# **OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**



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15 December 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers

## **2026 PRIORITIES AND FEE SCHEDULE**

As we approach the end of the year, I'd like to share some updates about our priorities and the fee structure for 2026.

This year, Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School, together with all Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) schools, has continued to focus on delivering high-quality Catholic education.

Looking ahead, our work is guided by our *Shaping Tomorrow, Together in Faith* Strategy. For your children, this means:

- **Learning that meets the needs of students** teachers are using evidence-based approaches to support each student and help them thrive.
- Wellbeing at the heart of school life both students and staff receive strong pastoral support to feel safe, connected, and motivated.
- Every student reaching their potential we will leverage CSBB's new Data Eco System to monitor progress closely so all students, especially those in priority groups, can be their best.
- **Supporting our teachers** staff are continually developing their skills and growing in faith to provide the highest-quality learning.
- **Nurturing future leaders** we are encouraging students and staff to develop the skills and confidence to carry our mission forward.
- **Seamless learning pathways** as across CSBB we broaden support from early years to post-school, to provide a clear and supportive journey for every student.
- **Responding to family and community needs** we are listening to our school community and evolving where necessary to better serve families.

We also continue to prioritise collaborative coaching time for our staff, which provides an opportunity each week to review teaching, learning and the progress of students with a School Leader. This initiative, along with the enhanced support being provided to staff in each of our classrooms, is helping each student achieve their best.

To maintain these initiatives and respond to rising costs, fees will need to increase in 2026. We do understand the cost-of-living pressure on our families and have restricted the increase in the education fee in our school to 5%.

The 2026 fee schedule for Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School is **attached.** 

We remain deeply committed to ensuring no family misses out on a Catholic education due to financial difficulties and we are available to discuss financial hardship support if needed. In addition, we will be maintaining our commitments to Sibling discounts in 2026, providing families with extra support:

Number of Education Fees billed to	Discount to the Education Fee
an account	
1	0%
2	25%
3	55%
4+	100%

Please note that sibling discounts apply only to children enrolled in CSBB systemic schools, based on the number of Education Fees billed to a parent's account. Sibling Discounts do not apply to children attending non-systemic Catholic schools.

Where parents or carers have multiple accounts with CSBB, sibling discounts may not be automatically applied to the invoice. Once invoices are received early in February 2026, any queries should be directed to the School Fee Liaison Team.

If you are experiencing financial hardship, please do reach out to the School Fees Liaison Team via email (<a href="mailto:schoolfees@dbb.catholic.edu.au">schoolfees@dbb.catholic.edu.au</a>) or phone 7256 2888 for confidential support. We offer several options for any family in need.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in your child's education. We wish you and your family a restful break and every blessing for Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

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### **2025 SCHEDULE OF FEES**

The 2025 fee structure for the first child in Our Lady Help of Christians Epping is outlined below.

DESCRIPTION	Amount (\$)
Education Fee <sup>1</sup>	
Kindergarten	3680
Year 1	3753
Year 2	3753
Year 3	3790
Year 4	3790
Year 5	3827
Year 6	3827
Supplementary Fee <sup>2</sup>	
Yr 5 & 6 Camp (per child)	441
K-4 Swimming Program (per child)	165

- Sibling discounts applied to education fee portion of total fee as outlined above
- 2. For families with multiple accounts, sibling discounts may not be automatically applied. If you have any questions after receiving your invoice in February 2025, please contact the School Fee Liaison Team.
- 3. Any other extra curricula charge other than those listed (band, instrument hire, chess, University competitions, school magazines, costs associated with representative sport etc) are to be paid via our alternative payment platform (QKR, COMPASS Pay etc).

## **BILLING**

School fees are billed annually at the beginning of Term 1 by CSBB and are due in 10 monthly instalments. The first instalment is due 21st of February and the last payment being November. School fees may be paid more frequently (annually, fortnightly, or weekly), however the monthly instalment amount is to be paid by the 21st of the month. Our preferred method of payment for fees is BPAY.

## **INCORPORATION**

CSBB has incorporated. This is an important step in our *Towards 2025* journey as we continue to deliver Catholic education in the Diocese, guided by the Bishop, within strengthened governance structures.

Incorporation provides CSBB with a new system of governance. This system will support and foster stronger collaboration between parents, parish priests, principals, and staff, through shared mission, focussing on the development of every student spiritually and academically.

Incorporation results in a transition from the current proprietor of system schools in Broken Bay to a newly established not-for-profit company (Catholic Schools Broken Bay Limited as Trustee for the Catholic Schools Broken Bay Trust (ABN: 82 991 936 092). The trust will be registered as a charity and will be responsible for the existing system of 45 schools and over 18,000 students.

Whilst your 2025 Tax Invoice will feature an updated ABN and display an ACN, there is no change to your BPAY number, our standard payment terms, and our School Fee Policy. If you have any questions regarding incorporation or your school fee account, please contact <a href="mailto:schoolfees@dbb.org.au">schoolfees@dbb.org.au</a>

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