



Policy for Charging

The Governors attach great importance to learning experiences which take place out of school or which involve visiting theatre groups, musicians etc.

The Governors recognise particularly that the Humanities programmes of study require such practical experiences.

While the school is not allowed to make charges for such activities, the Headteacher may ask for voluntary contributions towards covering the cost of transport and entry fees.

Letters to parents should ensure that it is clear that the contribution is voluntary and that no child will miss the activity because of non-contribution. It is however, also acceptable for the Headteacher to point out that if many parents choose not to contribute, the activity may no longer be viable.

The same principals apply to covering the cost of heating the outside swimming pool.

In the event of Residential experiences it is permissible for the Headteacher to make a charge covering the cost, whilst making it clear that the transport element is a voluntary contribution. Children in receipt of Family Support may be entitled to claim these charges back from the LEA.

The Finance committee reviewed this policy on 22nd November 2012, and it was ratified by the Governing Body at their full committee meeting on 22nd November 2012.

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