



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL CHARGING & REMISSIONS POLICY

Introduction

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum, with the exception of some individual or small-group music tuition.

Voluntary contributions

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. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. 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 unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. 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, organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to or by a theatre company;
- musical events.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

On school days we offer a breakfast club from 8am to 8.40am and an after school club from 3.25pm to 5.30pm. These clubs are staffed by playgroup personnel and due to staffing costs and resources we do charge for these clubs.

Music tuition and out of hour learning activities

All children study music and PE as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. We do not charge for Music tuition and out of hour learning activities even though this is in additional to the national curriculum.

Swimming

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

Remissions

On school residential visits for pupils whose parents/carers are receiving income support, income-based job seeker's allowance, family credit or disability working allowance, board and lodging will not be charged. Charges for other 'chargeable activities' may also be fully or partially remitted. Specific details of any remission arrangements will be made clear when parents are informed of charges for individual activities.

Monitoring and review

This policy is monitored by the governing body, and will be reviewed in two years, or earlier if necessary.