Dear Families,

The School Fees for 2016 have now been set and ratified by the School Advisory Council which is one of our parent body representative groups.

I would also like to remind all of our families that both State and Commonwealth Governments require us to collect fees in order to meet the shortfall in funding from these government bodies.

Overall, a small increase has been approved to ensure we can continue to meet the costs of running our school and resourcing it adequately.

The fees are as follows:-

- **TUITION FEE**: $900.00 per family per year
- **CAPITAL FEE**: $250.00 per family per year
- **STUDENT FEE**: $245.00 per student per year for students in Years Prep to Grade 4
  - $347.00 per student per year for students in Year 5 (including iPad Levy)
  - $332.00 per student per year for students in Year 6 (including iPad Levy)

The majority of the student fee goes to supplying our classrooms (children) with materials for them to work with on a daily basis, (including books, pencils, stationery, etc.). The student fee is also used to resource curriculum areas such as R.E., Numeracy, Literacy, Art & Craft, P.E. & Health, Library and to subsidise excursions. All money collected through the student fee directly provides for the students in the classroom. In fact, we generally spend significantly more on the children in these areas than what we collect in fees. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to make contact with me.

The Capital Fee assists in meeting Loan repayments for building works and Equipment purchases that we have to borrow money for.

We do request that the Student Fee is paid within the first week of the school year if possible as this does assist in meeting the cost of essential supplies for the start of the school year.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Regards,

Murray Macdonald

**The 2016 Fee Payment Plan is attached to this letter.** Please complete the form, indicating your preferred method of payment and return it to the school office by **Friday 4th December 2015.**
2016 FEE PAYMENT PLAN

Family Name: ........................................................................................................................................................................

Student Name/s: ........................................................................................................................................................................

Preferred method of payment of school fees for 2016 (please tick one)
Fee arrangements apply only to the year they are made; therefore it is necessary for a review annually.

ALL FEE ACCOUNTS NEED TO BE FINALISED BY THE 30TH NOVEMBER, 2016

☐ Weekly instalments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS
☐ fortnightly
☐ direct debit
☐ of my Bank Account
☐ monthly (every fourth Thursday)
☐ termly instalments (by the end of the first week of each Term) by cash, cheque or EFTPOS
☐ annual in advance (by 31st March, 2016) by cash, cheque or EFTPOS
☐ of my Credit Card on 15th of each month (or next business day)
☐ monthly (every fourth Thursday)

☐ I will make contact with Murray to discuss my school fees and/or method of payment

If you select either of the Direct Debit options, a package of all the relevant information and forms for completion will be sent home to you at the commencement of the 2016 school year

Please note that new Direct Debit documents need to be completed for each new year.

NAME:  (block letters)  ........................................................................................................................................................................

Relationship to Student/s:  ........................................................................................................................................................................

Address for school fee accounts:  ........................................................................................................................................................................

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Your Monthly Fee Progress Statement will be e-mailed to you rather than sent home with your eldest child. Please write the e-mail address below that you wish it to be sent to.

E-mail:  ...........................................................................................................................................................................................................

Signed (by the person responsible for payment of fees)

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Please complete this form and return to school by Friday 4th December 2015.
If you choose not to reply, the default will be MONTHLY instalments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS.