

**School Fees Schedule
2026**



BLACKFRIARS

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Fees and discounts provided are set each year by the Blackfriars Priory School Board based on the financial requirements of the school. Approval for all fees is given by both the School Board and Friars of the Dominican Province of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

2026 Tuition Fee

Year level	Total	Monthly instalments (February to October)	Total paid in advance (with early payment discount)
Reception	\$4,830	\$537	\$4,637
Year 1	\$4,830	\$537	\$4,637
Year 2	\$4,830	\$537	\$4,637
Year 3	\$7,040	\$782	\$6,758
Year 4	\$7,440	\$827	\$7,142
Year 5	\$7,890	\$877	\$7,574
Year 6	\$7,890	\$877	\$7,574
Year 7	\$10,160	\$1,129	\$9,754
Year 8	\$12,500	\$1,389	\$12,000
Year 9	\$12,200	\$1,356	\$11,712
Year 10	\$12,080	\$1,342	\$11,597
Year 11	\$12,100	\$1,344	\$11,616
Year 12	\$12,440	\$1,382	\$11,942
Capital Levy*	\$451		

* refer to p.4 for details

Tuition Fee

This annual fee is billed in full at the beginning of the year based on your child's/children's year level. The fee covers both the tuition aspect of your child's education as well as all educational materials and resources for the year including the costs for sports teams, excursions, camp program, book hire, guest speakers, etc.

In order to keep additional billing for families to a minimum we have endeavoured to make the fee as all-inclusive as possible.

A list of items not covered by this fee are contained within this document.

Payment of school fees

School fees are to be paid in full by 31 October 2026. Payment options available to families are as follows:

Option 1: Payment of total fees by 28 February 2026 attract a 4% discount on Tuition Fee.

Where low income discount or other fee remissions, including awarded scholarships, have been applied, no early payment discount will apply.

Option 2: Paid in nine equal installments throughout the year as a direct debit. The direct debit form must be completed by families who elect not to pay in full by 28 February 2026.

All direct debits will be administered by *PaySmart*.

PaySmart

PaySmart is a third-party direct debit service provider that manages fee payment services on behalf of Blackfriars. *PaySmart* is an authorised provider within the financial services sector and complies with the industry's highest data and transaction security (PCI-DSS Tier 1) standards.

PaySmart direct debit arrangements automatically roll over from year to year. Families will be advised via communication from Blackfriars of their adjusted 2026 payment amounts before the school year commences.

Families new to Blackfriars will be required to complete the *PaySmart* application and authorisation form if choosing payment option 2. This facility allows families to have their fees automatically deducted over the school year on a payment cycle suitable to their circumstances.

Edstart

Parents/Caregivers concerned about the affordability of payment of school fees, especially those with more than one student attending the school, may wish to consider the services provided via *Edstart*.

Edstart is a specialist provider that offers customised funding packages for private school fees including tuition, boarding and other education related costs, including amounts in arrears.

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Edstart flexible payment option

Families wishing to spread school fee payments can apply for an *Edstart* payment plan. You can reduce your repayment amount with an extended plan over multiple years, up to five years after graduation.

For more information, visit:
edstart.com.au/blackfriars

If you have any queries, please contact *Edstart* on 1300 139 445 or chat with their team at contact@edstart.com.au

Brochures about their services are also available from the Blackfriars Registrar or Finance Office.

Please note that in providing information about Edstart we do not provide any recommendations, brokering or advice services. We do not receive referral fees, commissions or other remuneration from Edstart.

Additional fees and incidental charges

Application Fee

A non-refundable fee of \$100 is required with each enrolment application.

Acceptance Fee

A non-refundable fee of \$500 is payable when a student is formally accepted for enrolment at Blackfriars.

Confirmation Fee

For new families with a son commencing in Year 7, a fee of \$1000 is payable approximately six-months prior their start date. This fee is credited to the family's account when the student commences.

If the student does not commence, this fee is non-refundable.

Capital Levy

A compulsory levy of \$451 per family is charged to ensure capital and major maintenance projects are undertaken at Blackfriars.

Information Technology - School-managed Device program

In our effort to provide a safe, secure and effective digital learning environment, Blackfriars employs a compulsory *School-Managed Device* program. Students are issued with a device that is managed by the school in Year 7 and again in Year 10.

The approximate cost of the compulsory device is \$1,500 and includes all warranties, \$0 excess accidental damage protection and full support and claims management through the Blackfriars IT department.

Ownership of the student's device transfers to each family following payment in full, and the device removed from the *School-Managed Device* system following completion of schooling or at the end of the three-year life cycle at Blackfriars.

blackfriars.sa.edu.au/learning/digital

Additional fees and incidental charges *(cont.)*

Music - instrument hire

Hire of music instruments is managed by the Blackfriars Music Department and invoiced by the Finance Office.

Music - individual tuition

All arrangements for individual musical tuition are agreements between families and the individual tutor(s) and do not involve Blackfriars.

Interstate, overseas and co-curricular tours

Blackfriars requires all families to be financially up to date with payment of their Tuition Fees, or financially up to date with an approved payment plan for payment of Tuition Fees when nominating their child for any interstate or overseas school trip. The school may decide, in the exercise of its reasonable discretion, that your child may not be eligible, or may no longer be eligible, for an interstate or overseas trip if fees are not up to date.

Vocational Education Training (VET)

Fees for VET courses are charged separately on your account and must be paid in full prior to the enrolment in the VET course.

School bus services

All ticketing and payments for use of the Link SA / Blackfriars school bus services is managed using the *Transportme Passenger* app.

Any bus related queries can be directed to the Blackfriars Student Services office.

Family discount

Blackfriars has adopted the following family discount for families with more than one child attending the school in the same academic year.

1st child

- will pay full fees
(i.e 100% of total tuition charged)

2nd child

- will receive 10% off the *Tuition Fee*

3rd child

- will receive 25% off the *Tuition Fee*

4th child

- will receive 50% off the *Tuition Fee*

For the definition of family, Blackfriars has adopted the approach that where both enrolling parents/caregivers are the same for each student, and all students are billed on one account, these discounts will apply.

Siblings attending other Catholic schools

Families are required to provide proof (e.g. school fee account) of siblings attending other Catholic schools for the following discounts to be applied.

1 sibling attending another Catholic school

- 4% discount applied to the Blackfriars *Tuition Fee*

2 siblings attending other Catholic school(s)

- 8% discount applied to the Blackfriars *Tuition Fee*

3 (or more) siblings attending other Catholic school(s)

- 12% discount applied to the Blackfriars *Tuition Fee*

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Scholarships

Details of Blackfriars scholarships are available from the school website.

School Card concession

School Card is a South Australian Government means tested assistance scheme focused on providing educational expense support to families on low income. Eligible families will be provided a 40% discount on the *Tuition Fee*.

Applications for *School Card* are required to be made on an annual basis.

Financial assistance

Families who experience a change in circumstances which results in financial hardship may apply for fee assistance from Blackfriars. Please contact the Blackfriars Finance Office to obtain further information regarding the process for applying for fee assistance.

Applications must be received by the end of Term 1 unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Fee payments whilst a student is absent

Payment of school fees is still required when a student is absent from the school for any length of time. If a student is granted approval from Blackfriars for a leave of absence for a minimum of one full term and wishes to return on a prescribed date, the parent(s) and/or guardian(s) will be required to pay a holding fee of 50% of the *Tuition Fee* applicable during the student's absence.

Enrolment exit

When students leave Blackfriars of their own volition, the family must provide a minimum of one term's notice in writing addressed to the Principal. If the student leaves prior to this, a fee is payable which is the equivalent of one term's *Tuition Fee*.

This condition will also apply to students leaving at the end of the school year who have not provided advice prior to the end of Term 3. All fees and charges incurred prior to the student's exit date will remain due and payable.

When *Tuition Fees* are paid upfront, any potential refund or reversal of unused fees will be evaluated upon the student's exit, subject to meeting the refund eligibility criteria.

Non-payment of fees

By signing the *Enrolment Contract*, parents/guardians accept liability of school fees. Non-payment of fees by the agreed dates may require a meeting with the Principal or their delegate to discuss the continuing enrolment of the student at the school.

Blackfriars reserves the right to refuse a student permission to register and/or participate in any school events or activities that require additional payments to the school or a third party, while any amount remains outstanding or unpaid to the school in respect of that student or any of their siblings.

Blackfriars also reserves the right to withdraw any scholarships or concessions while any amount remains outstanding or unpaid to the school in respect of that student or any of their siblings. Any agreement or failure by the



school not to strictly enforce any of its terms of payment in relation to amounts owing to the school, or any agreement to defer payment of an unpaid amount to the school, will not operate as a waiver of the school's rights in relation to such amount.

Blackfriars maintains the right to suspend a student's enrolment while any fees and charges are outstanding.

In persistent cases of non-payment, or non-adherence to agreed arrangements, the student's enrolment at Blackfriars may be withdrawn and the school will institute collection proceedings against families who avoid their obligation of fee payment.

Split accounts

If both parents/guardians have signed the *Application for Enrolment*, a parent/guardian cannot remove themselves from the *Enrolment Contract* without the consent of the school AND the other parent/guardian. Accordingly, unless the school agrees, the legal liability for the payment of fees remains in accordance with the *Enrolment Contract*. The parents/guardians of the student remain jointly and severally liable for the payment of all school fees and charges and the school will not set up a split account to reflect any private arrangement between the parties.

In the event of a marriage breakdown, Blackfriars is not party to any determination of the Family Court and both parties to the *Enrolment Contract* with the school will be pursued jointly and severally for payment of outstanding fees and charges.

Insurance

Blackfriars has in place a limited personal accident and disability insurance policy to cover all students. It excludes all Medicare services including the Medicare Gap.

Copies of the insurance policy are available from the Director of Business.

Parents are advised to check their health and general insurance policies to ensure adequate medical, personal property and liability insurance cover.

Blackfriars does not accept responsibility for any claim to property loss or damage incurred by students or parents.

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Early Learning Centre

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The Blackfriars Early Learning Centre (ELC) operates daily from 7.30am to 6pm. ELC children attend the program from Monday to Friday for 48 weeks of the year.

The ELC closes for two weeks over the Christmas and New Year period. Individual closure days may also occur throughout the year for staff professional development.

ELC Fee Schedule

	Time	Fee
Kindergarten program	8.30am to 3pm	\$105 per day
ELC Early care	7.30 to 8.30am	\$17 per session
ELC Late care	3 to 6pm	\$32 per session
ELC Vacation care (Holiday program)	7.30am to 6pm	\$105 per day

Payment of ELC fees

Accounts are emailed to each family weekly.

Permanent bookings run from the start of Term 1 until the conclusion of Term 4. Within the term all bookings are payable including any absences

Payment of ELC sessions are required by direct debit via the *Xap* app.

For information about the payment of your ELC account, including establishing a direct debit or credit card payments, please contact the Blackfriars Finance Office.

Absence

The minimum booked attendance in the ELC is three days per week. Students are allowed 42 absent days per financial year while still receiving their Government benefit payments.

Families exceeding the 42 absent days within any financial year will not receive their payments once the 42 days have been used. Any absences due to sickness, where a doctor's certificate is supplied, will not be counted in the 42 'allowable absence' days provided per annual year. If your child is away due to sickness and you visit a doctor, please ask for a certificate and provide it to the ELC Administration Officer so that a record of medically approved days of leave can be maintained. This is important when calculating absences from the ELC and it will impact on rebate payments if not accurate.

Notice of withdrawal

Four weeks' notice of withdrawal of an enrolment is required to be emailed to the Coordinator of Early Learning. Failing this, fees equivalent to your child's attendance over a 4 week period will be charged in lieu of notice.

Child Care Subsidy Scheme

Both the Blackfriars Priory School Early Learning Centre (ELC) and Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) service are approved care providers, enabling families to access Child Care Subsidy.

Please see the OSHC section of this booklet for full details.

Outside School Hours Care Fee Schedule 2026

The Blackfriars Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) service is available for Blackfriars students in Reception to Year 6. OSHC application forms are available on the school website.

Before school care operates on school days from 7.30 to 8.30am.

After school care operates from 3.30 to 6pm on regular school days and from 1 to 6pm for days with an early finish.

Vacation care is also available during school holidays from 7.30am to 6pm.

No OSHC is provided on public holidays.

OSHC Fee Schedule

	Time	Fee
Before school care	7.30 to 8.30am	\$17 per session
After school care	3.15 to 6pm	\$32 per session
After school care (Early finish)	1 to 6pm	\$39 per session
Vacation care (school holidays)		
Standard	7.30am to 6pm	\$95 per day
Incursion	7.30am to 6pm	\$110 per day
Excursion	7.30am to 6pm	\$130 per day

Payment of OSHC fees

Accounts are emailed to each family weekly.

Permanent bookings run from the start of Term 1 until the conclusion of Term 4. Within the term all bookings are payable including any absences.

Payment of OSHC sessions are required by direct debit via the *Xap* App

For information about the payment of your OSHC account, including establishing a direct debit or credit card payments, please contact the Blackfriars Finance Office.

Cancellations

Before / After school care

Cancellations are required to be made no later than 24-hours prior to the booking.

Cancellations after this time will incur the full session fee.

Vacation care (Standard / Incursion)

Due to demand and staffing for vacation care, cancellations are required to be made no later than 48-hours prior to the day of the booking. Cancellation after this time will incur the full booking fee.

Vacation care (Excursions)

Due to demand and staffing for vacation care, cancellations are required to be made no later than 72-hours prior to the day of the booking. Cancellation after this time will incur the full booking fee.

Late collection fee

A late collection fee of \$20 (plus \$1 per minute) per child applies if collection of a child after 6pm.

Child Care Subsidy Scheme

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The Child Care Subsidy Scheme is designed to support families with children aged 0 to 13 years in sourcing financial assistance, while working, training, studying and volunteering.

The level of subsidy received by each family is determined by:

- 1. Combined family income
- 2. Activity level of both parents
- 3. Type of childcare service

When applying for the subsidy, families are asked to provide:

1. A combined family income that estimates the financial year.
2. The hours of recognised activity including work, training, study and volunteering.
3. The type of childcare used.

All childcare subsidy payments are given directly to the childcare provider, in this case Blackfriars Priory School. Families are required to pay the financial difference between the subsidy and the fee charged.

Please contact the Family Assistance Office (FAO) on 13 61 50 to register and receive a parent and child Customer Reference Number (CRN). Note that there are distinct CRN details for parents and children.

When your child's enrolment ends, the Government will not pay Child Care Subsidy for any days of non attendance before the last documented enrolment date recorded by the ELC or OSHC service. Families are required to pay full fees for these days.

For more information on this process, please visit: www.education.gov.au/childcare



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