

2025 FEE SCHEDULE & PROCEDURES

Tuition Fees

	1 st child	2 nd child	3 rd child	4 th child
2025 Tuition Fees	\$4,625	\$4,085	\$3,395	\$500

* St Mark's offers a sibling discount to families with more than one child attending.

The all-inclusive fee will include regular tuition costs, as well as the annual IT levy, Capital levy (\$150 per student, capped at \$300 per family), booklist (stationery) and camp costs. Tuition fees will continue to cover extracurricular activities such as class excursions and swimming lessons.

Voluntary extracurricular programs are excluded from the tuition fees. These include musical instrument hire & tuition, Scholastic Book Club, ICAS testing and school photos.

School uniform is also purchased separately.

Stationery

Student stationery will be ordered through the School at the beginning of the year and delivered directly to the School for all students. Pooled resources such as coloured pencils, textas, rulers, scissors and glue sticks will be made available to all students by their teachers.

St Mark's believes this process takes the pressure off families at an already busy time of year, be more cost effective to families and reduce waste in our environment.

As advised above, the cost of student stationery will be included in your 2025 tuition fee invoice.

Payment of Fees

Tuition Fees are invoiced either at the beginning of each year, or in July for our mid-year enrolment families. Families have the option to pay in instalments using our online FACTS payment platform. Please enquire at the Front Office for further information.

For families that aren't on a FACTS payment plan, we ask that you pay each term by Week 5 of the term.

Refunds

Tuition fees are not refundable.

The school's budget is determined based on enrolment numbers at the start of the academic year and financial commitments are made to curriculum, staff and facilities accordingly. Therefore, requests for pro-rated tuition charges or refunds as a result of illness or extended holidays cannot be granted.

In the event that a student is required to leave for disciplinary reasons, tuition fees are forfeited.

School Card Discount

A School Card Discount of \$500 per year per eligible student is offered to parent(s) paying 100% of the fees. A new School Card application must be made each year and the discount will only be applied to eligible students. Eligible students who commence at St Mark's mid-year will receive a pro-rata of the discount i.e. \$125 per term for each term in attendance. Application forms are available from the Front Office or online at: <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>.

Separated parents who share fees will each be expected to apply for School Card independently. Only the parent listed on the School Card Register Report will receive a pro-rated rebate.

New Students - Enrolment Deposit Refund

The enrolment deposit paid one term in advance for new students will be credited to tuition fee invoices upon commencement when tuition fees are billed. Please note that this will alter payment plans in the year of commencement and the instalment amounts will be less due to the pre-payment. Please ensure you budget for an increase in the second year.

Alternative Payment Method Options:

Direct Credit / Periodic Payment

You can credit our bank account directly or ask your bank /employer to credit our bank account on a regular basis. *Please ensure that enough information is provided with each payment to identify you, ideally your St Mark's Code found on the top right of the fee statement.* Ask us or your financial institution for more details.

Our bank account details:

Bank: Westpac Banking Corporation
Branch: Mt Barker
Account Name: St Mark's Lutheran School Mt Barker Inc – Operating
Account BSB No: 035-094
Account No: 129541

Paying in person

Payment can be made at the school office by cash, cheque or credit/EFTPOS card (Visa, Mastercard and savings accounts only). Cheques should be made payable to "St Mark's Lutheran School Mt Barker Inc".

Centrelink automatic deduction – "Centrepay"

Centrepay is a facility available for Centrelink customers to have regular amounts deducted from their Centrelink payments for the payment of school fees. Please ask for more information at your local Centrelink office.