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Dear Parents

I have greatly enjoyed my first year as Chair of the St Paul's School Council and it is a real privilege to be able to serve in this capacity. The School is a vibrant place, and it seems that there is always something exciting and interesting happening.

Perhaps the most exciting thing to have happened recently is that the School has been listed by Cambridge University as being one of the 100 most innovative schools in the world. This is a very significant accolade indeed. To add to this, in August we were the most decorated School at the inaugural Educator Magazine Australian Education Awards, taking home four of the five awards for which we were nominated. The winning awards were: Best Non-Government School Principal (Dr Paul Browning), Best Strategic Plan, Best Innovation in Curriculum and Best Professional Development Program. I think you will agree that these awards illustrate the quality of the teachers to whom you have entrusted your children's education.

The members of the School Council are always keen to hear about the students' activities and achievements. Some of our students have travelled far afield this year, with educational and sporting trips to places like Northern New South Wales, Canberra, the NSW ski fields, Japan, China, New Zealand, UK, Ireland, France and Belgium. At our September Council meeting we welcomed Rev Mark Leam, Mr Des Hylton and three students who spoke to us about their experiences on the 2018 Vanuatu Outreach Trip. The students spoke eloquently about the profound effect the trip had on them, and it was heartening to hear our youth expressing such enthusiasm for the outreach program and their genuine compassion and affection for the Vanuatians.

Closer to home, our Junior School presented another wonderful musical, Seussical Jr, which was a great success. The students in our Music program performed at a number of events including an outdoor concert at the School, a High Tea event at Sandgate Town Hall and Anzac parades at Samford and in the city. In commemoration of Anzac Day, our Humanities staff and students spent countless hours making an amazing red carpet of some 40,000 poppies for the front of the School, and our Junior School staff and students created a poppy curtain that sat behind the flagpole. Behind the scenes, our dedicated Music Tech students ensure that our School events run smoothly and professionally. We thank and acknowledge all for their dedication and commitment.

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As usual at this time of the year, the School Council has had to consider the fees for the coming year. We are acutely aware of the economic pressures that face our families, and we have strived to keep costs as low as possible while at the same time recognising the importance of providing an excellent education that will equip your children for the future. In 2019 our fees will need to increase by \$105 per term for Pre-Prep (Full time), \$52.50 per term for Pre-Prep (Part time), \$97.50 per term in the Junior School and \$125 per term in the Secondary School.

The 2019 domestic fees per student per annum will be:

Pre-Prep – Full Time (5 days per week)	\$12,200
Pre-Prep – Part Time (5 days per fortnight)	\$6,100
Junior School (Prep – Year 6)	\$11,490
Secondary School (Years 7-12)	\$14,550

The phased introduction of Choose Your Own Device (CYOD) will continue in 2019, and next year the IT levies will be:

Years 7-8 (CYOD)	\$400 per student per annum
Year 9 (school-provided laptop)	\$630 per student per annum
Years 10-11 (CYOD)	\$400 per student per annum
Year 12 (school-provided laptop)	\$730 per student per annum

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of School Council and Committees for freely offering their time and expertise for the benefit of the School, and to the Headmaster and his staff for their dedication to ensuring that St Paul's School is a place of excellence. I wish you and your family an enjoyable end to the year and a happy, safe and Holy Christmas.

Yours sincerely



Rob Law
Chair of School Council