additional assistance.

Please be assured that this support is provided to ensure all students have the opportunity to thrive in our school community. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact the school office.

FAMILY SCHOOL FEES STRUCTURE—Per Family			
	1 student family	2 student family	3+student family
School Fees	\$1,385.00	\$1,574.00	\$1,574.00
Capital Levy	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Total	\$1,435.00	\$1,624.00	\$1,624.00

STUDENT LEVY STRUCTURE—Per Student							
	Foundation	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
Curriculum Levy	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00
ICT Levy	\$107.00	\$107.00	\$107.00	\$107.00	\$107.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
Camp, Sport, Excursion & Other Levy	\$133.00	\$133.00	\$133.00	\$186.00	\$186.00	\$186.00	\$186.00
Grade 3&4 Camp – Estimated cost				\$302.00	\$302.00		
Grade 5&6 Camp - Estimated cost						\$450.00	\$450.00
Total	\$545.00	\$545.00	\$545.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$1,106.00	\$1,106.00

An example of how to calculate your school fees:

Example for 1 student in Foundation

School Family Fee (1 Student)	\$1,385.00
Capital Fee	\$50.00
Student Curriculum	\$305.00
ICT Levy	\$107.00
Camp, Sport, Excursion & Other Levy	\$133.00
Total for 2026	\$1,980.00

\$1980 could be paid off as a single amount in Feb 2026 or broken up as follows:	
Paying fortnightly over 20 fortnights	\$99.00 per fortnight
Paying monthly over 10 months	\$198.00 per month
Paying once per term	\$495.00

Please contact the school if you would like assistance in calculating the payments for your family.

CURRICULUM & ICT LEVY

This levy covers part of the cost to set up supplies and resources for classrooms and specialist classes, e.g. Art, Music, Library, and Auslan for the year. This is why we ask parents to pay this levy as early as possible in the school year. It also assists the school to provide computers and iPads for use across the school. The levy is higher for students in Grade 5 & 6 as students have an individual Chromebook computer.

CAMP, SPORT, EXCURSION & OTHER LEVY

This levy helps to cover part of the costs associated with the provision of camps, sports, sport coaching, physical education programs, incursions, excursions, workshops and extra activities.

CAMPS

The estimated cost per student is as follows:

- **2026 Grade 3 & 4 Camp – Camp Kookaburra at Corop**
Estimated to be \$302 per child.
- **2026 Grade 5&6 Camp – Anglesea**
Estimated to be \$450 per child.

Please note that these amounts may change once quotes become available closer to the date. OLSH school believes all students should have the opportunity to attend camp and families are welcome to discuss individual fee assistance if necessary.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES & LEVIES

The range of educational opportunities and experiences has been offered within the context of our budgeting. It will therefore be important that payment of fees and levies are honoured. We are very aware of the rising costs for families and this is given careful consideration in the process of setting school fees and levies. However, due to Government school funding agreements, there is an expectation that Catholic school communities contribute to the cost of education.

We encourage payment of fees via direct debit. This allows for regular payments to be made equally over the 40 school weeks. Direct debit request forms are available from the office or the school website.

Please note: If your current payment arrangement is direct debit, this will continue in 2026 and the school will contact you to confirm the revised payment amount for each instalment for the 2026 school year.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE: The Conveyance Allowance may be available for families who live **more than 4.8km** from this or any other Catholic School, and/or who live 4.8km from the closest free country school bus stop and drive their child/ren to school. Please contact the school if you think you may be eligible for this allowance.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND

Families who hold a current Pension or Healthcare Card are asked to apply for this funding as it helps the school to

cover the costs of travel and sporting activities that occur during the year, not just the scheduled camps for Grades 3 to 6. If you have applied in past years your student will remain funded while your card is active. Any new students will need to be included in a new application. Please see the school office for a form.

HEALTHCARE CARD HOLDERS

Families who are eligible for a current Pension or Healthcare Card will qualify for further fee assistance and are asked to contact the office.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

All fees and levies for the year will be billed at the start of the school year. Families will receive a school fee statement in February, 2026. The school provides a number of options for the payment of school fees and levies.

- **Payment in Full:** Fees paid in full at the beginning of the school year.
- **Payment per Term:** Fees paid at the beginning of each term with the final payment due at the start of 4th Term 2026.
- **Direct Debit:** Payments made fortnightly, monthly (15th day of the month) or quarterly from your nominated bank account. Please collect a direct debit form from the office.
- **Direct Credit:** Payments may be made directly to the school bank account via online banking.
OLSH School
National Australia Bank
BSB: 083-543
Account No: 457812447
Please use your last name or account number as a reference.
- **Centrepay:** Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service which is free for Centrelink customers. Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment.

You can start or change a deduction at any time through your Centrelink account online: