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# KAT RIVER VALLEY PREPARATORY SCHOOL



"Learning to Love to Learn"

# **SCHOOL FEES POLICY**

#### Background

You as parents place a high premium on the education of your children and you depend on us to remain a stable, sound and sustainable organisation to supply that service. The school does not receive any financial subsidy or assistance from any outside organisation. We have to keep running the school, providing a high level of service on the income that is raised from school fees and any other school activities.

### <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this policy is to standardise the procedure for the collection of outstanding monies and has been brought in line with provisions of the Consumer Protection Act (CPA) Act 68 2008 and will apply to all Parents/Guardians of a child/children who are pupils at Kat River Valley Montessori School at or from the date of implementation of this policy. All outstanding monies, including monies outstanding prior to this policy being implemented by the Board of Governors will be covered by this policy.

#### Fee Payment terms

- 1. All fees are payable on presentation
- Fees are charged on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month and payable in advance by no later than the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each current month.
- 3. Parents will be invoiced for fees monthly over 11 months.
- 4. Fees may be paid Annually or Termly in advance at a discount.
- 5. A term's written notice is required should a child wish to leave the School. A term's fees will be charged in lieu of such notice should it not be given.

#### **Procedure for Payment of Fees**

- 1. Parents will be invoiced on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.
- 2. Fees must be paid within 7 days of invoice of each month.
- 3. Fees NOT received by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month are deemed "IN ARREARS"
- 4. The school does not accept debit and credit cards at the office.
- 5. Incidental extras (tours, excursions, stationery, workbooks, Lunches etc) are payable at the end of the month in which they are debited.
- 6. Bus fees are invoiced on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month and must be paid in advance within 7 days of invoice each month.

#### **Procedure for Non-Payment of Fees**

- 1. All parents/Guardians who do not comply with the payment of fees are effectively in breach of the contract.
- 2. In the event of arrears after the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the month parents/guardians will be notified by letter.
  - a. Letter will contain notice of breach in contract, whereby parent/guardian will have 20 business days to rectify the said breach.
- 3. In the event of non-payment by the end of the 20 day period, the Parent/Guardian will receive 2<sup>nd</sup> notice.
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice will inform parent/guardian of breach in contract. Learner will be excluded from school after period of no less than 2 days and no more than 7 days.

4. Further non-payment will result in final letter excluding the learner from school and notice of termination of contract. This will be 30 days in arrears. Letter will allow 15 day period for settlement of outstanding account before legal proceedings commence.

#### Interest and Administrative Charges

- 1. Interest on overdue fees and extras is charged monthly on all outstanding accounts. The interest rate has been set at 2% per month to encourage parents to pay their school account.
- 2. The following administration fees are applicable:
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> Notice of outstanding account after the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month R150-00
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice of outstanding account after 27<sup>th</sup> of the month R200-00
  - c. Notice of termination before legal proceedings R250-00
- 3. All legal costs will be for the account of the parent/guardian.

#### **Termination of Contract**

Once your account has reached 30 days in arrears, your contract will be terminated and:

- 1. The learner will be de-registered from school and alternative learning arrangements should be made for the learner by the parent/guardian.
- 2. Learners cannot be guaranteed a place at the school.
- 3. Parents will have to re-apply for a position for the learner ONLY once they have settled their account.
- 4. Parents will have to pay the Application Fee applicable to new pupils applying to enrol at the school.
- 5. On re-acceptance of the learner, a refundable deposit equivalent to 3 months fees may be required. The parent will be obliged to pay subsequent fees by monthly debit order.

I, (Parent/Guardian)

(print name)

Understand and accept the policy on fees. I also confirm that I am the person responsible for payment of all fees. I agree to abide by this policy.

| Signed by Parent/<br>(responsible for fe | Date |       |
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## DETAILS OF PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBLE FOR FEES

|                        | First person responsible for<br>payment of fees | Second person responsible for<br>payment of fees |
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| Title and Surname      |   |  |
| First Name             |   |  |
| Home Address           |   |  |
| Postal Address         |   |  |
| Email Address          |   |  |
| Name of Account Holder |   |  |
| Name of Bank           |   |  |
| Name of Branch         |   |  |
| Branch Number          |   |  |
| Account Number         |   |  |
| Signature              |   |  |
| Date                   |   |  |