



St Mary's C.E. Primary School Charging Policy



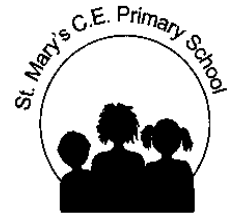
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1 Introduction

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken during school hours as part of the National Curriculum.

2 School trips/visits and activities in school time and voluntary contributions

2.1 When organising school activities, trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents/carers to contribute to the cost. All contributions are voluntary. If sufficient voluntary contributions are not made the money would be taken from the school budget visits and trips cost centre (currently Pupil premium funding)

2.2 Parents/Carers have a right to know how each individual trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

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

- Class trips
- Sporting activities – sometimes involving transport expenses
- Visits to the theatre

Parents/Carers will be given reasonable advanced notice of proposed visits/activities and school will provide details of how each individual voluntary contribution amount has been determined. Staged payments may be arranged where contributions are significant School will contribute to the cost of each trip to offset the contribution from each parent

3 Residential visits – Charges

3.1 If the school organises a residential visit in school time or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we ask for a voluntary contribution for the education or travel expenses, to which school will provide a contribution.

3.2 Parents/Carers will be given advanced notice of proposed residential visit opportunities together with an early indication of charges and voluntary contribution requests and staged payments may be arranged where contributions are significant.

4 Swimming

4.1 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. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place.



5 Out of school clubs and activities

5.1 The school offers a range of out-of-school clubs, and do not charge for any sessions. The right to charge for such sessions to cover the cost of provision where those activities are not directly aimed at providing educational benefits to pupils.

6 Transport to Extra-Curricular Activities

6.1 Parents/Carers may be charged to cover the transport expenses associated with the trip of an extra-curricular activity. Charges for transport will be strictly based on covering actual costs with no profit element.

7 Loss of/Damage of School Property

7.1 Parents/Carers may be asked to meet the cost of repair/replacement of school property lost or damaged as a result of a pupil's misbehaviour.

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