Charging and Remissions Policy

HARRIS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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(Head teacher)

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We will help children build foundations for life. To develop the skills, knowledge and confidence they need to shape their own futures and to benefit others, leading ultimately to fulfilling and happy lives for themselves and a coherent and healthy society.

Under the charging provisions of the Education Reform Act 1988 governing bodies may choose to charge for certain defined activities.

It is our policy to charge for:

- instrumental tuition provided by Lancashire Schools' Music Service on a small group basis (maximum four children)
- transport, instruction, board and lodging on residential visits

and to reserve the right to charge for:

• deliberate damage to property or equipment caused by children whilst at school.

With the exception of the above, it is our policy not to charge for any activities which take place in school hours.

However, voluntary contributions will be requested towards the cost of:

• educational visits (transport and admission costs).

There will be no obligation to make a contribution. No pupil whose parents do not make a contribution will be treated differently on this account. Where there are insufficient contributions to make the activity viable, or the school cannot fund it from some other source, then the activity may be cancelled.

It is our policy to subsidise transport, board and lodging charges for residential visits for pupils on free school meals. At the discretion of the headteacher, Pupil Premium funds will be used to subsidise other visits and activities, music tuition and after school sports clubs as necessary. The amount of this contingency fund to be decided annually by Governors.

Looked after pupils will receive funding through the Pupil Premium for visits and activities appropriate to the child(ren).

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed every two years in the Autumn term by the Staffing and Finance Governor's Committee.