



Charging and Remissions Policy

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The aim of this policy is to set out which charges may be made for activities, which remissions will be implemented, and the circumstances under which voluntary contributions will be requested from parents.

Parents are strongly encouraged to apply for Free School Meals. Further details can be found here <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/school-life/free-school-meals/>. If your child qualifies for Free School Meals, there may be further remissions available to your child.

Residential school visits

We may charge for the cost of board and lodgings during overnight school trips, but the charge will not be more than the accommodation costs.

Music tuition

- Charges may be made when the tuition is not an essential part of the National Curriculum
- A public examination syllabus
- An after school club

Examinations

- No charge will be made for entering pupils for public examinations related to the National Curriculum
- Charges will be made for an examination not related to the National Curriculum

Breakages and replacements

We may charge for breakages and replacements as a result of damages caused wilfully or negligently by pupils.

Extra-curricular activities and school clubs

We may charge for clubs, enrichment and extra-curricular activities.

Voluntary contributions

We may ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of:

- any activity which takes place during school hours such as visitors or swimming lessons
- resources for extraordinary sessions such as those with visitors

- school equipment

Contributions are voluntary, however, where there are not enough voluntary contributions to make the activity possible, and there is no other subsidisation, the school will cancel the activity.

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