

St Mary's Catholic School Ellerslie

We provide a Catholic Education for the whole child.



2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

RE Charges

You will be aware that there are a number of different charges and donations each year for students at all Catholic integrated schools. You may notice a slight increase in Attendance Dues, as set out by the Catholic Diocese of Auckland. This is to keep in line with rising costs.

Some charges are compulsory, and each family undertakes to pay these when they enrol their child at St. Mary's, Ellerslie. Donations are not compulsory; however, they enable us to offer a broad range of activities at St. Mary's. These charges and donations are as follows for 2019:

Compulsory Charges	Donations
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Attendance Dues \$440 per year, per child (\$110 per term). Attendance Dues are used to repay monies for building works, property related costs and insurance at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese. These are a compulsory payment and a condition of enrolment at Catholic Schools in New Zealand. They are not a voluntary donation.● Religious Education Digital Resource \$16 per year, per child.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Catholic Special Character \$50 per year, per child contribution (\$12.50 per term). This contribution provides the main source of funding for all services provided to St. Mary's School by the Catholic Education Services Board. No contributions are made by the Government for these services. The Catholic Education Services Board assists schools to provide a Catholic education for your child through the preservation and enhancement of the Catholic Special Character in our schools. The Special Character donation is tax deductible.● St. Mary's Building Fund \$100 per year per family (\$25 per term). This fund supports the school to make improvements to school property (does not pay for new buildings). The board has developed a new property enhancement plan and this fund will enable us to carry out this work.● Parent Contribution Donation \$360 per year, per child (\$90 per term). This donation provides funds additional to Government Grants, supports us in the running of the school, ensuring we can provide a wide range of educational experiences for our students. <p>We are extremely grateful to parents who contribute to these development funds, as we could not offer the standard of education we do without them. Your generosity is appreciated.</p>

Financial Hardship: If any family is experiencing difficulty with paying Attendance Dues due to financial hardship, please make an appointment to speak to the Principal to discuss options or contact the Revenue Manager at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland on 09 360 3069. Financial assistance is not available for non-preference students.

Yours Sincerely

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