



Charging Policy

Harefield Infant, Nursery and
Children's Centre

Spring Term 2012

Introduction:

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

Voluntary Contributions:

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

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

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

- visits to museums, historic sites and other places of interest
- outdoor adventure activities
- trips to see plays, concerts, sporting events etc
- school trips.

Music Tuition:

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this.

Cooking:

Cookery activities are part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this.

After School Clubs:

The school offers a number of after school clubs. Some of these are run by school staff and are free. For others, run by qualified coaches who are not on the school staff, we may make a small charge.

Policy Review:

This policy is reviewed regularly as part of our rolling programme of policy review and at other times if legislation or guidance changes.

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