

16 July 2025

Dear Lighthouse Parents and Caregivers,

Each year, we wish to communicate the next year's fees and calendar well in advance and celebrate recent accomplishments. Please take a moment to review the **Fees for 2026 and Payment Policy** to which all families agreed at admission. It provides helpful reminders on standing orders, the paid notice period and other types of payments.

As the school continues to grow, we are excited by many **initiatives** that are enhancing the school:

- In May, the ACSI - MSA Accreditation Team recommended their board formally approve Lighthouse for their world-wide recognised accreditation at their 21 June meeting.
- Our MAP testing pilot in Class 2,4,6 was fully implemented from Class 1-9 from January 2025. Results are being shared with parents during July conferences.
- Our secondary sports programs have expanded to more competitions including qualifying teams to the Intercollege Championships in volleyball and athletics.
- We will begin hardsurfacing our internal roads in August to ensure our facilities remain safe, relevant and continually developed.
- Finally, we continue to provide scholarships with increasing support of donors and partners, such as the Good Shop who donated Rs775,000 in September 2024.

We invite you to read below about the details of our fees, but we also wanted to invite you to a special meeting with the **Executive Leadership on Monday, 8 September at 17:30** in the Lighthouse Pavilion. Our goal is to hear from you, our community, and to share some of our initiatives for the future.

Lighthouse remains dedicated to its mission of stewarding resources to provide "learning which enables all students to reach their full potential" while simultaneously providing "affordable and accessible education for all families." As we set our 2026 fees, we remain mindful of our families' budgets, balanced against the school's needs to continue to improve the learning opportunities our children deserve. We remind you of our decision to forgo a midyear increase in monthly fees, in response to government mandates issued in late 2023 and January 2024. This was made possible after securing some relief from the Mauritian Revenue Authority for 70% of the special allocation, and by postponing our indoor sports facility project. In this context, our increases for 2026 have taken into consideration rising operational costs, inflation and the cost of enhancing our facilities and resources.

1. No increase to registration, meal or camp fees in 2026.
2. We have only increased monthly fees.

If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact our Finance Department or your child's Head of School to determine if you are eligible for our scholarship program. Thank you for your trust and confidence. We remain open to discuss and answer your questions.



Paul Beatty
Executive Head

Lighthouse Primary & Secondary School



2026 SCHEDULE OF FEES & PAYMENT POLICY

	1. Tuition	2. Meal Fees	3. Registration Fee
	11 monthly payments	11 monthly payments	Payable upon application approval
Grades Reception - 2			
Mauritians	11,000	1,600	35,000
Expatriates	17,000	1,600	47,000
Grades 3-4			
Mauritians	11,300	1,600	35,000
Expatriates	17,300	1,600	47,000
Grades 5-6			
Mauritians	11,800	1,600	35,000
Expatriates	17,800	1,600	47,000
Grades 7- 9			
Mauritians	14,800	2,000	35,000
Expatriates	25,300	2,000	47,000
Grades 10-11			
Mauritians	15,800	2,000	35,000
Expatriates	26,300	2,000	47,000
Grades 12 - 13			
Mauritians	17,300	2,000	35,000
Expatriates	28,800	2,000	47,000

Information on other mandatory fees	
Primary School	Secondary School
Resource Fee (required) - Rs 2,750	All grades - Camp (required) - Rs 4,750
Grade 5 and 6 - Camp (required) - Rs 3,000	Grades 11-13 - CIE exam fees (direct cost paid to MES)
Special clubs (optional)	Sports Fees (Optional)

Explanation of Fees and Payment Methods

1. Tuition is spread over and paid in eleven monthly payments per year. The first payment is due prior to the child's first day of school.

- Families who qualify for Mauritian fees must show proof of Mauritian citizenship. At least one parent must show proof of citizenship (Mauritian NIC or passport) prior to the first invoice.
- For families with three or more children enrolled at the same time, a 50% discount on the tuition fee is offered for each child enrolled after the second child. In this way, the first two children are charged full fees, but any subsequent child enrolled will receive a 50% discount on tuition fees.
- For families enrolling after the start of a month, the tuition and meal fees will be calculated on a pro-rata basis.

2. A meal fee is charged and is payable, along with tuition, on a monthly basis, irrespective of start date. The meal fee (for mid-morning, afternoon snacks and lunch) is also spread over an 11-month basis and therefore is paid in those same months. Eating meals at school and the meal fee are not optional.

- Tuition and meal fees are payable by standing order on the first day of the month for that month. Families must show evidence of the standing order prior to entry and prior to each new academic year. Other costs will be invoiced and are payable by bank transfer or cheque; payments in cash are discouraged.

3. The non-refundable registration fee is paid in full once upon entry, regardless of grade level and entry date. The registration fee is payable in full within seven days of the invoice. No place is confirmed until full registration fee is paid; families risk losing their place if the registration fee is not paid.

- Brothers and sisters will receive a 25% discount on the registration fee for the second and any other children enrolled. This discount is not applicable on top of any other discount.

4. The refundable deposit per child has a value equivalent to three months' of that child's applicable tuition fees. For new students, it is due before the first day of school of the present term or next academic year. **The amount will be re-evaluated, as tuition fees change, and any net adjustments due will be**

invoiced every two years. The total paid on behalf of any student is fully refundable, without interest, at the time of departure from the school upon the condition that the family is in good financial standing with the school; otherwise, any amounts owing shall be deducted. At least one month's tuition fee equivalent of the deposit shall be retained if a student is requested to leave the school.

5. Camp fees will be invoiced and are due by 28 February of that year, or upon enrollment for students enrolling later in the year. As part of the school's commitment to holistic education, the outdoor education programme includes a shorter camp for Grade 5 and 6 students and a one-week residential camp for all secondary students. As an essential part of the curriculum, camp fees and participation are obligatory.

Other Financial Policies

- **Absences:** No remission of school fees is made in case of absence due to illness, overseas leave or any other cause whatsoever.
- **Notice of departure:** If a student is to be removed from the school, parents must give at least three months' notice in writing or by email to the Head of School. In the event that proper notice is not given, the net equivalent of three months' fees including the month of December will be charged in lieu of notice. The school reserves the right to offset any amounts owed against the deposit and to withhold any student reports or letters for the transferee school until all amounts due to the school are paid. The remaining balance of the deposit will be refunded once all school property is returned in good condition and the account is settled.
- **Late payments:** A written reminder of late payments will be issued within 15 days' from the due date. Fees unpaid after one month from the due date will result in a follow up meeting to come to an agreement regarding the way forward. If unresolved, this could result in the suspension of the student until fees are paid in full.

Policies Applicable for Lighthouse Secondary School Only

- Please note that required subject-specific textbooks and library books will be loaned out to students and will remain the property of the school. Should the book be lost or become unusable due to damage, a replacement fee will be charged. Likewise, if a student is found guilty of damaging the school property, he/she will be financially liable for the full amount of the damaged property.
- All exam entry fees charged by third parties (e.g. Cambridge International Examinations, Pearson Edexcel, Alliance Française) will be charged at cost, per subject per student. For CIE exams, the finance team will provide ample notice of the estimated fee, though the actual fee charged by the MES due to exchange rates may differ slightly.
- Students in Grades 7 to 13 will be expected to have access to a device for use at school, to be purchased by parents. New students in Grades 7-9 are to purchase a Chromebook that includes a touch screen and that is stylus-enabled. Lighthouse provides a direct purchasing option.