# Castlemaine Steiner School & Kindergarten

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## School Fees Information Sheet - 2007

The following information applies to all parents making an enrolment application.

**Enrolment Application Fee – Applicable to Ring a Rosie, Kindergarten and School Applications**
A non-refundable Enrolment Application Fee of **$80 per child** is payable with enrolment application. Sixty dollars ($60) of this is deducted from the first term's fee.

**Entry Bond - Applicable to school only: Prep to Class 8**
Entry into the school requires the payment of an Entry Bond of **$250** prior to commencement. See the document *Conditions of Admission* for further information

## TUITION FEES - 2007

| CLASS | FEES PER TERM | Fees per Year | INFORMATION |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Kindergarten** | $510 for 3 sessions per week<br><br>$680 for 4 sessions per week | $2,040<br><br>$2,720 | Children are enrolled in either 3 or 4 sessions per week.<br><br>(Fees are based on $170 per session per term) |
| **Prep to Class 8** | **First child $890** | **$3,560** | * All other charges are invoiced at the start of each term.<br><br>* The four day Prep programme is charged at the full school fee. This assists with the employment of two staff members in the Prep room.<br><br>* Music Tuition Fee $210 per term, from Class 3 upwards. |
| | Second Child **$670** | $2,680 | |
| | Third Child **$225** | $900 | |
| | Fourth child | $0 | |

**Please refer to <u>Conditions of Admission</u> sheet for additional information.**

**The <u>Conditions of Admission</u> must be signed and lodged at Reception during enrolment.**

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# FINANCIAL INFORMATION - 2007

*Tuition fees are subject to change on an annual basis with a minimum of one term's notice.*
**Music Tuition Fees.** (Stringed instrument) $195 per term for all students in Class 3 upwards. Participation in Ensemble only is charged at $95 per term.

**Discounts:** Sibling discounts apply to school enrolments only (25% for second child, 75% for third child and no charge for the fourth child). No discounts apply to Kindergarten and Ring a Rosie enrolments.

## Other Costs – invoiced each term

Stringed Instrument Music Tuition will be invoiced each term for Classes 3 upwards
Excursions/camps/swimming and special events – as required in each year level
Individual class levy for text books – as required in each level
Personal equipment/Musical Instruments – as required in each year level

## Payment of Tuition Fees

**Fees are payable in advance** at the beginning of each term within 1 month (approximately 30 days) of receiving the invoice.
Any fees outstanding after 30 days, without a signed Fee Agreement, will incur a $25 Administration charge.
The school has implemented a Fee Retrieval Policy which all incoming parents must receive. A condition of entry to the school is that each parent / guardian sign the Conditions of Admission form.

## Fee Assistance scheme

The school has adopted a Fee Assistance Scheme, which forms part of the Fee Retrieval procedure. Fee Assistance packages are available on an application basis, for families with severe financial difficulty in meeting fee agreements.

## Tax Deductible Donations

The school is undertaking major capital building projects, which require regular financial commitments. Donations to the school's Building Fund are tax deductible.
The school also operates a tax deductible Library Fund. Donations enable this programme to develop.
These payments are voluntary and are welcomed at any time throughout the school year.

## Other Financial Support

The school has kept tuition fees to a minimum in order to remain accessible to all families. This requires that the school community as a whole supports the school's working bees and fundraising activities. Commitment of time is expected of all families.

## Conveyance Allowance and Education Maintenance Allowance

*Conveyance Allowance* - This payment is for parents who convey their child/ren more than 4.8km **to school** (one way) and is to assist with travel costs.
*Education Maintenance Allowance* - This payment is for parents who are holders of health care cards, pension cards or similar and is to assist with educational costs.

Application to the Department of Education for these two allowances is made through the administration of the school and is advertised through the school newsletter. The EMA payment is made twice yearly through the school – at the end of the second and fourth terms. The Conveyance Allowance is received four times a year, at the end of each term, and is applied to your fee account when we receive it.

# MUSIC TUITION FEES - 2007

## $840 PER YEAR

| CLASS | FEE | INFORMATION |
|---|---|---|
| Class 3<br>to<br>Class 8 | $210 per term | Weekly stringed instrument lessons and participation in ensembles |
| Ensemble only<br>Class 7-8 | $ 105 per term | For participation in ensemble only |