

# notice to parents fee schedule 2018

24 August 2017

The Board continues to be cognisant of its obligations to balance the required investment in the school through infrastructure and instruction, while at the same time remain mindful of the cost pressure that many parents face in providing their children with educational opportunity.

Major projects either completed or due for completion include:

- Charles E Richardson Physical Education Centre - Sturt Street Campus
- Elizabeth H Kennedy Wing and Link – Mair Street Campus
- Sturt Street oval

In setting the budget for 2018, the Board has determined that the annual fee increases for 2018 range between \$92 and \$380. This is below the CPI from the Australian Bureau of Statistics - Education sector.

Tuition fees and boarding fees for 2018 have now been ratified by the Board and I provide formal notification of the 2018 fee schedule in the attached pages.

Consistent with previous years, I have included a diagram showing an overview of the basic components of our 2018 budget income and recurrent expenditure as well as a comparison of our 2018 fees with the 2017 fees of other independent schools. In reviewing this data, the Board believes our fee structure compares favourably with other independent schools.

Email advice on the process for re-enrolment for the 2018 academic year will be forwarded shortly. Re-enrolment must be completed by Monday 20 November 2017.

Ballarat Clarendon College continues to be an exciting place to be part of and, on behalf of the Board, we would like to extend our gratitude to all parents for your continued support across the school community.



**John Livingston**  
Chair  
Ballarat Clarendon College Board of Directors

# notice to parents overseas students

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## fee schedule 2018

The Enrolment Policy and conditions of attendance constitute a contract between Ballarat Clarendon College and parents which is formalised on and by the fact of the first day of a student's attendance in 2018. Overseas applicants proposing to attend Clarendon will need to be sufficiently fluent to undertake studies in the English language.

The 2018 overseas student fee schedule should be read in conjunction with the Enrolment Policy and other policies.

### TUITION FEE

<b>Year Level</b>	<b>Parent Contribution (\$A per year)</b>	<b>Parent Contribution (\$A per instalment)</b>
<b>Middle School</b>		
Year 5	\$A22,640	\$A11,320
Year 6	\$A23,200	\$A11,600
Year 7	\$A25,800	\$A12,900
Year 8	\$A28,500	\$A14,250
Year 9	\$A29,800	\$A14,900
King Island Fee	\$A 5,000	
<b>Senior School</b>		
Year 10	\$A31,000	\$A15,500
Year 11	\$A31,900	\$A15,950
Year 12	\$A31,900	\$A15,950

All fees stated in this document are in Australian dollars.

Annual tuition fees for overseas students not eligible for government funding will be billed in two instalments. A reduced fee will be calculated for students attending for less than a semester. A student normally will not be permitted to commence unless accounts have been paid by the due date or a formal arrangement made with the Business Manager – Finance prior to the due date.

The tuition fee covers most curriculum expenses including year-level camps and class excursions. Fees and charges levied by Clarendon directly related to the provision of an approved course of education are exempt from GST.

Other costs that may be incurred include individual music tuition, student-caused damage to property or false fire alarms, taxi fares and phone calls. Fees for incidentals will be billed in arrears and are due and payable 30 days from billing.

Fees will be levied for overseas trips and special functions. Parents will be advised in advance of these fees which will be payable on the acceptance of a student's participation in the activity. Please note students will be unable to participate unless school fee accounts are up to date or an agreed payment arrangement has been accepted by the Principal or Business Manager – Finance and is adhered to.

## **BOARDING FEE**

<b>Year Level</b>	<b>Parent Contribution (\$ per year)</b>	<b>Parent Contribution (\$ per instalment)</b>
Year 7	\$A14,200	\$A7,100
Year 8	\$A14,200	\$A7,100
Year 9	\$A14,200	\$A7,100
Year 10	\$A20,000	\$A10,000
Year 11	\$A20,000	\$A10,000
Year 12	\$A20,000	\$A10,000

Overseas applicants proposing to attend Clarendon as a boarder must attend on a full-time basis, have the financial capacity to cover all expenses, including return air fares and living costs, and must be of good health.

Annual boarding fees for overseas students not eligible for government funding will be billed in two instalments. A student will not normally be permitted to commence unless accounts have been paid by the due date or a formal arrangement made with the Business Manager – Finance prior to the due date.

GST payable on the food component of boarding fees is included in the schedule above.

Additional charges may apply to boarders. These may include travel, social activities and expenses incurred by Clarendon acting in loco parentis, such as course and material costs, stationery, textbooks and uniform. Where Clarendon is required to arrange accommodation during holiday periods with a host family, a charge will apply for Years 7–9 of \$A40 per day and Years 10-12 of \$A50 per day.

## **KING ISLAND FEE**

The 2018 fee for attendance at King Island during Year 9 is \$A5,000. This is a subsidised fee which covers part of the cost of transport, food and accommodation and will be billed in two equal instalments of \$A2,500. All students attending King Island are required to pay this fee. It is not covered by any scholarship or bursary awarded by Clarendon. Boarders attending King Island will not be charged a boarding fee for the period they are on King Island.

## **PERFORMING ARTS**

<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Parent Contribution (\$ per lesson)</b>
30-min individual music	\$A36.00
30-min individual speech/drama	\$A36.00
30-min group theory/singing	\$A16.00

Music tuition fees and other incidental charges for individual, paired or group Performing Arts lessons are levied from commencement of lessons and invoiced in advance covering lessons each term.

Instruments can be hired through the College. Rates vary depending on the instrument and a bond is payable.

Accompaniment fees for rehearsals and exams are additional if applicable.

Further information can be obtained from the Performing Arts Centre.

## **REGISTRATION FEE**

A registration fee of \$A100 is charged for the registration of each overseas student. This fee is not refundable and its payment does not guarantee the offer of a place in the College for the child.

## **ENROLMENT DEPOSIT**

Overseas students pay \$A500 which is refundable at the completion of the course.

## **OVERSEAS STUDENT ADMINISTRATION FEE**

A fee of \$A850 is charged to cover general administration expenses and is not refundable.

## **STUDENT CAPITAL LOAN SCHEME**

Overseas student pay \$A500 which is refundable at the completion of the course.

## **OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER**

Overseas students are required to have health cover in place for the duration of their stay in Australia and the fee will vary depending on the period required. The relevant fee will be calculated and advised by Clarendon in the place offer or available upon request.

## **NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS**

Students in Years 5 to 9 are required to purchase a tablet computer through the College program. Student in Years 10 to 12 requiring a notebook or tablet computer may also purchase one through the College program. The notebook or tablet fee may change from year to year according to the models, supplier and brand available at the time of purchase/lease. Further details regarding the notebook program can be obtained in the Notebook Policy.

## **VOLUNTARY BUILDING FUND/SCHOLARSHIP FUND/LIBRARY DONATIONS**

Families may wish to make a voluntary donation to our Building Fund, Scholarship Fund or Library. Donations over \$A2 are tax deductible in Australia.

Voluntary Building Fund donations contribute to the purchase and/or construction of buildings which otherwise would be delayed or unattainable due to a lack of finance. These buildings contribute to the current and future infrastructure to enable us to focus on continuing to provide exceptional learning experiences for our students.

Voluntary Scholarship Fund donations provide financial support to students who may not otherwise have the opportunity to attend Ballarat Clarendon College. Scholarships are offered for Academic, Performing & Visual Arts and Excellence. Information regarding the Scholarship program is available on Connect.

A voluntary tax deductible Scholarship or Building Fund donation of \$A50 per term is shown on each family's statement. This amount has not been added to the total amount payable on the statement. To make a voluntary Scholarship or Building Fund donation, families are asked to tick their selection and add the amount to the total amount before returning the remittance advice with their payment.

Voluntary tax deductible donations to the Library provides support for library resources.

## **WITHDRAWAL OF STUDENTS – FEE IN LIEU OF NOTICE**

A term's notice in writing must be received by the Principal before a student leaves, or a boarder becomes a day student. Should written notice not be provided within the specified timeframe, a charge of up to **half an instalment's fee** will be levied. Notice of withdrawal should include the reason for withdrawal.

## **TUITION AND BOARDING FEE REFUNDS POLICY**

Clarendon will provide a full refund to the student if the course of study does not commence on the agreed starting day, ceases after commencement, but before completion, or the College loses its accreditation.

If the student defaults by not starting on the agreed date and has not previously withdrawn or withdraws either before or after the agreed starting day, then the College will refund the total of the tuition and boarding fees, less the following deductions, within four weeks.

- *General administration expenses* – the lesser of 5% of the total Tuition Fee received or \$A250.
- *Travel, accommodation and other domestic services expenses incurred by the College* that cannot be offset by providing the service to someone else.
- *Course materials expenses* already incurred.
- *Course fees* proportional to the amount of the course provided before the default day, which is deemed to be the day on which the school received notice of the default in writing from the student.

The student's liabilities in the above areas will be provided in a statement from the Business Manager – Finance. This agreement does not remove the right to take further action under Australia's consumer protection laws or the student's right to pursue other legal remedies.

## **PAYMENT OF FEES**

Fees are due and payable 30 days from billing with accounts rendered as set out below.

<b>Instalment</b>	<b>Billing Date</b>
Instalment 1	11 October 2017
Instalment 2	17 April 2018

Reminder statements and accounts for incidentals will be sent out during the year with a final account issued in December, incorporating any remaining charges for the year.

Fees may be paid by cash, cheque, BPay, direct debit or credit card. Clarendon does not levy an administrative fee for payments made by credit card. Bank account details will be provided on request for direct transfer of funds. Cheques are to be made payable to **Ballarat and Clarendon College**.

An administration fee may be levied for each additional Statement issued arising from Late Payment of accounts or for failure (for any reason) of a financial institution to honour a cheque or electronic transaction.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Extended Student Absences**

Parents, who wish for their child(ren) to take an extended leave of absence and have the enrolment place(s) guaranteed, must ensure they read the Holding a Place for Extended Student Absence Policy as certain terms and conditions may apply.

### **Financial Hardship**

Parents, who may be experiencing financial hardship, should make contact with the Business Manager – Finance to discuss possible payment solutions.

## **FURTHER DETAILS**

For more details regarding Clarendon fees and charges, please refer to the Enrolment Policy. Other relevant documentation includes the College Rules and the Student Details Policy. These documents can be obtained from Connect@Clarendon

<https://connect.clarendon.vic.edu.au/Search/Pages/default.aspx> the website

<http://www.clarendon.vic.edu.au/> or by contacting the College.

# overview of the basic components of 2018 budget

