



St Mark's School

Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story

02 February 2024

Dear Parents and Whānau

We are writing to inform you of changes to the fee structure for Attendance Dues and donation. We are not increasing the Attendance Dues or the Donation in total. They will remain the same as they were in 2023 in total amount, that is;

- \$1314 in total for one child,
- \$2558 for two children,
- \$3662 for three children or more,

In 2024 you will be asked to pay half of the above as a donation for the February payment, as an Activity Fund Donation and the other half in July as Attendance Dues.

The reason for this is because the Donation can be used for anything while Attendance Fees needs to be used for integrated buildings or land only mainly around property matters. It will give the Board of Proprietors more flexibility in using funds for the benefit of your children.

By making the Donation as that first payment of the year, it can be used for a tax deduction, for the 2023-24 Tax year if paid by 31 March 2024. Therefore, you are effectively better off if able to claim that donation as tax deduction.

For the 2024 school year, we are going to trial this approach and continue it going forward if it is successful. We will require the same commitment to pay the Activity Fund Donation as Attendance Dues otherwise we will revert to the current payment structure in 2025.

In summary you are paying the same amount but we will have greater flexibility to use the funds.

We thank you for your continued support and understanding.

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Nigel Georgieff
Chair
Board of Proprietors