

Fee Reductions in Catholic Primary Schools

FACT SHEET - September 2020

The South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools has announced that it will make Catholic education more affordable by lowering the school fees of every Catholic parish primary school in 2021 under its *Making Catholic Education More Affordable* initiative.



Which schools are included?

All Diocesan Catholic primary schools are included.
A list is available at
cesa.catholic.edu.au/fee-reductions

When will I know how this impacts the fees for my child's primary school?

We expect all schools will communicate their 2021 fees by the end of Term 3, 2020.

What is the proposed new fee structure?

From 2021 each Catholic primary school is to move to a simpler fee structure rather than a combination of different levies. This is to give a clearer and more predictable picture of your school's total fees.

Catholic parish primary schools will continue to provide a lower-income fee for families who qualify for it.

Who is eligible for the lower-income fee?

Any family who is eligible for school card will be able to access the lower-income fee.

Schools will consider each individual family's financial situation and will continue to be generous with fee remissions.

When will the new fees apply from?

The new fees will apply from Term 1, 2021.

Does a fee reduction mean a reduction in the quality of my child's education?

No. There will be no compromise on the quality of your child's education.

How do I find out more?

Please talk directly with your school principal to find out more about the situation at your school.