

Goora Gan Steiner School Fees & Charges Policy & Schedule 2021

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 in 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 from school fees, to run a financially viable and sustainable school.

| Tuition Fees Prep – Class 6 | Per Term | Per Year |
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| Tuition Full Rate | \$543.50 | \$2174 |
| Sibling Discount | Per Term | Per Year |
| 2 nd Child 20% off | \$435 | \$1739 |
| 3 rd Child 40% off | \$326 | \$1304 |
| 4 th Child 60% off | \$214 | \$869 |
| 5 th Child 100% | FREE | FREE |
| Camp and Excursion Levy Class 3/4 Payable in full by Term 3 | \$33 | \$100 |
| Camp and Excursion Levy Class 5/6 Payable in full by Term 3 | \$50 | \$150 |

Enrolment Application Fee - \$110

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

Enrolment Acceptance Fee - \$200

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

Tuition Fees

- Tuition Fees are compulsory charges and billed termly or annually. Fees covers the cost of class materials and resources. Including books, crayons, pencils and other school stationery; handcraft materials; art materials and recorders. It also covers the cost of timetabled health and physical education/sports programs and associated transport.
- Other Music materials/ instruments and lessons 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.
- School camps, incursions and excursions will be invoiced separately as applicable. These will be charged on a cost only basis at the time of each event.

**NB: In 2020 Goora Gan Steiner School absorbed all costs associated with excursions and camps. As the Excursion and Camp Programs continue to develop, in 2021 the School is committed to funding 50% of the costs of camps, and the remaining costs will be levied to parents at a rate of: not more than \$100 per annum for Class 3/4 students, and not more than \$150 per annum for Class 5/6 students, payable by Term 3.*

Fee Assistance

In recognition of our school's principle that Steiner Education should be as widely available as possible, Temporary Fee Support is available on a need's basis. Information and Application Forms are 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. As payment of this levy by families is voluntary and as the school is established as a deductible gift recipient with the Australian Taxation Office, the payment is 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 an affordable 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 cheque, direct deposit into the School Bank Account, details below.

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's enrolment contract be annulled or suspended, the current term's fees remain payable.

Methods of Payment

Preferred method of payment is by direct deposit, account details below. Please allow time for monies to be deposited or Cheques to clear by the due date when making payment.

School Account Details - For Enrolment and Tuition Fees only

Account name: Goora Gan Steiner School

Bank: Bendigo Bank Agnes Water

Reference: 'Child Family Name' Tuition 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