EPWORTH
Independent Preparatory School

Preparatory School Fees and Financial Information - 2027

Admissions Fees

Application Fee: R 900

Acceptance Fee: 10% of annual tuition fee and 10% boarding fee (if applicable) is payable on the offer of a place at Epworth from Grades RRR to 7.

Fee Structure

School accounts are payable by debit order, either monthly over 11 months or termly.
Parents may also choose to pay the full annual fee before the start of the school year.

Epworth Eppies (Grades RRR to R)

Grade	Annual Tuition Fee	Annual General-purpose Levy	Annual Development Levy	Total per year (Including tuition and all levies)	Total per month (over 11 months)
Grade RRR	R56 232	R1 859	R8 745	R66 836	R6 076
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Grade R	R56 232	R7 348	R8 745	R72 325	R6 575

Epworth Prep School (Grades 1 to 7)

Grade	Annual Tuition Fee	Annual General-purpose Levy	Annual Development Levy	Total per year (Including tuition and all levies)	Total per month (over 11 months)
Grade 1	R90 244	R10 263	R8 745	R109 252	R9 932
Grade 2	R90 244	R10 263	R8 745	R109 252	R9 932
Grade 3	R110 715	R10 373	R8 745	R129 833	R11 803
Grade 4	R110 715	R10 373	R8 745	R129 833	R11 803
Grade 5	R111 881	R11 539	R8 745	R132 165	R12 015
Grade 6	R137 071	R11 539	R8 745	R157 355	R14 305
Grade 7	R137 071	R13 530	R8 745	R159 346	R14 486

Prep School Boarding Fees

Boarding in the Prep School is available from Grade 5.
The fee below is over and above the tuition fee and both the levies.
Boarding fees are also to be paid over 11 months.
Boarding for Grades 5 to 7: R154 800 per annum (R14 073 per month over 11 months).

General-purpose Levy

This levy covers the following costs:
Personal Accident Insurance, use of the sanatorium service, Grades RRR to 7 school-issued stationery, textbooks and notes, limited printing/photocopying, Wi-Fi access, the school magazine, transport to and from local league sporting events and all grade outings and overnight tours.

Development Levy

This levy is used solely for the development of facilities, and is administered by representatives of the Trustees, the Board of Governors, School Executive and the parent body.

Early settlement and sibling discounts

There is a **6.5% discount** if a pupil's 2027 annual tuition and boarding (if applicable) fees are paid IN FULL before 30 November 2026.

There is a **3.5% discount** if a pupil's 2027 annual tuition and boarding (if applicable) fees are paid IN FULL before 31 December 2026.

Please note: Foreign transfers take longer to clear, and these delays must be considered so as not to miss the early settlement discount cut-off dates.

Sibling discount: An allowance of **10%** on tuition fees from Grades 1 to 12 will be granted on the fees of the second and each subsequent sibling from the same family, **provided** that such child does not enjoy any other form of fee assistance.

Possible further charges

Payment on fees in cash or by credit card: Any bank charges incurred by Epworth for payments in cash and by credit card will not be borne by Epworth. In addition, an admin fee of **R350** per cash deposit will be charged.

Non-South African residents and foreign currency surcharge: There is an **annual charge of R2 500** per pupil payable by all pupils whose family resides in countries outside the borders of South Africa. This also applies to local parents paying in foreign currency.
A deposit of **two terms' fees** (in addition to the regular acceptance fee) must be lodged with the school before a pupil from outside South Africa may be enrolled in the school. This deposit is refundable on completion of their Grade 12 year.

Non-debit order admin fee: An annual admin fee of **R6 000** will be charged for accounts not on debit order.

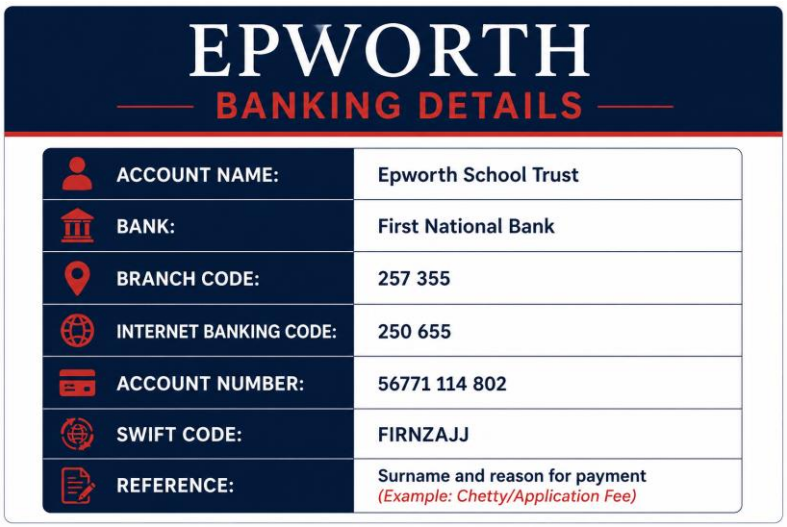
Debit order returns: An admin fee of **R600** will be charged for a debit order returned by the bank.

Day pupil lunch programme: Pupils from Grades 1 to 7 may order the cooked meal supplied for the lunch programme at a termly cost of **R2 000** per term.

Eppies and Prep School aftercare is charged at **R44** per day with a maximum of **R2 000** per term; this excludes meals.
The late penalty collection from aftercare is **R350** per incident.

Transport: The school provides transport for pupils to and from various venues in and around Pietermaritzburg each day. Transport is offered to boarders who reside in the Durban, Hillcrest, Ballito and Nottingham Road areas at the beginning and end of each week. Details of these services and the costs involved can be obtained from the Transport Office or on the Epworth website.

Sundry Costs: All other costs such as music lessons, ballet, horse riding, non-compulsory academic activities, extra lessons etc. are charged individually as they are incurred. Charges for extra lessons and extra-mural activities are available on request. An administration fee of **10%** is charged on all items of a personal nature added to a pupil's school account, e.g. medical costs.



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