

Goora Gan Steiner School Fees & Charges Policy & Schedule 2024

Goora Gan Steiner School aims to keep fees to an affordable level commensurate with the Goora Gan Steiner Way, the ability of parents to pay school fees, and with due consideration of the running costs of the school.

We acknowledge that your choice to send your child to Goora Gan Steiner is a choice in fee paying education, and we advise that as a not-for-profit entity, the school uses all income including school fees to run a financially viable and sustainable school.

Compulsory Fees and Levies

Tuition Fees Prep – Class 6	Per Term	Per Year
Tuition	\$622.00	\$2488.00
Sibling Discount	Per Term	Per Year
2 nd Child 20% off	\$497.60	\$1990.40
3 rd Child 40% off	\$373.20	\$1492.80
4 th Child 60% off	\$248.80	\$ 995.20
5 th Child 100%	FREE	FREE
Excursion & Camp Levy Class 3/4** Payable in full with First Term or Annual fees		\$115
Excursion & Camp Levy Class 5/6** Payable in full with First Term or Annual fees		\$170

Enrolment Application Fee - \$110

Payable with lodgement of Enrolment Application Form. Places name on waiting list, if required. Non-refundable.

Enrolment Acceptance Fee - \$200

Confirms acceptance of Enrolment. Payable at the time of Offer of Enrolment, Non- refundable.

Compulsory Tuition Fees and Levies

- Tuition Fees are compulsory and are billed termly or annually. They are not refundable. Tuition Fees contribute to all costs associated with operating our school, including but not limited to: class materials and resources including books, crayons, pencils, and other school stationery; handcraft materials; art materials and recorders; most timetabled health and physical education/sports programs and associated transport.
- Excursion and Camps are part of our curriculum as is maths, reading and writing. They do however attract additional costs, and our levies are designed to cover those direct, additional costs such as transport, accommodation, food for camps, and adequate staff to student supervision. The Excursion and Camps Levy is compulsory and payable in full in Term 1, or annually, and does not attract discounts, or refunds for student absence or withdrawal from the school.
- As the Excursion and Camp Program continues to develop, Goora Gan Steiner is committed to maintaining low levies for 2024, and to assist in funding meaningful experiences for all students. Additional camps, incursions and excursions which arise throughout the year and are not covered

by the base Camp & Excursion levy, will be communicated, and invoiced separately as applicable. These will be charged on a cost only basis at the time of each event.

- Music materials/ instruments – for example Violin rental for Class 3 Violin - will be invoiced separately as required.
- It is expected that students will treat all materials with respect and care; damaged or lost items will be replaced at cost to the family.

Fee Assistance

In recognition of our school's principle that Steiner Education should be as widely available as possible, Temporary Fee Support is available. Information and Applications available from the Office.

Building Fund Contribution - \$100 per term

This is a voluntary donation per family and is held in trust to support the capital development works of our school for current growth and into the future. The school is established as a deductible gift recipient with the Australian Taxation Office and contributions are tax deductible.

Sibling discount

Sibling discounts are offered to families with more than one child enrolled and attending simultaneously. The eldest child enrolled is considered the first child in every case. Sibling discount applies to the tuition fees only.

You may also choose to waive the sibling discount, in which case the additional funds are held in trust in our Community Fund to support current or future Goora Gan Steiner School families experiencing severe financial hardship in maintaining their enrolment.

Payment Options

Payments in full are preferred. In the instance that upfront payment is not a viable option for your family, Goora Gan Steiner School will offer Termly Payment Plan options.

These payments will be for the total balance of Tuition Fees and are invoiced after Enrolment Application and Enrolment Acceptance fees have been paid and enrolment forms returned. Please contact the School for further information. Payments can be made by direct deposit.

Changes to attendance

A full term's notice, in writing, is required for any change to your child's attendance. Failure to give a term's notice will result in families being billed for one term's fees in lieu thereof. Special consideration may be given in some circumstances, but this must be requested in writing to the School Facilitator.

Should a child be expelled or suspended from school the current term's fees remain payable.

Methods of Payment

Preferred method of payment is by direct deposit, account details below. Payment may also be made by Cash or Cheque to the office, or by Direct Debit. Please allow time for monies to be deposited or Cheques to clear by the due date when making payment.

School Account Details - For Enrolment, Tuition Fees and Camp Levies only

Account name: Goora Gan Steiner School

Bank: Bendigo Bank Agnes Water

Reference: Child Family Name Fees

BSB: 633 000 **Account number:** 155184849

Building Fund Details - For Voluntary Building Fund donations only (tax deductible)

Account name: Goora Gan Steiner School Building Fund

Bank: Bendigo Bank Agnes Water

Reference: Child Family Name Donation

BSB: 633 000 **Account number:** 157949710