

WHAT ARE YOUR CHILDREN'S SCHOOL FEES USED FOR?

Fees cover the day to day running of the school. Most of our expenses (75%) are for salaries and wages. At present, the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education employs and provides a salary for one teacher. All fees must be paid in advance. Parents may agree to pay annually or monthly.

ANNUAL SCHOOL FEES: 2020

It is hard to believe that we have almost arrived at the end of the year. During the past year, necessary repairs and maintenance to the buildings and grounds were completed. To name a few: the new carports, painting of the exterior walls, levelling of the garden pathway and work completed on the palisade fence, sensopathic trays, storage container, wheeled toys and wooden equipment. Thanks and congratulations must go to Ellen Borain and her dedicated team, all of whom have worked tirelessly to make Settlers' Park Primary School a wonderful place for our children to be educated. I would also like to thank the parents for their commitment by ensuring that fees are paid timeously during the current year.

The current economic climate is challenging and this has been a fundamental consideration whilst drafting the 2020 Budget. Various scenarios were compiled and deliberated to ensure the increase in school fees is fair and uncompromising to the school's offering. We have made every effort to ensure that the fees are as affordable as possible.

ANNUAL SCHOOL FEES 2020:

Annual School Fees: The annual school fees for 2020 will be R25, 900.00 (2019: R24, 200.00). Payments of R2,590 per month are payable over a 10 month period, with the first payment due by 3 February 2020 and the final payment due by 3 November 2020. The school fees INCLUDE a once-off annual fee to cover Marsh Learners' Personal Accident Insurance of R302.00 and Netcare911 TraumaLink Scholar Insurance of R44.00 per child, which is now compulsory for all children attending the school.

EARLY SETTLEMENT & SIBLING DISCOUNT (APPLICABLE TO SCHOOL FEES ONLY):

If the 2020 annual school fees are paid in full by 3 February 2020, a 4% discount is offered on the annual fee. A sibling discount of 2% on school fees is available to parents with more than one child attending the school simultaneously.

DEVELOPMENT LEVY:

A development levy of R600 per annum is payable to reduce the number of necessary fundraising projects and to facilitate fair distribution of fundraising efforts across the parent body. This will be charged to the fee accounts at the rate of R60 per month payable over a 10-month period. This will be used to enhance school facilities and purchase new equipment.

N.B. If a child joins Settlers' at a later stage in the year, the pro-rata fees will be calculated.

Please note that one instalment is not equivalent to one month of school attendance. This is due to way the fee payment plan is structured over 10 instalments (not 12). For example, if a child joins the school in Term 3, parents would be liable for half the year's fees or for five instalments. In this case, the first payment for the second half of the year is due by 3 July and the last by 3 November etc.

AFTERCARE FEES 2020:

Aftercare fees have also been increased from January 2020. Please see the table below: The figures below are for FULL afternoon: if your child is fetched before 14:30, these rates will be halved. If you always fetch your child before 13:00, a third of the full afternoon fee will be charged.

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Number Of Days Per Week	Annual Fees (R)	Monthly Fee (R)
5 Days	R 7,330	R 733
4 Days	R 5,864	R 586.40
3 Days	R 4,398	R 439.80
2 Days	R 2,932	R 293.20
1 Day	R 1,466	146.60
Casual daily rate R60		

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