



CHARGING & REMISSION POLICY 2026-2027

That all may have life - life in all its fullness

Our Mission Statement

The aim of our school is excellence in education in accordance with the teachings of the church.

We recognise that everyone is unique and has something to offer and we seek to develop each child's potential in a learning community where all are respected. We want every child to achieve and experience success.

Working in partnership with children, their parents, our parish and the wider community, we promote Christ's teaching as found in the Gospel so that 'all may have life, life in all its fullness'.

We aim to ensure this is done by;

- Praying together
- Living and working together as a loving, caring and forgiving community
- Valuing the experience and diversity of every person in our community
- Encouraging the children to achieve of their best – mentally, emotionally and spiritually
- Helping all in our community to experience the joy of learning and working together

Introduction

All the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils. 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. We do, however, recognise that we can ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of:

- any activity that takes place during school hours;
- school equipment;
- school funds general.

Voluntary contributions

When organising school trips or visits to enrich the curriculum and the educational experience of the children, the school invites parents and carers 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 or carers have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

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The following is a list of additional activities, organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents and carers. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to or by a theatre company;
- school trips;
- musical events.

Residential visits

When organising our annual School Journey we ask that the cost is met through:

- voluntary contributions
- fundraising activities
- school funds

A charge is made for board and lodgings; children whose parents are in receipt of the following support payments will be entitled to the remission of these charges:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's allowance
- Support under part iv of the Immigration and Asylum Act 199
- Child Tax Credit provided the parent is not entitled to Working Tax Credit and their annual income does not exceed £16,040

However, if sufficient funds cannot be raised through voluntary contributions, the visit may have to be cancelled, and that aspect of the curriculum would have to be covered in other ways.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Key Stage 2. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. No charge is made.

Practical subjects

Parents may be asked to contribute to the cost of some items for practical subjects e.g. cookery or design technology activities.

Parents will be asked to contribute towards the cost of non-educational events – parties and discos etc.

Musical instruments

Pupils are required to maintain and care for school equipment and families to meet the cost of insurance, which is arranged by the school. A refundable deposit for the loan of the instrument is required.

After school clubs

The school offers additional coaching after school. Our Sports Coach runs and organises these sessions for which a small charge is made.

The school also offers a range of additional after school clubs for which a small charge is made.

Monitoring and review

This policy is monitored by the Governing Body, and will be reviewed every two years, or earlier if necessary.

The Charging and Remissions Policy only relates to provision of Education within the school. However, in the future parents may be asked for recompense where a child causes damage. Therefore breakage or damage cause to school property, equipment and materials, including the loss or replacing or books, caused by a pupil's misbehaviour may incur a charge equal to the cost of repair or replacement as new.