

Fees and charges are reviewed annually by the School Board, who seek to keep increases as low as possible. Fees for the following school year are announced in Term 4.

ENROLMENT FEES	
Application Fee \$165 <i>Non-refundable</i>	To place your child on the pre-primary or primary waitlist. This non-refundable fee is paid per student when you submit your application.
Placement Fee 1 st Child: \$1,600 2 nd Child: \$800 3 rd + Child: \$0 <i>Non-refundable</i> (except on completion of 9 – 12 Cycle)	The Placement Fee is paid per students and reduces depending on the number of children enrolled. The Placement Fee for the first child is \$1,600, second child \$800, and no fee if more than 2 children are enrolled. The total Placement Fee payable per family is \$2,400. The Placement Fee is generally non-refundable. However, the fee may be refunded at the conclusion of the 9-12 Cycle for a student who has been enrolled in the school from the 3-6 Cycle.
Notice of Withdrawal One term or one term's fees	Regardless of whether a child is completing a cycle or not, parents must give one full term's notice in writing to the School Principal of intent to withdraw from the School. Where notice is not given, one term's fees in lieu of notice is due and payable. Notice is not required for children graduating from the school in year 6.
<i>The Application Fee and Placement Fee are not offset against outstanding school fees.</i>	

SCHOOL FEES and SIBLING DISCOUNTS
School fees and charges are billed annually and paid by ten direct debit payments from February to November, inclusive (or pro rata if mid-year commencement). The school offers a tiered discount structure for children concurrently enrolled in the pre-school and primary school only, with the <i>largest discount applied to the eldest child</i> . All discounts apply only to tuition fees and not to levies or optional charges such as extracurricular activities, the Toddler programme and Before and After School Care. Discounts do not apply to siblings enrolled at Stepping Stones Long Day Care. The discount structure is as follows: 25% for the first sibling (second child concurrently enrolled), 50% for the second sibling, 75% for the third sibling, and 100% for the fourth and later siblings.

SCHOOL FEES – per student per year (inclusive of all tuition and levies i.e., facilities, equipment & excursion)		
Primary student	(8:30am – 2:55pm)	\$14,860
Extended Day / Kindergarten	(8:30am – 2:45pm)	\$14,680
Pre-primary student PP1 & PP2 (3 and 4 year olds)	(8:30am – 11:45am)	\$14,360*

ANNUAL FEES – per family per year	
Annual society membership fee	\$65
Annual fund-raising raffle	\$300 <i>(recoverable if tickets are on-sold)</i>
Support Hours programme	\$800 <i>(recoverable if completing 4 school support hours per term incl 1 working bee per year)</i>

SUPPORT HOURS PROGRAMME
Families contribute to the enhancement of the school community by performing four (4) school support hours per family per term. This includes one working bee attendance per parent each year. In return for this contribution, \$50 is credited to the family for each support hour completed, each term.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS
The School Building Fund is applied to building related capital works as well as building improvements; building maintenance and other related building expenditure. Donations to the Building Fund of \$2 or more are tax deductible in Australia.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY CHARGES
Various extra-curricular classes are held before, during and after school. These currently include Japanese, French, Mandarin, Origami, Orchestra, Choir, Band, Chess, Montessori Football, Lego Robotics and Tae Kwon Do. Participation in these activities is optional. The cost for these activities is additional and is paid directly to the provider. Full details of these activities and contact details for the providers can be obtained from the school office.

OOSH (OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS) CARE		
Fees for our OOSH services are set at a level that makes these services sustainable for the school. Breakfast and afternoon tea are included in BSC and ASC. Vacation care is offered during school holidays except during our 4 week shut-down period in December/January. Where there is no demand for services on a particular day, the service may be cancelled. Booking is essential to ensure a spot.		
Before School Care (BSC): all students*	(7:30am- 8:30am)	\$10 per session
Montessori Home Environment (MHE): 3 and 4 year olds*	(11:45am – 2:45pm)	\$28 per session
After School Care (ASC): all students*	(2:45pm – 6pm)	\$30 per session
Vacation Care – full day: all students*	(8am -6pm)	\$65 per day
Vacation Care – full day with incursion: all students*	(8am -6pm)	\$85 per day

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY
NMS is an Approved Child Care provider and families may be able to claim the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) if they meet the criteria set by the Family Assistance Office. * Fees eligible for the CCS include 3 and 4 year old pre-primary tuition fees; MHE fees and other OOSH fees for 3-12 year olds (BSC, ASC and Vacation Care), as detailed above.