



6 December 2024

Trinity School charges for 2025

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Account Payers,

After careful consideration, the Rathkeale College School Board and the Trinity Schools Trust Board wish to inform you of an upcoming 5% increase in Boarding Fees, Tuition Donations and Tuition Facilities Donations for 2025. The increase is in response to the costs associated with providing high quality boarding facilities and education to our students.

The Ministry of Education allows Rathkeale College to charge Attendance Dues up to \$2,127.50 per child per annum, and these will remain unchanged in 2025.

The increase in donations is essential to ensure that we can continue to offer the best possible educational experience for our students. This includes maintaining our low teacher to student ratios, making provision for resources which enable us to provide a modern educational experience, and supporting extracurricular and pastoral activities. These donations enable us to be the special character schools that enhance our students experience to become their best self.

The 2025 schedule of school charges is attached to this letter, which provides a detailed breakdown of these charges. Understanding these is important, and we encourage you to familiarise yourselves with the details.

Your ongoing support and contribution to our school learning environment is deeply appreciated. We look forward to continuing to serve you next year and thank you for your commitment to the success and vibrancy of Rathkeale College.

Yours sincerely,

Cath Archer
Chief Executive Officer
Trinity Schools Trust Board

Mark Owen
Presiding Member
Rathkeale College School Board



RATHKEALE COLLEGE

2025 SCHOOL CHARGES (including GST)

It is important to note:

- School charges will be invoiced monthly over ten months from January to October 2025.
- Tax Credit - Tuition Donations and Tuition Facilities Donations paid entitle many account payers to a 33.33% tax credit. All account payers will receive an annual donation receipt for these payments.
- Disbursements - it is important to note that these charges are applied where choices are made relevant to certain courses, specific purchases, sports fees etc. The school endeavours to advise parents of these costs in advance and are very conscious these are at a minimum cost. There are only certain items that can be passed on through disbursements, e.g. uniforms cannot be disbursed.

This schedule details the payments due to or requested by Rathkeale College

Monthly Amounts Over a 10 Month Period

	Boarding Fees	Attendance Dues	Tuition/Tuition Facilities Donations*	Monthly Total	Annual Total	Annual Total After Tax Credit**
Dayboys						
Yr 7 - 11		\$212.75	\$703	\$915.75	\$9,157.50	\$6,814.40
Yr 12 & 13		\$212.75	\$751	\$963.75	\$9,637.50	\$7,134.42
Boarders						
Yr 7 - 11	\$1,685	\$212.75	\$703	\$2,600.75	\$26,007.50	\$23,664.40
Yr 12 & 13	\$1,685	\$212.75	\$751	\$2,648.75	\$26,487.50	\$23,984.42

Part-time Boarders*

	Per Night	2 Nights	Per Year 2 Nights
Permanent Part-Time	\$103	\$207	\$7,866
Casual Rate	\$116		

* Part-time places are only available if the boarding house has places available. These fees do not include lunches, Attendance Dues, or Donations which are added to the amounts shown.

* The donations (itemised on the monthly accounts) include:

- Tuition Donations - these allow the School Board to operate the school in accordance with the goals and objectives of a high-quality education at Rathkeale College. These are required for the provision of wider educational, recreational, and cultural opportunities. They provide the ability to keep class sizes small, sought by our community as a feature of the school, which Government funding does not provide for
- Tuition Facility Donations - these provide funding to the Board of Proprietors for the school's Special Character and keeping facilities at a high quality and supporting cultural and sporting opportunities.

** The Tuition Donations and Tuition Facilities Donations above may subsequently entitle the fee payer to a 33.33% tax credit where the fee payer meets the Inland Revenue qualification criteria.

The school charges and the boarding fees are invoiced monthly (over a ten-month period) and payment is due on the 20th of the month following. Interest may be charged where legally permitted on all overdue accounts. Parents, caregivers and account payers are required to pay any collection recovery expenses incurred.

OTHER CHARGES

School Lunches

Charges for day boys who partake in school lunches are invoiced monthly at \$10.45 per school day.

Services & Activity Donation

A services and activity donation (\$506 per annum) is sought to cover costs incurred by the school including transport for cultural, sporting and recreational trips within the Wairarapa and Chapel Resources. This is invoiced monthly.

Disbursements

Expenses incurred on behalf of students, including cost allocations for consumable items, sporting, cultural, and approved personal purchases, will be charged in the month they occur.

Fee Protection Scheme

The Trinity Schools Trust Board operates a Fees Protection Scheme for parents. This optional scheme is funded by a levy of 1.3% applied to the Tuition / Tuition Facility Donations, Attendance Dues and Boarding Fees. The terms and conditions of the scheme will be forwarded to those who take up this cover. Charges are invoiced on a quarterly basis.

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL CHARGES

A number of the charges in this schedule are classified as donations and as such a tax credit (being a third of the donations paid) may be claimed from Inland Revenue. To allow parents to claim this tax credit, an annual letter is sent out detailing the donations paid.