

Dear Parents

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:** No net increase in Tuition fees in 2021

The new fee schedule for 2021, incorporating a special one-off discount for all parents, has been released and is now available on our website.

While it is expected "normal" school operations will return in 2021, the Board appreciates that the Covid-19 pandemic has already impacted many of our parents and will possibly continue to do so into next year.

With this in mind, 2021 fees have been carefully structured to assist families to manage their financial circumstances with regard to the impact of Covid 19. In addition, following an extensive review by the finance committee (which forms part of the GRG Board of Directors) the underlying increase has been kept to a minimum.

**How will we achieve this?**

The scheduled fees increase for 2021 will be 2.5% as set out in the attached document. Importantly, to assist our families for 2021, and as a one off discount for the 2021 year, the school will give all families a Covid discount **equal to the net increase**, to ensure that the fees are brought back in line with the 2020 fee schedule.

This effectively means that our families will pay the same in 2021 as the 2020 fee schedule. We anticipate families will assist us in achieving this by accessing our payment platform (see below) and ensuring fees are paid within agreed timeframes. In this way the school can continue to provide a quality education for your child.

As in 2020, the fees will be billed for the year in one lump sum at the beginning of the 2021 year and are payable by direct debit via our secure payment platform FACTS. All incidentals will be billed at the beginning of the year as a levy and will form part of the overall payment plan, allowing you to plan your payments from the one annual fee bill. Payments can be weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly, or annually (in advance) to best meet your circumstances.

The school will also be offering a 5% discount on tuition fees (net of the "Covid discount"), to those families who pay via FACTS on a direct debit plan without default. The 5% credit will be calculated in November and applied to your account and is the schools "thank you" for prompt payments in meeting your fee commitment. This allows us to effectively operate our budget, provision of resources and associated planning for the school.

Sibling rebates remain set at 20% for the second child, 40% for the third child and 75% for the fourth and subsequent children within the family. This allows us to support enrolment for families who wish to bring all their children to the school.



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Families are reminded that those wishing to withdraw students for the 2021 year would need to give notice now before Term 4 commences, to ensure they meet the contractual obligations of providing one term's notice. Those who fail to give the required notice **will be required to pay one term's fees in lieu of notice.**

During this difficult past year, we are again very thankful for the partnership we have with our parents, and trust that the measures the school has implemented will assist you with your 2021 fees.

Yours faithfully

Mr John McKenzie  
Treasurer, Director GRG Board

1 October 2020



## 2021 FEE STRUCTURE

### Application Fee

A non-refundable application fee of \$100.00 is applicable to all students applying for a position at Georges River Grammar.

### Enrolment Acceptance Fee

A non-refundable administrative fee for enrolment of \$500.00 inclusive of GST is payable on acceptance of an offer of enrolment.

### Bond

In addition, a bond of \$500.00 is payable on acceptance of an offer of enrolment (one bond per family). The bond is refunded on completion of the youngest child's schooling, when and if sufficient notice of leaving is given (one full term) and all fees and charges are paid in full.

### Year 7 Transition Fee

For all students transitioning from Year 6 to 7 at Georges River Grammar a fee of \$500.00 is payable by 28 May 2021. This is applied as a credit on your account for fees for Year 7. This fee is non-refundable should you decide not to continue with enrolment after the payment is made.

### Tuition Fees

The Georges River Grammar School Board determines that fees are set at the lowest possible level to ensure the proper functioning of the School. They are subject to variation from year to year. Annual tuition fees for 2021 are:

	Annual Fee	Per Term (4 Terms)
Stage 1 - Infants (K - 2)	5,998	1,500
Stage 2 - Primary (3 - 4)	7,445	1,861
Stage 3 - Primary (5 - 6)	8,035	2,009
Year 7	10,035	2,509
Year 8	11,200	2,800
Year 9	11,965	2,991
Year 10	12,445	3,111
Years 11 & 12	13,485	3,371
Building Fund Voluntary Donation per family	580	145
P & F Levy per family	150	37.50

## Sibling Discount

Sibling discounts are applicable and set at 20% for the second child, 40% for the third child and 75% for fourth and subsequent children within the family. The sibling discount applies to Tuition fees only. Tuition fees do not include textbooks, stationery, uniforms, and other levied charges.

## Payment of Fees

The school uses the secure payment platform, FACTS. All families are requested to make regular payments via direct debit through FACTS. Payment can be made weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly, or annually. If paying annually, fees are to be paid in advance and in full by Week 2, Term 1.

## Direct Debit Discount

Those families who make regular payments, without default and by the conclusion of the school year (end of Term 4), will receive a 5% discount on Tuition fees applied as a credit to your fee account in November.

## Private Tuition Fees

Private music tuition is available at an additional cost, paid directly to the tutor.

## Levy Charges

Additional School charges include, but are not limited to, items such as camps, excursions, team sports and occasional extras for certain subject areas. Invoicing will be applied annually for these charges based on a levy which can be paid across the year in instalments. Some activities are “**opt in**” and will not apply to a full year group and will therefore be charged separately if a student chooses to attend these additional activities.

## Building Fund

The Georges River Grammar Building Fund is an integral part of the School's operation. This tax-deductible fund allows the School to pay for the ongoing infrastructure development, maintenance, and repair of buildings. The generosity of many families from our School community has ensured that we have been able to build and maintain excellent facilities for students and staff. To opt out of the non-compulsory payment of the Building Fund, an email must be sent prior to the start of the new school to [fees@grg.nsw.edu.au](mailto:fees@grg.nsw.edu.au).

## P&F Levy

A P&F levy is charged in lieu of a variety of fundraising activities, to allow the P&F to focus on activities that support the School and its community. This is a compulsory fee.