



OATLANDS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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COMPULSORY ANNUAL SCHOOL FEES FOR 2021

The school fees have been approved by parents at the AGM of the School's Governing Body which was held in the School Hall on Wednesday, 11 November 2020.

Please take note of the following:

School fees are payable annually in advance. However, should you be unable to settle the fees in full in January, you may pay the fees in equal instalments over **11 months from 1 January to 1 November 2021**. However, if the account falls into arrears, the full annual school fee becomes due & payable.

Grade	SCHOOL FEES		AFTERCARE FEES	
	Annual fee	Monthly payment option over 11 mths January - November	Annual fee	Monthly payment option over 11 mths January - November
R	R18,150	R1,650 p.m.	R7,590	R690 p.m.
1 – 2	R17,050	R1,550 p.m.	R7,590	R690 p.m.
3	R17,050	R1,550 p.m.	R6,930	R630 p.m.
4 – 7	R17,820	R1,620 p.m.	R6,930	R630 p.m.

Discount for early settlement

A discount of 5% will be given to parents who pay the annual school fees in full by 28 February 2021.

Fee payment

For security reasons, we do not accept cash payments at the school. Fees are to be paid into the school's bank account number 62 010 333 128 at First National Bank, Grahamstown, using your account code or your child's first

name and surname as the reference.

It is essential that your deposit reflects the correct reference to ensure the allocation of your payment to your account. Please do not use the invoice number as a reference.

The following costs are not included in the school fees:

All personal items of uniform and sports kit; All personal items of LTSM not provided by the Education Department, i.e. stationery, dictionaries, etc.; Voluntary excursions, plays, tours, festivals and competitions; Compulsory camps; Entry fees for Eisteddfods, Olympiads, etc.; Grade 7 Leavers' Dinner.

Non-payment of fees

In terms of Section 39 of the South African Schools Act, the biological parents/legal guardians have a legal obligation to pay school fees. The Act does not distinguish between a married, divorced or single parent and both parents are jointly and severally liable for the payment of fees. A learner only has a single parent when one of the biological parents is deceased, not when there has been a divorce or no marriage between the parents. In terms of Section 40 of the Act, the School Governing Body may enforce the payment of school fees by taking legal action.

Fee exemption (excluding Grade R)

The school adopts and implements the exemption regulations as gazetted by the government, taking into consideration the income of both parents, irrespective of whether they are married, divorced or unmarried.

- A parent who wishes to be exempted from the payment of school fees shall apply annually in writing by completing the relevant application form provided by the school and returning the form to the school within 7 working days.
- The parent shall attend an interview with the Exemptions Committee
- The Exemptions Committee will evaluate each application by applying the relevant legislation and regulations.
- Applicants will be informed in writing of the outcome of their application within 30 days of the parent lodging the application, provided that all the relevant documentation was submitted with the application.

No exemption is available on aftercare fees and non-payment of aftercare fees will result in the child not being allowed to attend.