Schedule of Fees – 2011

School Fees & Collection Policy (Para 2.1)

"While Commonwealth and State Grants provide some income for Catholic schools, the other major source of income is from fees. Since the College is a Catholic School Community, the fees seek to be affordable and enable the College to provide relevant programs, specialised resources and qualified staff. The payment of fees is the shared responsibility of all families."

SCHOOL FEES

All families are billed in October to confirm enrolments for the following year. The 4 term instalments are due by 15 Nov, 15 Feb, 15 May, and 15 Aug. Families have the option to pay in 10 monthly instalments which are due by 15th of each month from November to August.

YEAR LEVEL	SCHOOL FEE	4 TERM INSTALMENTS	10 MONTH INSTALMENTS
Year 7 to 9	$ 6,280	$ 1,570	$ 628
Year 10 to 12	$ 6,600	$ 1,650	$ 660

The School Fee includes:

- **Tuition Fee** for the provision of educational resources and services.
- **Capital Levy** to assist with capital costs of buildings.
- **Annual Levy** for Year level camps, curriculum based excursions and sundry items, such as Magazine, Calendar, and Planner.

Bushfire Protection Project Levy: ***$50 per family*** payable with the first billing, to assist with costs associated with developing the school's response to improved bushfire protection.

Please note that there is no tax deductible component to the above compulsory school fees.

Subject Levies apply to some elective subjects to purchase additional items, as notified in either the Curriculum Guide or Booklist, and are billed separately.

MACBOOK & IT LEVY

Mater Christi operates a MacBook program for students in Year 7 – 10. The Mac Book Levy & IT Levy are to be paid by the 31st January or on commencement at the College.

YEAR LEVEL	MACBOOK LEVY	IT LEVY
Year 7 to 8	$ 240	$ 180
Year 9 to 10	N/A	$ 180

Mac Book Levy for annual rental of Mac Book.
IT Levy for IT resources, including bag, case & software, and annual insurance of Mac Book.

SIBLING DISCOUNTS and the Shared Family Fee Reduction Scheme

Mater Christi College and **St Joseph's College**, Ferntree Gully, have a **"Shared Family Fee Reduction Scheme"** to assist parents. The discount for students attending Mater Christi College is applied to school fees as follows:

2nd child = 15% 3rd child = 50% 4th plus child = 85%

This discount is applied automatically to sisters attending Mater Christi College. It is necessary to complete an application form **only** if your daughter has an older brother attending St Joseph's College. Application forms are available from the main reception of Mater Christi.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Flexible payment options are available - BPAY (phone or internet), Credit Card, Cash, or Cheque. Monthly payers can also choose Direct Debit or Automatic Credit Card payments.
- For new families, the default payment frequency is 4 billings per annum. If any new or existing family prefers monthly payment, please contact the Finance Team to discuss.
- **ADMINISTRATION DISCOUNT of $150 per student** is applied when the balance of the total school fee is paid in full before 15 February 2010. The October instalment must be paid by the due date. The discount is applied pro-rata for a student receiving a scholarship.

OPTIONAL PROGRAMMES

MUSIC: Private music tuition fees and instrumental hire are charged separately for each semester.

MCC BUS: The Mater Christi Charter bus is charged separately as per the Bus Travel Application form.

Students will be ineligible for voluntary / extra-curricular activities (e.g. instrumental music lessons, Central Australia trip, and overseas trip) when school fees remain outstanding.

REFUND POLICY

A full term's notice in writing to the Principal is required, in accordance with the Conditions of Enrolment, when withdrawing your daughter from the College or one term's fee is payable in lieu of this notice.