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Catholic Education SA puts a freeze on fees

As South Australians continue to feel the impact of COVID-19, Catholic Education SA has announced it will freeze fees at its 86 Diocesan schools for the 2023 school year.

In 2023, schools fees will remain unchanged at:

- 62 diocesan Catholic primary schools
- 2 special schools St Patrick's and Our Lady of La Vang
- 22 diocesan secondary and combined colleges

The announcement comes as over 1,200 Reception students are preparing to commence at a Catholic primary school as part of the free midyear intake. Families who have children commencing Reception in July will pay no school fees in Term 3 and Term 4 in 2022.

"These decisions are part of our continued COVID-19 response as we seek to support families at a time when they are being impacted by rising costs and inflation," says Dr Neil McGoran, Director, Catholic Education SA.

"Amongst all the worries that families have at this time – worrying about the payment of school fees should not be one of them."

Dr McGoran said the fee-freeze would not impact the quality of education.

Since 2019, Catholic Education SA has been implementing the *Making Catholic Education*More Affordable Initiative to ensure our schools are accessible to any family who wants their child to have a Catholic education.

"We've introduced a range of initiatives, including widespread fee reductions, a low income fee for families on modest incomes, and a free midyear intake for Receptions."

In 2021, all diocesan Catholic primary schools reduced fees by an average of 15%.

In 2022, all diocesan Catholic primary schools froze their fees and diocesan secondary and combined colleges reduced fees by 1% to 7%.

The decision to freeze fees again in 2023 will provide welcome relief to families.

"We're committed to keeping school fees as low as possible and ensuring a Catholic education is affordable and accessible to all."

In addition to the fee-freeze, further fee remissions and reductions are available to any family who is struggling to pay school fees due to financial pressures. Families should contact their school for more information.

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Schools included in the fee freeze are listed below

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	SEAFORD	(R-6 COED)
ANTONIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL	MORPHETT VALE	(R-6 COED)
CARDIJN COLLEGE	NOARLUNGA	(7-12 COED)
CARDIJN COLLEGE GALILEE	ALDINGA	(R-9 COED)
CARITAS COLLEGE	PORT AUGUSTA	(R-12 COED)
CATHERINE MCAULEY SCHOOL	CRAIGMORE	(R-6 COED)
CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL	WARRADALE	(R-6 COED)
COMPASS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY	DAVOREN PARK	(11-12 COED)
DOMINICAN SCHOOL	SEMAPHORE	(R-6 COED)
EMMAUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL	WOODCROFT	(R-6 COED)
GLEESON COLLEGE	GOLDEN GROVE	(7-12 COED)
HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL	PARAFIELD GARDENS	(R-6 COED)
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL	BROMPTON	(R-6 COED)

MARY MACKILLOP MEMORIAL SCHOOL	PENOLA	(R-6 COED)
MCAULEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL	HOVE	(R-6 COED)
MERCEDES COLLEGE	SPRINGFIELD	(R-12 COED)
MOUNT CARMEL COLLEGE	ROSEWATER	(R-12 COED)
NAZARETH CATHOLIC COLLEGE	FINDON	(R-12 COED)
OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL	GLENGOWRIE	(R-6 COED)
OUR LADY OF HOPE SCHOOL	GREENWITH	(R-6 COED)
OUR LADY OF LA VANG SCHOOL	FLINDERS PARK	(Ages 5-20 COED)
OUR LADY OF THE RIVER SCHOOL	BERRI	(R-6 COED)
OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART COLLEGE	ENFIELD	(7-12 GIRLS)
OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION SCHOOL	TAPEROO	(Pre-6 COED)
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE SCHOOL	ALBERT PARK	(R-6 COED)
ROSARY SCHOOL	PROSPECT	(R-6 COED)
SAINT DAVID'S PARISH SCHOOL	TEA TREE GULLY	(R-6 COED)
SAMARITAN COLLEGE	WHYALLA	(R-12 COED)
SCHOOL OF THE NATIVITY	ABERFOYLE PARK	(R-6 COED)
ST ALBERT'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL	LOXTON	(R-6 COED)
ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	MILLICENT	(R-6 COED)
ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL	EDWARDSTOWN	(R-6 COED)
ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH SCHOOL	SALISBURY	(R-6 COED)
ST BARBARA'S PARISH SCHOOL	ROXBY DOWNS	(R-9 COED)
ST BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL	ST MARYS	(R-6 COED)
ST BRIGID'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL	EVANSTON	(R-6 COED)
ST BRIGID'S SCHOOL	KILBURN	(R-6 COED)
ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL	STIRLING	(R-6 COED)
ST COLUMBA'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL	YORKETOWN	(R-7 COED)
ST FRANCIS DE SALES COLLEGE	MOUNT BARKER	(R-12 COED)
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL	NEWTON	(R-6 COED)
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI COLLEGE	RENMARK	(7-12 COED)
ST FRANCIS SCHOOL	LOCKLEYS	(R-6 COED)
ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL	WYNN VALE	(R-6 COED)
ST GABRIEL'S SCHOOL	ENFIELD	(R-6 COED)
ST JAMES SCHOOL	JAMESTOWN	(R-6 COED)
ST JOHN BOSCO SCHOOL	BROOKLYN PARK	(R-6 COED)
ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH SCHOOL	CHRISTIES BEACH	(R-6 COED)
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL	PLYMPTON	(R-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL	NORWOOD	(R-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S PARISH SCHOOL	CLADOTONE	(D. C. OOED)
	GLADSTONE	(R-6 COED)

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	CLARE	(R-9 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	HECTORVILLE	(Pre-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	KINGSWOOD	(R-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	MURRAY BRIDGE	(R-9 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	OTTOWAY	(Pre-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	PAYNEHAM	(Pre-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	PETERBOROUGH	(R-9 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	PORT LINCOLN	(R-12 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	RENMARK	(R-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	TRANMERE	(Pre-6 COED)
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL	WEST HINDMARSH	(Pre-6 COED)
ST MARGARET MARY'S SCHOOL	CROYDON PARK	(Pre-6 COED)
ST MARK'S COLLEGE	PORT PIRIE	(R-12 COED)
ST MARTIN DE PORRES SCHOOL	SHEIDOW PARK	(R-6 COED)
ST MARTIN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	GREENACRES	(R-6 COED)
ST MARY MACKILLOP SCHOOL	WALLAROO	(R-9 COED)
ST MARY MAGDALENE'S SCHOOL	ELIZABETH GROVE	(R-6 COED)
ST MARY'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL	GLENELG	(R-6 COED)
ST MONICA'S PARISH SCHOOL	WALKERVILLE	(R-6 COED)
ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL	MANSFIELD PARK	(R-6 COED)
ST PATRICK'S SPECIAL SCHOOL	DULWICH	(Ages 5-20 COED)
ST PATRICK'S TECHNICAL COLLEGE	EDINBURGH NORTH	(10-12 COED)
ST PIUS X SCHOOL	WINDSOR GARDENS	(R-6 COED)
ST RAPHAEL'S SCHOOL	PARKSIDE	(R-6 COED)
ST THERESE PRIMARY SCHOOL	COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS	(R-6 COED)
ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL	ELIZABETH PARK	(R-6 COED)
ST THOMAS' SCHOOL	GOODWOOD	(Pre-6 COED)
STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL	HENLEY BEACH	(R-6 COED)
STELLA MARIS PARISH SCHOOL	SEACOMBE GARDENS	(R-6 COED)
TENISON WOODS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL	RICHMOND	(R-6 COED)
TENISON WOODS COLLEGE	MOUNT GAMBIER	(R-12 COED)
THOMAS MORE COLLEGE	SALISBURY DOWNS	(7-12 COED)
WHITEFRIARS SCHOOL	WOODVILLE PARK	(R-6 COED)
XAVIER COLLEGE	GAWLER / TWO WELLS	(R-12 COED)