

Wat's Dyke C.P.School



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Charging and Remissions Policy

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Charging and Remissions Policy

On an occasion when the Governing Body, or its representative, determines that charges should be levied, it will conform to the Charging Policy.

If the Governing Body, or its representative requests voluntary contributions from parents, it will be made clear that for activities wholly or mainly in school hours, children of parents who do not contribute will not be excluded or treated and differently. However the school is entitled to cancel the activity if the level of contributions does not meet its budgetary requirements.

Charges Policy

The Governing Body reserves the right to make a charge for the following activities organised by the school:-

- 1) Musical instrument tuition provided to individual pupils or to a group if the teaching of music tuition is not part of the Curriculum or a public examination syllabus being followed by the pupil.
- 2) Board and lodgings on residential visits even when taking place largely in school time (Pupils whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits are exempt from paying the cost of board and lodging, see Remissions)
- 3) Activities which take place mainly or wholly out of school time if they are not part of the Curriculum, not part of a syllabus for a prescribed public examination that the pupils being prepared for at the school and not part of religious education.
- 4) Materials used in practical subjects and project assignments that the pupil wish to keep as the finished product e.g. ingredients or materials.
- 5) The cost of repair or replacement for breakages, lost or destroyed school property as a consequence of a pupil's behaviour may be requested from a parent / carer at the school's discretion.
- 6) Transport that is not required to take the pupil to school or to other premises where the governing body have arranged for the pupil to be provided with education.
- 7) For optional extras out of school time, provided parents have agreed to their children participating

Remission Policy

In accordance with Section 457 of the Education Act 1996, the Governing Body shall remit the full cost of board and lodging for any residential activity that it organises for the pupil if –

- a) The activity is deemed to take place in school hours
- b) It forms part of the Curriculum or part of the Governing Body's duty to provide Religious Education
- c) If it forms part of the syllabus for a prescribed public examination and which satisfy the County Borough's rules and regulations relating to school journeys. Parents who can prove they are in receipt of the following benefits will be exempt from paying the cost of board and lodging of a residential trip:
 - Income support
 - Job seeker's allowance (income-based)
 - Immigration and Asylum-seeker's allowance
 - Pension credit
 - Child tax credit with an income less than £16,480 but not if parent/guardian is also in receipt of
 - Working Tax Credit

In accordance with the Remissions Policy adopted by the Executive Board WCBC the Local Authority will –

- (i) Where a charge has been raised for board and lodging for educational activities at supported outdoor Education & Language Centres, namely Nant B.H., Pentrellyncymer, Plas Nantyr, Urdd Millenium Centre (Cardiff), Llangrannog and Glan Llyn, then the LA will offer remission to eligible pupils, in relation to one trip per pupil per year.
- (ii) Pupils who are entitled to statutory remissions may, from time to time, be invited to represent their school or the County Borough on foreign exchange visits or take part in special field course or expeditions. In these circumstances, the LA gives such individual cases discretionary consideration.
- (iii) The funds to be made available for remissions will be finite and based on an average of one journey per year for those qualified. Schools will forward details of the entitlements to enable the appropriate reimbursements to be made. All other remission costs shall be borne by the school.