



# **HEATHDALE** 2024 Fee Schedule

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## Investing in Generations

Each year, as we look to finalise our school yearbook, Aurora, I have the opportunity to reflect on what God has done this year as I write the opening address. This reflection brought to mind the idea of 'paying it forward' and how we can daily model God's acts of grace and selflessness to those around us.

This year, we've seen many of our staff and students invest into our school, and local and global communities with true servant-heartedness. There have been students serving new families at our Open Day events; others creating a platform for student voice at assemblies; Secondary students coaching junior teams; and our youngest students keeping God's creation clean.

Our student leadership teams have expanded again this year with the introduction of new portfolios across areas such as Community, the Arts, Sports, Academics, Environment, Assembly and Student Wellbeing. These positions of responsibility widen the scope of student voice across our Melton campus, alongside our College and Primary Captains.

We have further invested in the learning of our students through extensive curricular and co-curricular programs such as exploring sustainable living practices at Edendale Community Farm, Learning survival basics on our Outdoor Ed camp, and taking out the Improptu category of the Wynspeak Public Speaking Competition. We've seen significant growth in our Interschool sporting competitions, with students excelling in district and regional events, and helping design new Interschool Team Uniforms to support their teamwork on the playing field.

Learning about the letter 'Tt' at our Teddy Bear Picnic



Creating a platform for Student Voice in assemblies



Investigating sustainability at Edendale Community Farm



Our new Year 4 rooms provide a great place to learn

These are just some of the many experiences students have been able to explore this year, developing their Godgiven potential and letting their curiosity about God's world shape their learning journey into a lifelong pursuit.

Our staff continue to investigate and implement new technology as a Microsoft Lighthouse School leading the education of tomorrow. This included the development of new in-house tools that allow teachers to monitor realtime progress of their students to better support each student in the classroom. We're also supporting our staff in developing their own potential, increasing our Professional Development opportunities and establishing policies that support staff undertaking further study relevant to their roles.

This year we've invested significantly in our Masterplan at the Melton campus, completing major renovations of the Year 9-10 precinct (B block) and our Year 4 building.

The Year 9-10 precinct follows our campus model of converting what were previously two classroom spaces into one connected, multi-purpose learning environment. In B-block we now have four of these custom learning spaces, staff offices and meeting rooms, a conference room, and a freshly landscaped outdoor area to suit the development of our Secondary students.

Our previous learning enhancement spaces (relocated to new purpose-built facilities) were fully renovated into new Year 4 classrooms with extensions added to the building to accommodate the remodelled floorplan. We also focused on our carpark safety with a traffic reflow program and removed some non-heritage, inadequate buildings to prepare for improved future facilities.



#### Ryka Ali visit our students

As we look ahead to 2024, we expect to begin exciting work on the next phase of our masterplan, including a VCE Science centre, a VCE language centre and a refurbishment of the gym to accommodate our growth into VCE and support our student's health and fitness.

As we work together to continue investing in generations, I want to say thank you for your continued support and contribution to our College community, for your investment into learning, patience as we grow and your prayers as God continues his great story at Heathdale.

We continue to pray that our partnership will be blessed and that your children keep flourishing into who God has called them to be.

Kind regards,

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**ROSS GRACE** Executive Principal

## How do we invest fees?

As we consider the continued development of our vibrant Christian learning community, our desire is to remain good and faithful stewards of the funding we receive from families and government. While there are many everyday costs and long-term investments associated with running the College and planning for its future, these are our key areas of investment.





### OUR STUDENTS

Everything we do at the College is aimed to fulfil our purpose of honouring and glorifying God through the provision of Christian education that helps student's discover and develop their God-given potential. At every stage, whether it's investing in IT infrastructure and digital learning tools, developing purposeful facilities through our Masterplan or implementing new curricular and co-curricular programs — the desire to partner with families by enriching our students' lives and learning, and set them up for success, is at the heart of our planning and financial decisions.

### **OUR STAFF**

Our incredible, dedicated Christian staff are fundamental to the Heathdale experience. Each modelling authentic faithful lives and equipped to learn, grow and be effective in their area of teaching or College administration. Our teachers pour their passion into teaching, whether building the foundations of literacy and maths in Prep students or specialising in one of our many subjects available in the final years of Secondary schooling. Our Welfare teams support all staff in fostering a safe environment where students feel a sense of dignity and belonging. Supporting the smooth running of the College, our Business Services team ensures the College effectively manages critical areas like our digital infrastructure, engagement with families, financial stewardship, the continued maintenance of our College facilities, and much more.

#### **OUR FUTURE**

We continue to advance two initiatives that will guide the College into the future; our Strategic Directions and Masterplans. The Strategic Directions provide five areas of growth for the College – Nurturing our Christian Culture & Identity; Leading the Learning of Tomorrow; Developing Vibrant & Purposeful Spaces; Thriving Communities; and Growing for our Future. These five pillars embrace our Past, suit our Present and allow us to move boldly into the Future. While our Masterplans for the Melton and Werribee campuses envision significant development of both campuses as we seek to enable the growth of our College and provide for our students today and tomorrow.

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Nurturing curiousity in our Library

| TOTAL               |
|---------------------|
| \$ 5,989            |
| \$ 6,326            |
| \$ 6,688            |
| \$ 7,395            |
| <sup>\$</sup> 7,555 |
| <sup>\$</sup> 8,236 |
| <sup>\$</sup> 8,236 |
| <sup>\$</sup> 8,725 |
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| \$ 9,071            |
| \$ 8,681**          |
| \$ 8,496**          |
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\* The Resources Levy includes variable tuition-related resources that are generally either consumable in nature or per student operational and co-curricular expenses. The Resources Levy is fully utilised across the College by each year level and includes compulsory camps.

\*\*Fees are discounted for these year levels in 2024 and are not indicative of future years.

### NOT INCLUDED IN TUITION FEE OR LEVY

- Uniforms
- Most textbooks and stationery items for students in Prep to Year 11
- Levies for VET/VCE VM subjects, etc. these will be billed separately and are dependent on subjects chosen
- General non-compulsory activities: optional overseas trips, extra-curricular and School Exchanges etc.
- User pay services: buses, music lessons, canteen, Before and After School Care, Vacation Care etc.

### OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Fee Schedule should be read in conjunction with the Enrolment Agreement Terms and Conditions available on our website.

A portion of school fees goes toward funding Kindergarten.

### **HEATHDALE Melton Campus** Tuition Discount Information





Year 8 Camp at Lyrebird Park

### ENHANCEMENT OF SIBLING DISCOUNTS

We value families learning together at Heathdale, which is why we prioritise the enrolment of siblings and have always offered discounted fees for siblings when they are enrolled at the College together. Recently, families have received discounts on tuition fees of 15% for a second child, and 25% for every subsequent child. While we understand cost of living increases impact every family, they significantly impact larger families. Therefore, from 2024, the College will increase the discount for third children from 25% to 35% of tuition fees, and for fourth children onwards (when simultaneously enrolled at the College) tuition fees will be free of charge!

| Discount on Tuition Fees |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Second Child             | 15%  |
| Third Child              | 35%  |
| Fourth Child Onwards     | 100% |

**Please note:** To qualify for sibling discounts on tuition fees, children must be enrolled at the College simultaneously. This also only applies to tuition fees and not other charges such as the Resources Levy or co-curricular fees.

### MATCHING HEALTH CARE CONCESSIONS

Families on valid health care cards have previously been able to apply for the Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF), which provided a rebate on fees to families of \$125/year for each Primary student and \$225/year for each Secondary student.

In 2024, the College has decided to match this amount, resulting in a \$250/year rebate for every Primary child and \$450/ year for every Secondary child. To claim this significant rebate, we encourage all relevant families to send a copy of your valid health care card to our Accounts department at accountsreceiveable@heathdale.vic.edu.au by 28th of June, 2024. From there, our team will assist you in applying for the CSEF and once approved, the full amount, including Heathdale's matching contribution, will be credited to your account.