



**St Aidan's Anglican Girls' School**  
*confidence and success*

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Another year seems to have flown by in the busy life of the School.

We are very excited about the imminent start of construction on the \$4.7m Innovation and Design Hub project and look forward to occupying this beautiful new facility in Semester 2 next year.



### **Fee Increase for 2017**

School Council continues to be mindful of the affordability of the education that we offer at St Aidan's and in that regard has sought to keep fee increases to a minimum over recent years, whilst ensuring that we continue provision of the highest quality facilities and teachers. In 2017 fees will increase by 4% for full fee paying students.

If you have any queries about the attached fee schedule for 2017, please contact the Finance Office on +61 7 3373 5931 or [FeesInquiry@ssa.qld.edu.au](mailto:FeesInquiry@ssa.qld.edu.au).

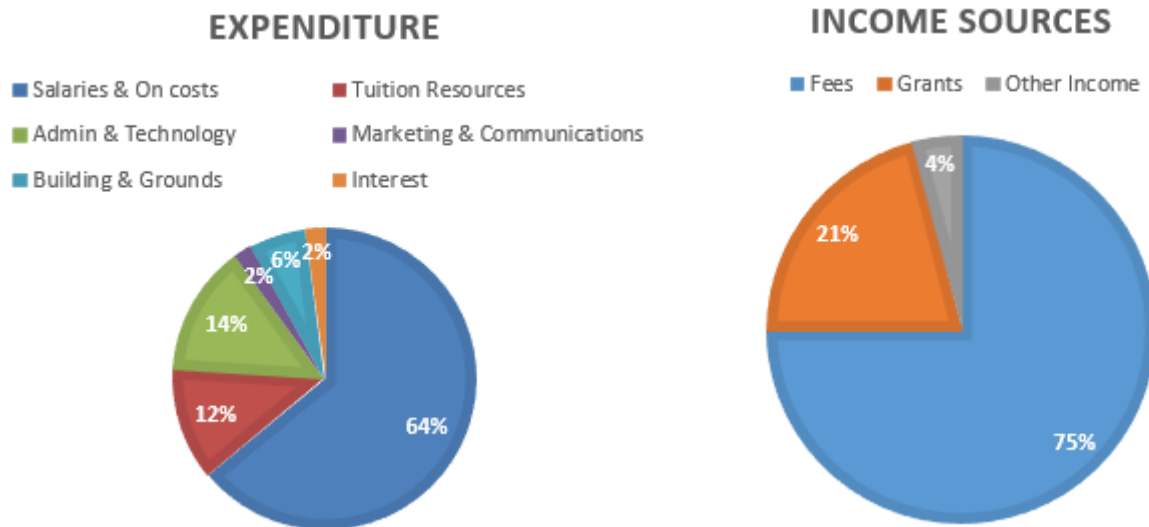
## Capital Program

Over many years St Aidan's has sought support from the School Community for capital programs through donations to our tax deductible building fund. Many schools similar to us have found that over time, donations decline and they need to move to a compulsory capital levy to ensure that building programs can continue. Up to this point, St Aidan's has resisted the move, choosing to continue the benefit of tax deductibility for the parents who make donations. Unfortunately, donation participation rates at St Aidan's have now dropped to less than 30% of the parent body, meaning that only a small number of families are contributing to the capital program that the whole school benefits from.

For this reason, St Aidan's have implemented a temporary Infrastructure Levy that will be in place for 3 years (2017-2019) and then reviewed at that time. This levy will be applied to all students from Prep to Year 11 in 2017 and then Prep to Year 12 for the remaining two years.

## Operations

For your information, details regarding the Schools' operational income and expenditure for 2016 are shown in the figures below:



On behalf of the School Council, thank you for your support of St Aidan's. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best for the remainder of the year and a safe and happy holiday season.

Yours sincerely

Rev Paul Bland  
**Chair**  
**School Council**