



Fishponds Church of England Academy Charges and Remissions Policy

The 1988 Education Reform Act requires governing bodies/Boards of schools to produce guidelines concerning charges for activities taking place in school.

All of the activities which are planned for your child at school are those which we consider to be important parts of his/her education. Particularly valuable are the day visits to places of educational interest in the Bristol area, such as museums, historical sites or wildlife gardens. The school is not permitted to make charges for these visits, nor however, can it afford to pay for them from its own limited budget. The only way in which such educational opportunities can be financed is by inviting parents to make voluntary contributions to help meet the cost. All children will be eligible for such visits, regardless of whether their parents have contributed, but it should be understood that if sufficient funds are not available it might be necessary to cancel planned activities.

Other activities such as Design and Technology and so on routinely take place in school as part of regular curricular work. There is no charge for these activities but the Local Board may charge for ingredients or materials, or require them to be provided, if parents indicate in advance that they wish to own the finished product.

The school pays for the cost of swimming.

The Local Board reserve the right to make a charge for individual instrumental tuition and the board and lodging element of residential activities taking place within school hours, also to charge the full cost of optional activities taking place out of school hours.

If breakages in school result from a deliberate or careless action, the Local Board will request an amount of money to cover the cost of a replacement.

Similarly, if a library book is not returned, the Local Board will request an amount of money to cover the cost of a replacement.

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Date for review: