4 November 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Tuition Fees and Levies for 2017**

Santa Maria College is committed to providing a contemporary learning environment that will support and enhance a holistic education where faith, wellbeing and learning for each student becomes an integrated experience with the aim to develop strong, independent and compassionate young women.

The Santa Maria College Board determines the Tuition Fees by taking into account this goal as well as the socio-economic status of the families of the College, the educational consumer price index, increases in staff salaries and on-costs, curriculum initiatives and building programs.

Following a consideration of these factors, the Santa Maria College Board has set the Tuition Fees for 2017 at $6,235 per annum. This represents an increase of 4.5% ($270 increase) from the 2016 Tuition Fees. The Resource Levy is $620 for Years 7 to 10 to assist with the leasing of the laptops and other resources. The Capital Levy remains at $625 per family for the 2017 year and this assists the College with loan repayments for the Benedictine Centre and other capital expenditure requirements.

We have enclosed the “2017 Fee Schedule” and “2017 Payment Schedule” for your information. We encourage you to read these documents as they outline your obligations and expectations in relation to the payment of fees and levies.

If you have any queries in relation to this material, please contact the Business Office on 9489 7644 or visit [www.santamaria.vic.edu.au](http://www.santamaria.vic.edu.au) and click on the Fees and Payments heading.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

Deborah M Barker
Principal

Encl:

Ms Fiona Leahy
Chair of Board