



CHARGING POLICY

School Vision Statement "EVERYBODY MATTERS"

1. Introduction

The school acknowledges the enrichment value of a varied extra-curricular opportunities and school trips.

2. Voluntary contributions for activities as part of the Curriculum

When organising school trips, visits or workshop activities which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the activity. All contributions are voluntary, however if we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel the activity.

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, the child is still allowed to participate fully in the trip or activity as long as parental consent has been given.

If appropriate and funds allow, the school or PTA may pay a proportion of the costs in order to support a visit.

3. Music Tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. There is no charge for the choir extra-curricular club but the school do ask for a contribution towards the cost of refreshments and costumes for the extra- curricular Y6 drama club.

There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. This charge is paid directly to the Sheffield City Council Music Service which provides peripatetic music teachers to teach individuals or small group lessons on the school site.

4. Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for children in Year 4. Lessons take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. There is no charge for these lessons.

5. Optional Extra Activities

(Activities which take place wholly or mainly outside school hours and are not required in order to fulfil statutory duties relating to the National Curriculum or to Religious Education)

Activities organised by the school

It is the governors' policy to charge for such activities organised by the school if costs are incurred in setting up or organising these activities. The basis for calculating the charge will be proportionate for each participating pupil.

Parents of children attending sporting competitions will be asked for a contribution to cover the cost of transport to and from the venue.

Some optional activities which take place before or after school, may not have a charge associated with them, e.g. Cross-country club, Table Tennis Club, Key Stage 2 Football Club, Netball Club, Fit Club. Generally, activities organized during the lunch break do not incur a charge.

Activities not run by the School

There are a range of school activities on the school premises which are not run by the school e.g. Rugby, KS1 football, yoga, karate, singing and dance classes etc. If parents want their children to join these activities they need to book and pay for these lessons directly with the club organisers.

6. Childcare

The breakfast and after school club at the school are not run by the school. Fees for before and after school care are payable directly to the organisations providing the service and not to the school.

7. Residential Visits

The school organises annual residential visits for Year 5 and Year 6 children. The cost of this trip includes board & lodging, transport, materials, entrance to any sites visited and charges for any activities to be experienced.

Where available, support will be provided for children of families on forms of income support or in special circumstances to enable them to take part. This is dealt with discretely and in confidence by the Head Teacher. Parents will be given the option of a payment plan to spread the costs of a residential visit.

8. Charging in Kind

The cost of ingredients, materials, equipment etc. needed for practical subjects such as food technology or design technology is budgeted for and borne by the school. However, the school may charge for or require the supply of ingredients and materials if the product is to be owned and taken home by the child afterwards e.g. food products.

9. Equal Opportunities

Every effort will be made to ensure that opportunities covered by this policy are accessible to all pupils (eligible by year group or age) irrespective of gender, race or disability.