

# Charging Policy

The 1988 Education Act states that the Governors must make known to parents their policy on charges for pupils' activities organised by the school.

The school will provide all books and materials for all National Curriculum essential work. There may be a charge for any additional materials connected with out of school activities or for specialised music sheets or books.

If a pupil elects to join in a musical tuition group, then a fee, appropriate to the charges required by the music teacher, will be levied, which is sufficient to cover costs but not to make a profit. Any child whose parent is on Income Support will not be required to pay the full amount.

The school will make a charge for board and lodging on residential activities in term time. Other costs are covered by the parents' voluntary contributions. A charge will be made for the costs of optional extras which take place in out of school hours. Some activities which take place in school time may include visiting theatre groups or musicians and these may cost more than the school can afford, therefore requests will be excluded if they cannot afford to pay. However, if voluntary contributions do not cover costs, some activities will be cancelled.

The school fund is used to subsidise activities and to help pay for those children whose parents are on Income Support. Local charities are also asked to give support to particular children in need.