

CHANGE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP TRUST

Charging and Remissions Policy

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School Visits

The school asks parents/carers to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of any visits in school time. No child is excluded from any visit because his/her parents/carers are unable or unwilling to make a voluntary contribution. It is pointed out to parents/carers that insufficient contributions may lead to the proposed visit being cancelled. The cost of the teachers and children whose parents/carers are unable or unwilling to pay is met by the School Fund or Pupil Premium funding where eligible.

Special Events in School

Every year in school we aim to hold special events for the children. For these events people will be invited into school i.e. Theatre Companies, Artists, Musicians, Writers etc. The school will ask parents/carers to make a voluntary contribution to cover the costs of these special events. No child is excluded from any special event because his/her parents/carers are unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution. It is pointed out to parents/carers that insufficient contributions will lead to the proposed special event being cancelled. The cost of children whose parents/carers are unwilling or unable to pay is met by the School Fund or Pupil Premium funding where eligible.

Swimming

The school asks parents/carers to make a voluntary contribution to help cover the cost of swimming lessons, transport and of employing trained Swimming Instructors. No child is excluded from swimming lessons because his/her parents/carers are unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution. It is pointed out that insufficient contributions may lead to swimming lessons being cancelled. The cost of children who parents/carers are unwilling or unable to pay is met by the School Fund or Pupil Premium funding where eligible.

Music Tuition

Parents/carers are expected to pay for the individual lessons given by privately arranged peripatetic Music Teachers.

<u>Breakages</u>

Parents/carers are asked to pay for the replacement or repair of items damaged by their child's misbehaviour.

Technology/Art

Parents/carers may be asked to make a small contribution towards materials. This will be to cover the cost of any batteries or bulbs, wood, clay, fabrics when appropriate or ingredients used in cookery. No child will be excluded from taking part in any activity due to his/her parent/carer being unwilling or unable to pay.

Remissions

If a parent/carer wishes to have a voluntary contribution returned when their child is unable to take part in a school visit, the contribution is returned in the form of a cheque. If the visit is of more than one day's duration, a medical certificate may be required to satisfy the insurers.

After School Activities

Trained instructors run some of our after school clubs – sports and music. Parents/carers may be asked to pay for these lessons. If a parent/carer would like their child to attend one of these clubs but cannot pay, they need to make an appointment to see the Headteacher so an alternative can be arranged.

If a visit turns out to be cheaper than was envisaged, the excess is divided by the number of voluntary contributors and the money returned.

If the peripatetic Music Teacher fails to deliver the prescribed number of lessons, the missing lessons are provided the following term or the money is returned.