

STIRLING HIGH SCHOOL

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL'S GOVERNING BODY

Dear Parents

DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL FEES FOR 2025 AND SCHOOL FEE EXEMPTIONS

At a meeting of parents held on Wednesday, 6 November 2024, and called in terms of Section 38(2) of the South African Schools Act, No. 84 of 1996, parents met (after a quorum was not met at the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 24 October 2024) to make important decisions for 2025 with regard to the school's budget for 2025 and the school fee for 2025. Regulations pertaining to school fee exemptions to be given to parents, in the form of partial or complete exemption from the payment of school fees, were promulgated by the state at the end of 2006 and are applicable to all schools. These have been applied by Stirling since they were introduced.

I am happy to report that, once again, Stirling will end the year with no carry-over debts from previous years. The fee that parents pay will be used for costs of the 2025 school year.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES BY DEBIT ORDER

The debit order system for the payment of school fees has run very successfully since 1999.

A debit order application form is attached and I urge all parents to make use of this most convenient form of payment. It is also the safest means of payment as cash does not have to be transported.

Parents who have previously signed a Debit Order form are not required to sign a new form. This is because the form makes provision for fees to be adjusted in succeeding years. I suggest that the completed debit order forms be handed in at the school's office, before the end of January 2025.

TEXT BOOKS, WORK BOOKS AND STATIONERY

The school fee does not include the provision of text books, work books and stationery. However, on the advance payment of seven hundred and fifty rand (R750) (the initial payment in the school fee structure on page 2) the school will lend text books to pupils for the year, provide required notes and work material and will give to pupils the stationery supplies that are normally issued at the commencement of the year. Stationery issued is limited to paper products such as exercise books.

SCHOOL FEE EXEMPTIONS

School fee exemption applications will be available at the school office from the commencement of the new year. Applications should be returned to the school by no later than the end of term 2 of 2025. Parents who were granted an exemption in 2024 are required to apply again in 2025 if necessary, as an application is only valid for one year.

Parents who apply for an exemption in school fees are also encouraged to make use of the debit order as the amount to be paid will be adjusted should an exemption be applied for and granted.

Parents remain responsible for the full school fee until they have been notified of an exemption.

SCHOOL FEES - 2025

The school fee for 2025 is R39 270.00 for one child at Stirling High School and R78 540.00 for a family of two or more children from the same family attending Stirling High School if the fee is not paid by debit order.

PAYMENT STRUCTURE

Fees are due and payable at the commencement of the year. However, payments may be made on a monthly or quarterly basis in advance. This is best illustrated as follows:

SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE 2025

	Annual Fee	Monthly	Quarterly
Total Book O. Chatian and Laur Bon Child	D750		(end of Feb, April, July, Oct)
Text Book & Stationery Levy Per Child	R750		
(Payable in advance)	500.070 / 1:11)	40 111 1 1	D0.047.50 / Lill IV
School Fee for 2025	R39 270 (one child)	10 monthly instalments	R9 817,50 (one child)
(other forms of payment, including Credit	R78 540 (two children)	R3 927 (one child)	R19 635,00 (two children)
Card)		R7 854 (two children)	
		February to November	
EFT and Credit Card payments are		11 monthly instalments	
preferred to cash payments.		R3 570 (one child)	
		R7 140 (two children)	
		January to November	
School Fees paid by <u>Debit Order</u>		10 monthly instalments	R9 776,25 (one child)
(Preferable method of payment)		R3 910,50 (one child)	R19 552,50 (two children)
		R7 821 (two children)	
Stirling High School offers two debit order		February to November	
dates, being the 20 th and month end. In		11 monthly instalments	
the event of these days falling on a Sunday		R3 555 (one child)	
or Public Holiday, the debit order will be		R7 110 (two children)	
processed on the following business day.		January to November	
Payment of the full fee for the year by	R37 300 (one child)		
28 February 2025	R74 600 (two children)		
In the case of three children, the second and third child will each receive a 50% discount.			
BOSHOFF HOUSE FEES:			
TERMLY BOARDERS: R16 650 per term			
WEEKLY BOARDERS: R14 470 per term			

Should you have any queries regarding the Fee Structure of Stirling High School, please contact the school office on 043 735 1444.

PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC TRANSFER

If fees are paid by electronic transfer, then please ensure that you record the name and grade of your child on the reference received by the school. The school's banking details are as follows:

Bank: First National Bank Branch: Vincent Park Name of Account: Stirling High School Branch Code: 211021

Account Number: 52132857891

ARREAR SCHOOL FEES FOR 2024

Parents whose fees for 2024 are still in arrears are urged to settle their account before the end of January 2025. Thereafter any arrear fees not yet handed over to the school's attorneys for collection will be handed over. This is in terms of an instruction of the parents who attended the school fees meeting. Payments may also be made directly into the school's banking account. Please ensure that you record the name of your child on the reference sent to the school so that you may be identified as the depositor of the amount.

BEST WISHES

I extend warm good wishes for a happy holiday to all our school families.

Yours sincerely

ANDREW WISEMAN
GOVERNING BODY CHAIRPERSON