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Our Lady of
Mercy College

Year 7 2023 Parent Resources

Orientation Day - Friday, 25 November 2022



Embracing Life | Nurturing Faith | Inspiring Learning

At Our Lady of Mercy College, we work really hard to make new families feel welcome. We hope that the following information will assist you and your child to make a smooth transition to our College.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is our pleasure to welcome your child as a member of our community at Our Lady of Mercy College.

As they begin their journey, our prime focus is to ensure that your child's transition is as smooth as possible. Our immediate goal is to assist each child in feeling welcomed and comfortable at our College.



We hold strongly to the view that the success of every student is important.

New students who commence at the College need time to become familiar with the routines and processes of their new environment. Our teachers understand this and will do everything they can to assist them. Most students feel reasonably well-settled after the first three weeks of school.

Parents can assist their child during this transition period by helping them to appreciate that a degree of anxiousness or uncertainty is normal.

The College provides each child with an array of opportunities developed to assist them in creating a perspective of life that is rich in personal values.

Our learning environment is designed to support a contemporary, flexible and dynamic approach to learning that promotes the entrepreneurial skills of collaboration, communication, critical thinking, problem solving and leadership.

There are many opportunities for your child to engage in a variety of spiritual, sporting, cultural, leadership and personal development programs.

These experiences, combined with an outstanding academic curriculum, make Our Lady of Mercy College an ideal school to assist your child to become the best they can be.

I look forward to working with you and your child as they transition into the next stage of their educational development.

Regards,

Rob Crothers

Rob Crothers
Principal

The Head of Year 7 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

My name is Jarrad Pisano, and I will be your child's Head of Year for Year 7 in 2023. I look forward to welcoming and supporting your child as they commence their secondary school journey at Our Lady of Mercy College.

Being a new staff member of the College community myself, I look forward to sharing the journey of Embracing Life, Nurturing Faith and Inspiring Learning with the Year 7 cohort in 2023.

As the Head of Year 7, it is my role to foster a connected, supportive community that promotes a safe learning culture. I understand the challenges associated with transitioning to secondary school, and I will aim to promote a caring and compassionate environment that inspires resilience through adversity.



I look forward to getting to know each student and working with you to enhance their school experience.

At Our Lady of Mercy College, a student-centred approach to teaching and learning ensures the development of the whole child. I am honoured to be working closely with the Pastoral Care Team. Together, we are dedicated to cultivating a community where all students are challenged, engaged and given a chance to grow and develop as individuals in all aspects of their life.

The College value for 2023 is 'Respect'. I believe this College value is appropriate for our Year 7s of 2023, as it lays the foundation of what it means to be a good citizen. No matter what emotions we feel, from excitement to apprehension, we must always align our actions to our value of respect. In doing this, we can positively contribute to a safe and caring learning environment.

The transition to secondary school is a big deal, not only for students but also for parents and guardians. It is often a time of celebration and excitement, however, it can also be worrying and stressful as students adapt to their new environment. Our Lady of Mercy College appreciates the challenges associated with the transition process, and we will be with you every step of the way. A partnership between parent, student and the school is vital to ensure the wellbeing of your child is always considered, ultimately enhancing their opportunities to learn.

I am looking forward to the commencement of our journey together.

Kind regards,

Mr Jarrad Pisano
Head of Year 7, 2023

The Three College Pillars

To assist your child to become the best they can be, the College's learning environment has been designed around the three College Pillars of:

Embracing Life | Nurturing Faith | Inspiring Learning

Embracing Life

The first pillar of 'Embracing Life' encourages our students to become the best person they can be and to build healthy relationships with others. By facing the challenges which are part of life with a positive outlook, our young people can move with purpose towards achieving their goals. At Our Lady of Mercy College, support for student wellbeing is developed through a growth mindset that uses a 'strengths-based' approach. Helping students to know their strengths, and how to use them in working through challenges, assists them in developing greater resilience. The College's proactive approach to wellbeing is seen as an essential step in helping students to maximise their opportunities.

Nurturing Faith

To support the Religious Education program, Our Lady of Mercy College has adopted the Mercy Educational Values of Respect, Compassion, Justice, Courage, Service and Hospitality. Students are encouraged to integrate these values into all aspects of their lives. The Christian Service Learning programs in Years 7 – 10 provide focussed home and community-based activities which further develop these values. Students further nurture their spirituality by attending an annual retreat with their year group. They regularly participate in school and class liturgies and celebrate House and College Feast Days alongside other important Catholic days.

Inspiring Learning

We want to develop learners who can thrive in turbulent and complex times, apply critical thinking to new situations and change the world by developing solutions to local and global issues.

At the heart of student learning are six global competencies which describe the skills and attributes needed for learners to flourish as citizens of the world. Often referred to as the '6 Cs', these global competencies are identified as Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Critical Thinking.

Deep learning occurs when we use these competencies to engage in issues and tasks of value to students and the world. This deep learning focus will ensure that Mercy students are well placed to successfully engage in an ever-changing local and global work environment.

All students attending Our Lady of Mercy College undertake courses in Religious Education. In addition to the core learning areas of English, Maths, Science, Religion and Humanities, Year 7 students engage in a broad rotation of elective courses. This approach is designed to give students experience in new learning areas and provide them with opportunities to identify subjects which appeal to both their strengths and interests. Throughout Years 7 – 12, the College provides a wide range of courses which span the following nine Learning Areas:

- Arts
- English
- Health and Physical Education
- Humanities
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Religious Education
- Science
- Technology.

Student Wellbeing



Student Wellbeing

The wellbeing of each student is the particular responsibility of the Head of Year and their team. As an additional support service, the College also employs two school counsellors. Their role is to provide mental health services to students, ensuring that they have access to the support required to facilitate success in their education. The counsellor also provides support to parents, caregivers and staff through provision of information, education and meetings.

Learning Support Programs

We support all students in their learning to help them to achieve their full potential. In particular, our learning support team works closely with students, families and teachers to develop and deliver individual learning plans for students with learning difficulties and disabilities.

Students who require literacy support will be identified through consultation with Primary Schools and analysis of Progressive Achievement Testing results. These tests are conducted at the beginning of the school year.

The College will make contact with you, should your child be recommended for the Learning Support Program.

Students with Disabilities

Most information concerning disabilities is requested and provided throughout the enrolment process. In the case of a new or recent diagnosis, parents/guardians are asked to provide a complete copy of the diagnosis documents to the College.

The Learning Support Coordinator will meet regularly with parents/guardians of students with disabilities to advise of their child's progress. These meetings will involve the ongoing development and review of individualised plans designed to support learning and inclusion.

First Day of School FAQs

When is the first day of school?

The new school year will commence on Wednesday, 1 February 2023.

What time will school start?

The school day will begin with Pastoral Care Group at 8.25am. Students should arrive by 8.20am and make their way to the Xavier Read Gymnasium,

What time will school finish?

The school day will end at 3.00pm. For the first week of school, the Year 7 students will be let out of class at 2.50pm to ensure they have enough time to get to their designated pick-up area.

Where should I drop-off/pick-up my child on the first day of school?

Student drop-off is located on the Ring road (entrance on Leisure Drive). Please ensure you do not get out of your car in the Student Drop-off as this will disrupt the flow of traffic along the Ring road.

Whilst commencing secondary schooling can generate some anxiety, we encourage our parents to drop the students off and allow them to enter the College with their friends. There will be staff waiting to meet your child on their arrival and direct them to the Year 7 building.

What do I do if my child is catching the bus?

If your child is catching a bus, they will be dropped off at the front entrance of the College on Kingston Drive. There will be staff waiting to meet your child and direct them to the Xavier Read Gymnasium.

Students utilising the TransBunbury service can order a Smartrider Card to access the concession fare. To apply, visit www.monitorwa.com.au/smartrider. To check what services are available to you please go to Transregional.wa.gov.au or call the Transperth info line on 13 62 13. If you are still not sure, please feel free to call your local Bus depot on 9796 9500

Students who are living outside of the TransBunbury area are able to register with School Bus Services (SBS) online, at www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au, click on the 'Apply Now' section.

School Bus Services (SBS) have commenced planning for the 2023 school year and are already experiencing an increasing volume of Transport Assistance Applications. SBS have communicated that applications need to be submitted by Wednesday, 30 November 2022 in order to save a seat for 2023. Any applications received after this date may be delayed, which will affect getting onto a bus in time for the commencement of Term 1, 2023.

If you have any further queries, please phone School Bus Services (SBS) on (08) 9326 2625.

What to wear?

On the first day of school, your child should come dressed in their formal College uniform. Please ensure your child brings a hat to school.

What to bring?

Your child should bring a school bag with a fully stocked pencil case, file paper or a notebook.

It is advisable that your child brings booklist items to school throughout the first week so that these items can be placed in their personal locker, ready for their subjects. Teachers are aware that not all students will have their books on the first day of school. The first day of school is ideally for students to settle into life at the College. Students are required to have all of the booklist items in their locker by the end of the week.

First Day of School FAQs

What does my child need for recess and lunch?

Your child will be able to bring a packed recess and lunch or order food from the College Café on the first day of school. Your child should bring a filled water bottle. This water bottle can be taken to class and refilled at a drink station.

Students will be able to choose an area in the Year 7 courtyard to sit and eat. Once students have finished eating, they are able to collect sports equipment from the Head of Year Office to use on the ovals or courts.

Students must bring a hat to school on the first day. If your child does not have a hat, they will need to remain in the shade for recess and lunch.

What Will the First Day Look Like?

The main focus of the first day for our Year 7s at Our Lady of Mercy College is to allow the students to settle in and become familiar with life at their new school. The day allows for the Year 7 students to get to know their way around the College, get to know their teachers and to get to know their peers.

On the first day of school, only Year 7 and 12 students will be on campus so that the Year 7s can feel more comfortable in their transition to secondary school. Our Vertical Pastoral Care Groups (PCG) provide the opportunity for the Year 7 students to ask any questions about their first day to the Year 12 students. This staggered start provides time to ensure all the new students are feeling safe and secure, understand the secondary schooling timetable and are familiar with the environment.

On Wednesday, 1 February 2023, students will need to make their way to the Xavier Read Gymnasium where the Head of Year will meet them. Staff and PCG teachers will be around to assist with directions. Students will have a Year 7 assembly and will then be told which PCG they will be in. Students will then move to PCG and will receive a printout of their timetables, planners, lockers and locks.

Day One Schedule - Wednesday, 1 February 2023

8.30am – 9.35am	PCG. Students will get to know their PCG, set up their lockers and organise their school planners and timetables.
9.35am - 10.25am	House activities
10.35am – 11.05am	Recess
11.05am – 1.25pm	Attend Period 3, 4 and 5 classes as indicated on their timetable – Students will need a fully stocked pencil case.
1.25pm – 2.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm – 2.50pm	PCG. Students have the opportunity to talk about their first day with other students in their PCG. They can then pack up for the day.
2.50pm – 3.00pm	Students move to designated pick up area (either student or bus pick up).

Day Two Schedule - Thursday, 2 February 2023

8.30am – 9.25am	PCG
9.25am – 3.00pm	Students will follow their timetable attending all classes; Period 1 to Period 6.

College Information

School times

School starts at 8.25am and concludes at 3.00pm, Monday to Friday during school terms.

Bell Times

STANDARD TIMETABLE	
8.25 am	Bell
8.30 am	Pastoral Care Group
8.45 am	Period 1
9.35 am	Period 2
10.25 am	Recess
10.50 am	Bell
10.55 am	Period 3
11.45 am	Period 4
12.35 pm	Period 5
1.25 pm	Lunch
2.00 pm	Bell
2.05 pm	Period 6
3.00 pm	Dismissed

What happens if your child is late/does not come to school

When a student is absent from school, it is required that on the day of the absence, a parent contacts the College before 9.30 am. A medical certificate is required if a student is absent for a period of more than three consecutive days. Contact to the College may be made by:

SMS: 0481 883 568

Phone: (08) 9720 3300, Option 2

Email: admin@olmca.wa.edu.au

If your child does not arrive by the time PCG begins at 8.25am, they will need to go to 'Administration' to sign in so that the College is aware that they have arrived. It is important to know which students we have present at the College in the event of an emergency.

Booklist

Booklists for each year group will be posted on the College website. Each family is supplied with information detailing the process of ordering subject books prior to the student commencing at the College. A copy of the Year 7 2023 booklist is included in the Orientation Day information pack.

Secondhand bookstore

The Uniform Shop will run a second-hand book shop in December 2022: Details will be communicated to families in due course.

College Information

Activity Days

Year 7 students will take part in activity days in Term 1, Week 2. The activity days form an important transition process and provide opportunities for students to develop peer relationships within their year group. These activities are designed to further develop their self-awareness, personal development, team building, problem solving and environmental awareness. All water activities take place in sheltered waters.

Adventure Works have been employed to act as facilitators for the activities on Thursday, 9 February 2023 and Friday, 10 February 2023. Their staff are equipped with Senior First Aid and Bronze Medallions.

These days form part of the Year 7 learning program and student participation is expected. More information regarding the activity days will be given out at the start of the school year in 2023.

Communications

The College uses the following tools to ensure clear communication with parents and guardians:

1. **SEQTA Direqt messaging** - This is the main communication tool for students and families to connect with teachers and staff. Information on SEQTA logins will be distributed at the start of the 2023 school year.
2. **Email/Letters** - Important updates from our principal will be sent to you via email.
3. **SMS** - The College uses a phone SMS system to send out short important reminders or urgent alerts. Parents can also use SMS to advise the College of absences on 0481 883 568.
4. **Phone** - (08) 9720 3300
5. **Website** - <https://www.olmca.wa.edu.au> - Our website is being updated progressively. Families are encouraged to use the College website as a reference for important information, relating to e.g. the Uniform Shop, Student Calendar, Term Dates, Mercy Stories & Mercy Snapshot.
6. **Mercy Snapshot** (on our website) provides an easy access to key information.
7. **Mercy Stories** (on our website) invites you to discover your child's learning journey and life forming experiences.
8. **Facebook** www.facebook.com/olmcaustralind: This is the official College Facebook page. The College uses this page as a Social Communications tool. Please follow and like our page. It is a great way to connect with us and see some action snaps of your child. Please do not rely on this channel for important reminders. Important College information and reminders will be sent out via SEQTA, email and or SMS. Please note that there is also an independent community Facebook page. This page is not run by the College. The main purpose of this page is to provide a platform for families to sell second-hand uniform and book sales.

Laptops

Our Lady of Mercy College has chosen to provide laptops to students, so the learning environment is equitable. To ensure that all students have access to a quality laptop, excellent technical support and the required software, the College provides all students with a designated device.

Students in Year 7 will receive their laptops within the first three weeks of Term 1, provided a signed device agreement has been received. Students must read and adhere to the Code of Conduct for Students (on our website) as they are responsible for their actions when using Information Communication Technology. Please note that these devices will be returned to the College at the commencement of Year 10, when they will be issued with a new device.

The Information Communication Technology levy covers software, hardware, ongoing maintenance, licenses and insurance. The College does its utmost to ensure the costs borne by parents are minimal, yet effective, efficient and productive. Should the student leave the College at any time prior to the completion of Year 12, the device and all its ancillary items will need to be returned to the College for use by other students.

College Information

Electives

Your child will have the opportunity to take part in two elective classes per term. This way they get to experience as many electives as possible before they choose Electives in Year 8. The electives for Term 1 are allocated and given to students on the first day of school and will be on the timetable they receive in their Pastoral Care Group.

Healthcare

If your child becomes unwell at school, the College offers a sickbay in Administration for students to attend and be monitored. A parent will be contacted if your child is too unwell to stay at school.

If your child is feeling unwell before the start of the school day, the College asks that they do not attend school. Please contact the College office to inform the school of your child's absence by **SMS:** 0481 883 568, **Phone:** (08) 9720 3300, Option 2 or **Email:** admin@olmca.wa.edu.au

Please ensure that the College has updated medical information for your child, and is aware of any medications they need to take.

The College will only administer analgesics, such as paracetamol, with parent consent prior to use on each occasion. The College is unable to supply or administer any other medication unless previously arranged with written consent by a parent/guardian.

Instrumental Music at Our Lady of Mercy College



The Instrumental Music Program offers a wide selection of instruments for students to learn and play. These include, but are not limited to:

Flute	Alto Saxophone	Clarinet
Tenor Saxophone	Electric Guitar	Trumpet
Bass Guitar	Trombone	Acoustic Guitar
Voice	Drum	Piano/Keyboard
Percussion	Violin/Viola	

Instruments are available to hire through the school (subject to availability).

Students are also able to join a number of ensembles;
Guitar ensemble, Percussion ensemble, Wind ensemble and Vocal ensemble.

For more information or to register an interest in the music program, please contact Academic Services, via email olmca.academicservices@cewa.edu.au or via phone (08) 9720 3300.

College Information

IT Help Desk

Our IT Help Desk is located in the Ursula Frayne building. Opening hours for both parents and students are Monday to Friday 8.00am – 4.00pm.

IT assistance can be requested through the following options:

- 1 - Log a ticket via email: ithelpdesk@olmca.wa.edu.au
The IT team will attend to your request as soon as they can.
- 2 - In person, at the Help Desk in the Ursula Frayne building.
- 3 - Students can also connect with the IT Help Desk on Microsoft Teams: OLMC – Helpdesk Team
- 4 - By phone: (08) 9720 3300

Library

The Library, also known as the Learning Commons, is right at the centre of Our Lady of Mercy College. In fact, we call it the WARM HEART of Mercy because this is where students come to be challenged and excited, or simply relax. After ID cards have been provided, students can easily select and take out a book. There is always someone available to help students to find a book that they will enjoy.

The Library is open before PCG every morning, every lunchtime, and after school until 4.00pm.

Lockers

On the first day of school, your child will be given a locker to place their school books and personal belongings inside during the school day. If your child brings a personal device (e.g. mobile phone) to school, this device will need to be switched off and placed securely in the locker from the commencement of the schoolday until the end of the school day.

Each Year 7 student will receive a lock with a personalised lock code to ensure the safety of their belongings. Your child will have the opportunity to learn how to use the lock during PCG.

Personal Mobile Devices

The use of personal mobile devices is not permitted at the College between the hours of 8.25am and 3.00pm. The personal mobile devices need to be turned off and placed in personal lockers to ensure a productive learning environment. If parent contact is required, students must seek assistance from 'Student Services' in Administration, not use personal mobile devices.

School Fees

For information relating to school fees and payments of school fees, please refer to the pages at the back of this booklet.

Sport & Physical Education

Students will take part in Physical Education for two periods a week. Students will be able to change into PE uniform using the new Xavier Read Gymnasium changerooms and will come to school each day in the formal College uniform.

Students have the opportunity to participate in College Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals and represent their House. Parents are welcome to attend these events to support their child.

There are many opportunities for students to take part in team sports such as netball, football, volleyball, touchrugby, hockey and a variety of other sports. Students will have the opportunity to represent the College at the Lightning Carnival and ACC Carnival in Year 7. Once students move into Senior School, they are able to represent the College at Country Week.

College Information

Sports Program – Leadership and Performance Program

The LEAP program is available to students in Year 8 to Year 10 and provides a pathway to upper school Sports Science based subjects.

The Leadership and Performance Program is an academic and sport-based initiative aimed at students with an interest in health, sport and performance. The program provides talented and dedicated students with a pathway directed towards sport science, health and fitness.

Selection for the program is based on expression of interest and by invitation. Selection will be made annually by the Physical Education staff based not only on performance across sporting skill and game play but also on student attributes, sportsmanship, and dedication.

Uniform Shop and Uniform

The Uniform Shop is located in the Mercy Centre at 101 Leisure Drive, Australind. Vanessa, our Uniform Shop Coordinator, will help assist you with all of the uniform requirements and can be contacted via phone: (08) 9720 3324 (during opening hours) or via email: uniformshop@olmca.wa.edu.au. For current opening hours and the College Uniform Policy please visit the College website: <https://www.olmca.wa.edu.au/uniforms>



Vertical Pastoral Care Groups

At Our Lady of Mercy College, we seek to provide the very best pastoral care for our students. Our belief is that Vertical House Pastoral Care Groups (PCG) will better prepare and support the development of the whole child.

The Vertical House PCG system groups students from Years 7-12 into the various PCGs according to their House. In this setting, the mixed age PCG becomes much more like a smaller and intimate family unit whilst remaining part of a larger house family.

The key advantage of moving to Vertical House PCG is that it enables the College to look after our students better – academically, pastorally and spiritually – building on the emerging strength of our House System.



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Call
our Financial
Services Team
on (08) 9720 3300
to set up the
Mercy-Set-&-Forget
Direct Debit
early.

SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES 2023

APPLICATION FEE \$50

ENROLMENT ACCEPTANCE FEE \$400

The Enrolment Acceptance Fee will be refunded back to the Family School Fees account after your child commences at the College.

Families who wish to benefit from the HCC Discount Scheme are required to provide evidence of a means-tested HCC, PCC or Veteran Affairs card, which must be valid for the duration of the academic year in which the card is provided. The card-holder must complete a standard CEWA HCC Discount form available from the College office.

TUITION FEE	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
NON HCC Tuition	\$2970	\$2970	\$2970	\$2970	\$2970	\$2970
HCC Tuition	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500
NON HCC Curriculum Levies	\$980	\$980	\$980	\$980	\$980	\$980
HCC Curriculum Levies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

SIBLING DISCOUNT (HCC & NON HCC STUDENTS)	SECOND CHILD 20%	THIRD CHILD 40%	FOURTH AND SUBSEQUENT CHILDREN 100%

AMENITIES LEVY	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
Student Insurance	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30
IT Device	\$500	\$475	\$475	\$500	\$475	\$475
Year 7 Activity Program	\$220	-	-	-	-	-
Year 10 Adventure Camp	-	-	-	\$1,260 ^{*1}	-	-
Adventure Camp Deposit	\$300	\$300	\$300	(\$900) ^{*2}	-	-
Year 12 Retreat	-	-	-	-	-	\$315
Work Exposure Program	-	-	-	\$50	-	-
Total	\$1050	\$805	\$805	\$940	\$505	\$820

ELECTIVES (HCC & NON HCC STUDENTS)	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
Work Place Learning	-	-	-	-	\$50	\$50
Certificate Courses (each)	-	-	-	\$220	\$220	\$220
Certificate II Outdoor Recreation	-	-	-	-	\$400	-
Certificate II Outdoor Education	-	-	-	-	-	\$500

FAMILY LEVIES	HCC FAMILY LEVIES
Building \$360	Building \$300.
P&F \$45	P&F \$45
Yearbook \$35	Yearbook \$35
Total: \$440	Total: \$380

Billing of Music Tuition

Music Tuition fees will be billed each term and are payable by the end of week 5.

Cost: \$1,260 per year/\$315 per term per student

Instrument Maintenance Fee: \$52 per year/\$13 per term per student.

^{*1} Total cost of Year 10 Adventure Camp. ^{*2} Less deposits received in Years 7, 8 and 9.



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SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES 2023

Family Finance Arrangements

The Mercy Family Finance Arrangements have been created to assist families to manage the payment of their school fees.

Working in partnership with the College, families choose an arrangement to best suit their personal circumstances. The payment of school fees may be spread across the whole calendar year to minimise the regular payment amount.

The default payment structure is **Mercy Set-and-Forget Easy Pay - Direct Debit**. However, the College provides multiple payment options to assist families, namely:

1. Pay the account in full before the end of Week 5 of Term 1 and receive a 5% discount.

2. Mercy Set-and-Forget Easy Pay, the following arrangements are available:

A - Direct Debit

Arrangements can be made to have school fees debited from your savings or cheque account on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis.

B - Credit Card

Arrangements can be made to have school fees debited from your credit card account on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis.

C - BPay

For your convenience payments can be made via BPay. The Our Lady of Mercy College BPay biller code is 319764. Your family's BPay reference will be emailed from our Finance Department and can also be found on the bottom left-hand corner of your statement.

3. Commence payments prior to your child commencing at the College using the above arrangements. This method may be used to qualify for the 5% discount.

To set up your Mercy Family Finance Arrangement please complete a Mercy Family Finance Arrangement Form, which can be downloaded from our website <https://www.olmca.wa.edu.au/college-fees> and returned to accounts@olmca.wa.edu.au.

If you have any questions relating to College fees, please do not hesitate to contact our Financial Services staff on (08) 9720 3300 or email accounts@olmca.wa.edu.au.

Please read the directives and policies as outlined on the CEWA website (<https://www.cewa.edu.au/our-schools/find-a-school/fees-and-enrolments/>), Subject to change at anytime.

Secondary Assistance Scheme

Closing Date: Thursday, 6 April 2023

The Western Australian Department of Education provides an allowance to assist eligible families with secondary school costs.

To be eligible the parent/guardian must hold a

- Centrelink Family Healthcare Card,
- Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card or
- Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Card.

The assistance is available for students currently enrolled in Year 7-12 (not eligible if child is born in 2002 or before).

If eligible you will receive:

- \$115 Clothing Allowance (payment made to parent/guardian).
- \$235 Educational Program Allowance (payment made to the College.)

The Mercy Way

COMPASSION



We show COMPASSION when we:

Are sensitive to the needs of others

Display empathy

Walk in someone else's shoes

Act with gentleness

Speak kindly

Offer support

COURAGE



We show COURAGE when we:

Embrace opportunities to learn new things

Persevere when things are difficult

Resolve to do the best we can

Stay true to our beliefs and values

Stand up for what is right and just

HOSPITALITY



We show HOSPITALITY when we are:

Welcoming

Helpful

Friendly

Generous in sharing what we have

Neighbourly

RESPECT



We show RESPECT when we:

Consider the environment around us

Behave honestly

Value the opinions of others

Are courteous

Display appreciation

Take care of ourselves

JUSTICE



We show JUSTICE when we:

Stand up for those who are disadvantaged or excluded

Act with integrity by choosing to do what is right

Are fair-minded

Display equity in the way we treat others

Recognise the rights of others

SERVICE



We show SERVICE when we:

Expect nothing in return for our actions

Lend a helping hand

Offer to assist others

Show kindness

Put others before ourselves