2014 TUITION AND BOARDING FEES
FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The St Hilda’s Approach to School Fees
St Hilda’s incorporates the majority of costs for academic and co-curricular programs, including year level outdoor education experiences, excursions, QGSSSA and Andrews Cup sporting fixtures, musical performances and associated travel into our Tuition Fees.

We trust that the St Hilda’s approach will assist you to plan and budget for your annual family costs accordingly. Naturally, charges for texts and uniforms and for discretionary activities, such as private music tuition or rowing camps, and invitational programs are not included in the Tuition Fee.

Fees for 2014 are as follows. Fees are subject to an annual increase of between five per cent and 8 per cent depending on economic factors. The School has a policy relating to refunds and this is made available to students prior to entering into a contract with parents.

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<th>International Students on a 571 Student Visa Tuition Fees</th>
<th>Annual</th>
<th>Per Semester</th>
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<td>Prep</td>
<td>$14,367</td>
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<td>Years 1 to 3</td>
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<td>Years 6 to 10</td>
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<td>Years 11 to 12 ^</td>
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<td>Boarding Years 6 to 10</td>
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* Discount is applied if payment is received by the due date (i.e. first day of each semester)
^ Year 12 Tuition and Boarding Fees are required in three equal payments by commencement of Terms 1, 2 and 3
Enrolment Application fee
All Applications for Enrolment to the School must be accompanied by supporting documentation and a $275 Application Fee for International Students on a 571 Student Visa. This fee is non-refundable and does not guarantee a place in the School.

Enrolment Confirmation fee
Acceptance of a place in the School must be accompanied by an Enrolment Confirmation Fee of $980.

Payment of School Fees
Tuition and Boarding Fees for Pre-Preparatory to Year 11 are charged by the term. Year 12 Tuition and Boarding Fees are required in three equal payments by commencement of Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Semester or yearly payment is acceptable.

Please note that the payment of ALL school fees is required by the due date which is the first day of each term. Students will not be permitted to commence a new term while all or part of the previous term’s fees remain unpaid unless special arrangements apply in writing and are maintained.

One full term’s notice of a student’s departure must be given in writing to the Head of School or one term’s fees will be payable if no notice is given.

Sibling discount
A discount of 15 per cent on tuition fees for the third and subsequent student from one family attending the School simultaneously is available. Where a family has boys at The Southport School and girls at St Hilda’s, the Schools have agreed that the 15 per cent discount applies for the third and subsequent child. Please contact the Fees Officer in relation to sibling discounts.

Fees for Specialist Class Subjects and Materials
- Hospitality Studies (Years 11 and 12) $120 per term
- Engineering Technology (Years 11 and 12) $120 per term
- Gymnastics (Pre-Preparatory) $95.00 per term
- Careers Avenue Testing (Year 10) $148.00 per annum

Computer Printing Costs
Computer printing costs of $63 for all students are included in the tuition fee.

Voluntary building fund
A voluntary building fund contribution of $500 per family applies and is charged at $125 per term. This contribution is tax deductible.

Student accident insurance
The School pays the premium for student insurance through Jardine Lloyd Thompson Pty Ltd, Brisbane. Enrolled students are covered for the full year.

Ambulance cover
Residents of Queensland are covered for Ambulance Services by levy contribution through their electricity provider. It is recommended that non-residents of Queensland should make arrangements for Ambulance Cover.

Goods and services tax
The supply of educational courses is GST free and this includes excursions or field trips, course materials but only if directly related to the curriculum and excludes any food component. Goods sold, leased or hired to students are not GST free. Student accommodation is GST free. GST applies to the boarding food component.
REFUND POLICY

A copy of this policy is provided to the student (or parent(s)/legal guardian if the student is under 18) at a reasonable time prior to a written agreement being signed or an amount is paid for a registered course.

1. This Refund Policy applies to all course monies and includes any course monies paid to an education agent to be remitted to the School.

2. Fees for services paid to education agents by students (or parents if the student is under 18) are not covered by this Refund Policy.

3. The Application Fee ($275) is non-refundable in all cases.

4. Payment of Course Fees and Refunds
   a) Fees are payable one semester in advance.
   b) All fees must be paid in Australian dollars.
   c) If the student changes visa status (e.g. becomes a temporary or permanent resident), she will continue to pay full overseas student's fees for the duration of that term.
   d) Refunds will be reimbursed in Australian dollars and the payment sent to the applicant’s home country unless otherwise requested in writing.
   e) Refunds will be paid to the person who enters into the written agreement unless written direction is received from the person who has signed the Enrolment Contract.

5. All notifications of withdrawal from a course must be made in writing to the Head of School.

6. Notification of withdrawal after commencement of the course requires one term’s notice in writing to the Head of School. If a term’s notice is not given, a term’s fees will be charged in lieu of notice.

7. Student Default (Visa refusal)
   If a student’s visa application is refused by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship and the student cannot undertake the course, the school will refund within four weeks any pre-paid tuition and non-tuition fees where the student produces evidence that the application made by the student for a student visa has been refused by the Australian immigration authorities.

8. Student Default (other)
   a) Any amount owing under this section will be paid within 4 weeks of receiving a written claim from the student (or parent(s)/legal guardian if the student is under 18).
   b) Non-Tuition fees will be refunded on a pro rata basis proportional to the amount of time the student was studying in the course, except where a non-refundable payment on behalf of the student has been made.
   c) If the student does not provide written notice of withdrawal and does not start the course on the agreed starting date, only one term’s fees will be refunded from the semester tuition fee.
   d) If up to two semester’s tuition fees have been prepaid, and the school receives written notification of withdrawal by the student (or parent(s)/legal guardian if the student is under 18), the school will refund the amount of prepaid fees less the following amounts:
      i) 70% of the tuition fee if written notice is received less than four weeks prior to commencement of the course.
ii) 50% of any unspent pre-paid tuition fees, up to a maximum of one term’s fees, if written notice is received before one (1) study period (one Semester) of the payment period has passed.

iii) No amount will be refunded if written notice is received after 1 study period (one Semester) of the payment period has passed.

e) If more than two semester’s tuition fees have been prepaid in one amount, refund provisions under (d) will apply for tuition fees paid for the first two semesters, and any remaining unspent tuition fees after this will be refunded.

f) No refund of tuition fees will be made where a student’s enrolment is cancelled for any of the following reasons:

i) Failure to maintain satisfactory course progress (visa condition 8202).

ii) Failure to maintain satisfactory attendance (visa condition 8202)

iii) Failure to maintain approved welfare and accommodation arrangements (visa condition 8532)

iv) Failure to pay course fees

v) Any behaviour identified as resulting in enrolment cancellation in St Hilda’s School’s Behaviour Policy/Code of Conduct. This includes smoking, drinking of alcohol and possession or taking of drugs.

9. **School Default**

a) If for any reason the school is unable to offer a course on an agreed starting day for the course, and the student for some reason cannot be placed or refuses placement in an alternative course arranged by the school, a full refund of any unspent pre-paid tuition fees* paid to the school will be made within 14 days of the agreed course starting day.

b) If for any reason the school is unable to continue offering a course after the student commences a course, and the student for some reason cannot be placed or refuses placement in an alternative course arranged by the school, a full refund of any [unspent pre-paid tuition fees*](#) paid to the school will be made within 14 days of the course school’s default day.

c) In the event that the school is unable to fulfil its obligations of providing an agreeable alternative course for the student, or a refund, the student is advised to seek assistance from the Australian government’s Tuition Protection Service. For information on the TPS, please see: [https://tps.gov.au/StaticContent/Get/StudentInformation](https://tps.gov.au/StaticContent/Get/StudentInformation)

10. This agreement, and the availability of complaints and appeals processes, does not remove the right of the student to take action under Australia’s consumer protection laws.

*Unspent pre-paid fees* – in the case of the school not being able to provide the course in which the student is enrolled, unspent prepaid tuition fees will be calculated according to a Legislative Instrument: [http://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2012L01351](http://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2012L01351).