

# Schedule of Fees 2025

Effective from 1 January 2025

## Enrolment Application Fee

The Enrolment Application fee of \$220 (GST included) per child is paid once the application is lodged and is non-refundable. This fee covers the administrative cost of enrolment and the **initial** interview. The enrolment process will commence once the application fee is paid.

## Enrolment Confirmation Fee

The Enrolment Confirmation Fee of **\$600.00** per child is non-refundable and holds a position for the child in the school. **Children entering Kindergarten will pay an enrolment fee of \$100 per child with the balance of the Enrolment Confirmation Fee of \$500 payable prior to entering Prep.** Enrolment confirmation is subject to payment of the confirmation fee. Your enrolment process is complete when the enrolment confirmation fee has been received.

The Enrolment Confirmation Fee covers the administration costs associated with processing your child's application. This involves registering and reviewing your child's documents, organising and holding interviews with the Class Teachers and School Principal, evaluation of your child's needs and the suitability of the school to your child. This also covers the annual preparation and submission of student data to the government so that we can receive funding and keep the tuition fees at a reasonable level to be able to provide your child with a quality education and resources.

## Tuition Fees & Levies

2025 LEVIES – Kindergarten – Class 12	
Building Levy	\$780 per family per year
Steiner Education Australia Levy	\$67.50 per student

2025 FEES – Prep – Class 12		
Year Group	Tuition Fee per Year	Tuition Fee per Term
Prep – Year 2	\$8,148	\$2,037
Year 3 - 5	\$8,778	\$2,195
Year 6 - 7	\$9,248	\$2,312
High School (Year 8 – 12)	\$10,558	\$2,640

2025 FEES – Kindergarten
Queensland Government Kindergarten Funding – Tuition fees for the Noosa Pengari Steiner School Kindergarten Program will be free for all families in 2024.

## Building Levy

The Building Levy is not subject to discount or refund. **The full levy will be charged to families that enrol at any time throughout the year.** This levy will not be refunded if you withdraw your enrolment from the school at any time during the year. The Building Levy assists in the construction, renovation, extension and maintenance of buildings and other educational facilities and equipment (e.g., desks, library, technology), which are essential to enable the provision of quality education. These funds form an integral component of the School's Budget and Financial operations. The levy is charged once per family each year regardless of when the family enrolls throughout the year.

## Steiner Education Australia Levy

Steiner Education Australia is the peak body for Australian Steiner schools and advocate, promote, support and represent member schools Australia-wide. The SEA Levy is charged per child and is not subject to discount or refund. The full levy applies to students enrolled at any time during the year.

## Tuition Fees

Tuition fees include tuition for the compulsory primary instrumental music program from Class 3 to Class 7, most camps, swimming classes, and an allowance for general classroom materials.

The tuition fee does not cover items such as musical instruments, pencil boxes, clothes, hats, lunches, or instrument hire. Note that recorders are purchased for students in Class 1 and used for the duration of primary schooling. The charge for this will be added to accounts during the year. In exceptional circumstances, the costs of excursions, camps and transport are charged out at cost on a user pays basis.

The Building Levy and SEA Levy fees are charged annually at the beginning of the school year.

## Kindergarten

All Kindergarten families will receive tuition fee-free kindergarten covering the 600 hours of program the kindergarten delivers.

## Co-Curricular Music

Enrolment in co-curricular music is via a separate Agreement Form.

## Music Lessons

Students in Classes 6 and 7 may enrol in one additional co-curricular private or small group music lesson, beyond the compulsory primary instrumental music program.

- Additional Instrument - \$420/semester (half year)

Students in Classes 8 to 12 may enrol in co-curricular private or small group music lessons, beyond the compulsory secondary ensemble music program.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Instrument - \$315/semester (half year)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Instrument - \$420/semester (half year)

Co-curricular music lessons will be charged to accounts twice per year in Term 1 and Term 3.

## Instrument Hire

Students may hire instruments through the school. Hire fees range from \$65 - \$155 per semester (half year) depending on the instrument type. Instrument hire will be charged to accounts twice per year in Term 1 and Term 3.

## Extension/After-School Ensembles

Students in Classes 8 to 12 may be invited to enrol in extension / after school ensembles. Ensemble fees are \$210/semester and will be charged to accounts twice per year in Term 1 and Term 3.

## Methods of Payment

### Option 1: Annual Payment

School fees paid as an annual payment in full by **Friday 17 January 2025** will be eligible for a 4% discount on tuition fees.

### Option 2: Direct Debit Payment

Weekly payments will be spread over 44 weeks, starting by Friday 24 January 2025 and ending by Friday 28 November.

Fortnightly payments will be spread over 22 fortnights, starting by Friday 24 January 2025 and ending by Friday 28 November

Monthly payments will be spread over 10 months, starting by Friday 24 January 2025 and ending by Friday 28 November.

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Quarterly payments will be spread over the 4 terms, charged on the Friday preceding the first day of each term.

It is important to contact the school Finance Department to discuss an alternate payment plan if you are unable to pay your fees by the due date, [finance@noosasteiner.qld.edu.au](mailto:finance@noosasteiner.qld.edu.au)

**Please note: It is the parent's responsibility to set-up regular payment plans via direct debit with the school.**

Any additional charges for music, school bus travel or other miscellaneous items are payable upon invoicing, and they are in addition to any regular direct debit set up.

Any alternative payment plans must be negotiated and agreed with the school.

Bank charges incurred by the school for payments declined by the bank may be invoiced in your next statement.

Accepted Credit cards are Mastercard and VISA, this payment method will incur a bank surcharge fee (currently 0.788%).

## Late Payment

The school cannot provide education to students where fees and levies remain unpaid. Unless prior arrangements are made with the school, fees that are overdue will incur late payment charges of \$100.00 (plus GST) per month from the date payment is due until fees are paid. The school may terminate the enrolment of a student if school fees remain unpaid at the end of a term for which the fees are due. Fees outstanding after a student's enrolment ends for any reason will be referred to a debt collection agency. **Communication with the office is vital, if you are having difficulties paying your account by the date the finance office must be contacted.**

## Sibling Discounts

While the costs of educating students remain the same, the school recognises that school fees can be more difficult for larger families. Fee concessions are offered to families with more than one child. The eldest child in the family who is enrolled at the school is considered the first child in every case and discounts apply in order of the first to the last child.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> child 10%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> child 20%
- 4<sup>th</sup> and subsequent children 30%

## Absence during a Census Period

Any intended extended student absence must be requested in writing from the person responsible for the payment of school fees and addressed to the Principal. If a student is absent during a Census reference period and this results in the school losing Government funding, you may be billed for loss of funds. Please contact the Finance Office for further information.

## Financial Assistance

A limited amount of concessional financial assistance may be available for families in short-term financial difficulty. Please contact the Business Manager or Principal to find out more.

## Early Withdrawal from School

Ten (10) school-term weeks' notice, in writing, from the person responsible for the payment of school fees and addressed to the Principal is required for the intended withdrawal of a student from school. **Full fees are payable in lieu** if this notice is not provided.

## Community Participation

Families who enrol at the Noosa Pengari Steiner School are asked to make a commitment to the school community by attending working bees and assisting at the annual Pengari Children's Festival. Your involvement is truly invaluable to the school and the students (as well as fun).

## Fees Variation

It is the intention of the School Board that the fee levels set prior to the start of each school year will remain in force for the whole of the year. However, the right is reserved to change the level of fees during the year, if factors outside the control of the School Board impact significantly upon the cost of operating the school.

## School Account Details

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Account Name:	<b>NOOSA PENGARI STEINER SCHOOL ASSN INC</b>
BSB Number:	<b>034 219</b>
With the (Bank)	<b>WESTPAC</b>
Account Number:	<b>303 431</b>
Description / Reference:	<b>[Surname / TASS Parent Code] School Fees/Donation etc</b>

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## For International Transactions

To receive an International Transfer in AUD funds to a Beneficiary Account held with Westpac Bank Limited, please quote the following Banking details.

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Currency:	<b>Australian Dollars (AUD)</b>
Correspondent Bank:	<b>Westpac Banking Corporation</b>
Swift code:	<b>WPACAU2S</b>
BSB:	<b>034 219</b>
Account Name:	<b>Noosa Pengari Steiner School Assn Inc</b>
Account Number:	<b>303 431</b>
Description/ Reference:	<b>[Surname / TASS Parent Code] School Fees/Donation etc</b>

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