

Wednesday, 8th December 2022

Dear Parents.

## 2023 Waihi School Fees

The Waihi School Trust Board approved the 2023 budget and fee schedule at their December meeting on Tuesday. It was agreed that it was necessary for an increase to be applied to both the Tuition fee and the Boarding fee for the 2023 school year due to increasing costs, however the board have kept this below the current 2022 rate of inflation.

Among the deliberations were the ever-increasing costs of maintaining and enhancing our wonderful school environment and improvements to the academic, pastoral, and co-curricular experiences of each child at Waihi.

We evaluated all areas of spending in the school and cost cutting and savings were made where possible.

Several factors we have taken into consideration when setting fees include:

- The level of government funding to independent schools has again reduced.
- The collective agreement for New Zealand teachers and support staff in schools, when combined with Waihi's internal agreement and its support of teachers, means Waihi has faced significant increases in costs in this area.
- The ongoing increases in the minimum wage has impacted contractor costs and outside services
- The rising costs in relation to increases in CPI/inflation in NZ, which has affected us all.

2023 Fees are as follows:

Tuition Fee: \$5,780 per term including GST Boarding Fee: \$3,600 per term including GST

As in previous years there will be a building levy to all students. This cost will increase slightly and be charged at \$189.75 incl. GST per term.

## **Sports Fees**

Sports fees will be invoiced in advance, summer sport fees at the start of Term 1 and winter fees at the start of Term 2. These are determined by your child's choice of sport and cover items such as local sports association fees, travel costs, equipment needs and any sports ground hireage costs.

## **Direct Debit**

A reminder that fees are <u>required to be paid by Direct Debit</u>. Any family new to Waihi who have not yet returned their form we ask that this be completed and returned by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023** in time for processing of the Term 1 fees.



## Payment Dates for 2023

Below are the due dates for each term's fees. Fees will be direct debited on this date unless paid prior.

Term I Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February
Term II Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May
Term III Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July
Term IV Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us.

Kind regards

Carmen Hurst Allan Short

**Accountant** Headmaster