



## SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES - 2008

For over one hundred and eight years Catholic schools have provided education for young Australians and have supported parents and carers in their role as the first educators of their children. In choosing a Catholic school for their children, parents are very conscious that this will involve making a significant financial contribution towards the cost of providing that education.

The schools of the Archdiocese have been established over many years by the generosity of parents, parishioners and the religious and staff in our Catholic schools.

Our school is one of one hundred and forty eight primary and secondary schools that form the Sydney Archdiocesan system of Catholic schools. There are over 62,000 students enrolled in these schools. The Catholic Education Office has the responsibility of leading and managing the system of schools.

The funding of these schools is a shared responsibility between Commonwealth and State Governments, parents and parishes.

The Commonwealth Government provides about 55% and the State Government about 22% of the income needed to fund the system of schools. The contribution of Governments to the running costs of our schools needs to be recognized, appreciated and also guarded.

Parents contribute over 20% to the funding of the parish primary schools and regional secondary schools of the Archdiocese. This financial contribution is essential to providing the best possible educational opportunities for the students. The continuing support of parents is greatly appreciated.

The fees charged at Good Samaritan Catholic College are made up of:

- i. **The Archdiocesan Tuition Fee.** This fee level is set each year by the Sydney Archdiocesan Catholic Schools Board. The school retains a portion of this fee to assist with operating costs. The balance is returned to the Catholic Education Office to assist with the payment of salaries, workers compensation, public liability, student accident insurances and other operating costs.
- ii. **The Building and Maintenance Levy.** The Parish sets this levy for Primary schools and by each Secondary school. The income from the levy assists in the repayment of loans for school buildings, repairs and maintenance and building insurance.
- iii. **Local fees and charges.** These are set by the school finance committee and are used to pay for school resources, educational activities, subject charges and other operational costs such as electricity, water, council charges and contents insurance.

For families with more than one child, or with children attending other Catholic schools within the Archdiocesan system of schools, sibling and family discounts apply to the Archdiocesan Tuition Fee and to the Building and Maintenance Levy.

- The following charges / fees apply to Year 7 in 2008.

| First Child       | Second Child     | Third Child      | Fourth Child |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| \$376 per term    | \$282 per term   | \$188 per term   | Nil          |
| (\$1128 per year) | (\$846 per year) | (\$564 per year) | Nil          |

**Other charges include:**

| Year 7                                 |                                |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Student Resources Fee                  | \$210 per year                 |
| Student Administration Fee             | \$228 per year (\$76 per term) |
| Technology Access Fee                  | \$20 per year                  |
| Sport and Transport Fee                | \$228 per year (\$76 per term) |
| Bible                                  | \$30                           |
| PDHPE Text                             | \$33                           |
| College Year Book (charged per family) | \$20                           |

- Accounts for School Tuition Fees, Parish School Levy and other local fees and charges are issued early in each of Terms 1, 2 and 3.
- It is expected that accounts will be paid within 28 days of issue of the statement.
- Accounts may be paid by cash, cheque, money order, credit card (Not AMEX / Diners Club) or EFTPOS
- If any family is experiencing genuine financial difficulty in meeting any of the fees please contact the school to seek an appointment with the Principal.

An enrolment fee of \$100 applies at the time of acceptance. This fee is a non refundable fee and ensures that a place is kept at the college for the student.