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Dear Alex Family Members

## Matric Dance Décor week payments

I am aware of the discontent relating to the large price increase in the fee charged to the Grade 11s for décor week. I completely understand the demands that this places on your household finances. It was not without protracted deliberations that we took the decision not to require the Grade 11s to bring the construction materials this year.

We had previously set a deadline for the final payment of the décor week fee to be prior to the execution of the Matric Dance. The deadline is extended to the end of this year. If you plan a R200 per month payment every month from now until the end of the year, the pain will be spread across a greater timespan and hopefully not be quite as painful.

I am sorry that we have had to make this change to the payment. We are constrained by the limitations of our current budget and cannot exceed those parameters. Experience tells us that fewer and fewer families have access to the materials required for our décor designs and as a result the challenge of putting the design together has been an increasingly difficult one.

I know how much value the Matrics place on their dance and how much your child will look forward to and ultimately enjoy the dance next year when they attend.

Thank you for your support on this matter.

Yours in education

Matthew Ridgway  
Principal