



Information for 2012

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Southern Vales Christian College faces new beginnings in 2012 with a new Principal, yet to be confirmed by the College Board. We also offer a new beginning for a number of new families to Southern Vales. We thank our continuing and past families for their support of the College as the provider of education and care for their children and welcome all families in 2012.

Attached is your **2012 Tuition Agreement** that needs to be completed, signed and returned by the 18th December 2011 to ensure an ongoing enrolment.

This letter contains important information regarding fees, charges and dates for 2012. Should you have any queries please contact the College Office.

Stationery

The College supplier *Campion* will collate orders and supply *Stationery Packs* directly for year 10 - 12 students. Stationery for Reception to year 9 students will be delivered directly to the College and issued by class teachers. The cost of stationery will be added to the Term 1 Fee Account.

Stationery Packs for Reception to year 5 will be \$85 and \$145 for years 6 to 9. This procedure ensures that all students have the correct stationery at the beginning of the year.

Senior Secondary Order Forms have already been given to students and are due back by **Monday 5th** December 2011. **Stationery Packs** (for Years 10 - 12) will be delivered to the nominated address during the fortnight ending **20th January 2012**.

Tuition Fees and Sibling Concessions

Tuition fees for 2012 are:

- 1) **Primary** - **\$2,355** - School Card Fee - **\$905**
- 2) **Secondary** - **\$3,495** - School Card Fee - **\$1,355**

Concessions for 2, 3, 4 & 5 child families are \$680, \$1,440, \$3520 and \$5120 respectively, per family. Families need to complete and submit their *Tuition Agreement* in order to receive concessions.

Composite fees

- 1) Primary R-7 \$210
- 2) Secondary yrs 8-12, \$310

The **Composite Fee** covers *Maintenance, IT Levies* for all students, and the *Literacy Levy* for Primary students. It also has a component that funds general excursions and covers basic primary/secondary resources. The **Composite Fee** will not cover camps or programs that incur broad expenditure. These additional costs are to be met by families.

School Card

School Card families will be charged **Full Fees** initially. Once the College is formally advised that your **School Card** application is successful, then the reduction will be applied to your account. Families who lodge late applications, after the College cut off date, will be charged the full Tuition Fee rate less any minor DECS component amounts of School Card. Please note this means you must lodge your application, at the very latest, by end of week 3 Term 3. Earlier lodgement is preferable as State Government approval takes some time.

Further information regarding *School Card* will be sent to families in January 2012. If your family is eligible for *School Card* or you believe that you will be eligible in 2012, fill out your *Tuition Agreement* accordingly.

2012 Fee Schedule & 2012 Tuition Agreement

The attached *Tuition Agreement* must be completed and **signed** by parent(s)/guardian(s). It forms the contractual arrangement for ongoing enrolment and enables Sibling Concessions to be processed. Concessions will not be given if the signed *Agreement* hasn't been received by the College. Please note this needs to be returned by **Wednesday 14th December 2011**.

Text Book Hire, Locker Hire, IDs & Diaries – unchanged from last year

Secondary students will pay a \$120 hire fee for text books. Text Book Hire fee will appear on the Term 1 Account. Lockers are also available for a yearly hire fee of \$11. IDs are available for \$11 ea. School Diaries will be \$9 ea. Locker Hire, IDs and Diaries will be handled by the front office at both campuses. A special price of \$25 is available for Locker, ID & Diary package. Any damage to Text Books and/or Lockers will be charged separately.

Payment of Accounts

Accounts can be paid by *Direct Debit, EFTPOS, Bpay, and Cash or by Cheque/Money Order*.

Direct Debit forms are available from the office or you can download the forms from the College website. **BPAY** details will be printed on all fee accounts and is only available for payment of Tuition & Composite Fees, Levies and Textbook Hire.

Settlement of Accounts

All 2012 accounts will need to be settled by the 23rd November 2012. Should you have an *outstanding account* from 2011 it is in your best interest to pay your debt as quickly as possible. The College Board requires families to have their accounts settled before students leave at the end of the year for the summer break. Continuing enrolment will be at risk if an outstanding debt persists.

Building Fund

The College has an Australian Tax Office approved Building Fund. A separate Building Fund receipt is issued for all donations. The College would like to suggest each family makes a minimum donation of \$200 to help fund our building program. So please take advantage of the **tax deductibility** of donations made to the College Building Fund.

Uniform Shop

The *Permapleat* Uniform Shop will be open on Monday the 23rd, Tuesday the 24th and Friday the 27th January from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. for the purchase of new uniform items. Families are advised that all students need to wear the College uniform in 2012 in accordance with the Uniform Policy. Purchases from the *Permapleat* shop can only be made from the Morphett Vale Campus. However a new ordering and try for size service will operate once a week at the Aldinga Campus in the New Year (details to be advised). The *Permapleat* shop staff will be able to advise parents on all aspects of uniform requirements.

The College *Administration Office* at Morphett Vale Campus will be closed from the end of business on Thursday the 15th December and will reopen on Monday the 16th January 2012 at 9:00 am. The Aldinga Campus front office will be closed during school holidays.

School resumes Tuesday 31st January 2012.

Kind regards



Michael Bignell
Business Manager
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