



Charging and Remissions Policy

The community of St. Charles School believes that Jesus is at the heart of everything we do. We are committed to giving every child, every opportunity to achieve their potential in mind and body in a happy, safe and caring environment.

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This policy should be read in conjunction with all safeguarding children, equality, diversity, disability, racial and gender schemes and policies.

1 Introduction

1.1 All the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum, with the exception of any individual or small-group music tuition.

2 School Trips, Afterschool Clubs or Workshops

2.1 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. If we do not receive sufficient contributions, we may cancel a trip.

2.2 The following is a list of additional activities, organised by the school, which require 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 or by a theatre company;*
- school trips abroad;*
- musical events.*

2.2 A charge will be made for afterschool clubs when there is additional costs for materials and resources.

3 Residential visits

3.1 If the school organises a residential visit in school time, or mainly in school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we make a charge for the travel expenses and the costs of board and lodging. If we cannot raise sufficient funding through contributions, the visit may have to be cancelled, and that aspect of the curriculum would have to be covered in other ways.

4 Music tuition

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

4.2 There is a charge for individual or small-group music tuition, since this is an additional curriculum activity, and not part of the National Curriculum. These individual or small-group lessons are taught by peripatetic music teachers. We make a charge for these lessons. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

5 Breakfast Club

5.1 Breakfast and supervision of children is provided at an extra cost, currently £1.50 per day.

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