

Charging and Remissions Policy #theJSway

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Introduction

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum.

Voluntary contributions

When organising school trips or visits to enrich the curriculum and the educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

The following is a list of additional activities, organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive: visits to museums; sporting activities which require transport expenses; outdoor adventure activities; visits to a theatre

3. Residential Visits

If the school organises a residential visit in school time or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make

any charge for the education. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging, additional travel expenses and any evening or extra curriculum activities while on the visit. The school supports low income and vulnerable families by helping with the cost through charity claims.

Music tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for children in Key Stage 2. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We therefore make no charge for this activity but we ask for a voluntary contribution towards the transport costs.

After school clubs

The school offers additional school clubs. Some of the clubs are run by school staff, some by teachers, or coaches from outside school. We do not charge for any clubs.

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