

Charging and Remissions

The Governing Body aims to promote and provide activities both as part of a broad and balanced curriculum for the pupils of the school and as additional optional activities.

Charging And Remissions Policy

It is the aim of our school that all educational visits offered should enhance the curriculum, enriching the children's knowledge and understanding.

Parents will be notified in a letter of the details and asked to make a voluntary contribution, worked out with a view to covering the complete cost, i.e. coaches, insurance, entrance fees etc. No visit is profit making.

The law now forbids any child to be refused permission to go on an educational visit, even if parents do not contribute, it follows that if insufficient donations are received the visit may not go ahead. The final decision will rest with the Headteacher.

Any parent known to have financial difficulties may be invited to discuss the matter with the headteacher so that an appropriate solution based on individual circumstances can be made.

Contributions for entrance fees are refundable if any child is absent on the day of the visit, however, coach fares cannot be refunded.

Charges

The governing body reserves the right to make a charge in the following circumstances for activities organised by the school:

• School Journeys in School Hours

The board and lodging element of approved residential activities deemed to take place in school hours.

• Activities outside School Hours

The full cost to each pupil of all approved activities deemed to be optional extras taking place outside school hours.

• Individual Instrumental Tuition

The cost to the pupil for providing any instrumental tuition not part of normal LEA peripatetic provision, where a charge is made for individual tuition in the playing of a musical instrument with the City of York remission is given for pupils whose parents are in receipt of Income Support or Child Tax Credit.

• Charging in Kind

The cost of materials, ingredients, equipment (or the provision of them by parents) for the following subjects: CDT, Science, Art/Craft.The Governing Body reserves the right to charge for ingredients and materials or require them to be provided if the parents have indicated in advance that they wish to own the finished product.

General

The Governing Body may from time to time, amend the categories of activity for which a charge may be made. Nothing in this policy statement precludes the Governing Body from inviting parents to make a Voluntary Contribution towards the cost of additional activities which take place in school time. Parents may be advised that the continuance of an activity may depend upon voluntary contributions, but once it has been decided to run such an activity no qualifying child will be excluded on the grounds of voluntary contributions.

Remissions

Where the parents of a pupil are in receipt of income support or Child Tax Credit, the Governing Body will offer to remit in full the cost of full board and lodging for any residential activity which is deemed to take place in school hours or where it forms part of the syllabus for the National Curriculum.

The Governing Body may wish to remit in full or in part the cost of other activities for particular groups of parents, for example, in the case of family hardship. When arranging a chargeable activity such parents will be invited in confidence for the remission of charges

Payment For Wilful Damage Caused By A Pupil

1. The Headteacher may ask a parent/carer to pay for any damage caused wilfully by their child.