

Pleasant Street Primary School



Charging Policy

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Document Purpose

This document outlines the school policy with regard to charging for school activities.

Audience

This policy reflects the consensus of opinion of the staff and was agreed at a meeting of the School Governors in September 2003. It will be distributed to:

All teaching staff

All non-teaching staff

Copies of the policy are available in the Headteacher's office for:

School Governors

LEA Advisers and Inspectors

Inspection Teams

Visiting teachers and students

Parents

'Pleasant Street Primary School pledges itself to be a place where uniqueness is celebrated and all individuals will find safety and respect for themselves, their families and their way of life.'

Introduction

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

Wider Curriculum Opportunities

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. These contributions are voluntary, however if a significant number of parents do not contribute, the activity may have to be cancelled. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unable to make a contribution, we allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. 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 organized by the school, which may require a contribution 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 the theatre
- musical events.
- visiting theatre groups

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 will always do our best to heavily subsidise such visits.

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 all children in Key Stage 2. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place.

Football

The school offers additional football coaching after school. We do not charge for these sessions. We may ask for a small contribution to the cost of transport to events at other venues.

After School Activities

The school offers a variety of after school activities. There is usually no charge for these sessions unless transport costs to other venues are involved.