



BRADING C OF E CONTROLLED PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

Reviewed by Governors.

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Signed: _____

This document is a statement of the charges and remissions at Brading C of E Primary School. The school conforms to the LA's charging policy, the DES Circular 2/89 and the Education Act 1996: Charges for School Activities.

The Governing Board recognises the valuable contribution that the wide range of additional activities, including trips, clubs and residential experiences can make towards pupils' education. The Governing Board aims to promote and provide such activities both as part of a broad and balanced curriculum for the pupils of the schools and as additional optional activities. However due to the limited funds in the delegated budget the Governing Board reserves the right to make a charge in the following circumstances for activities organised by the schools. The Governing Board will from time to time, review and amend the categories of activity for which a charge may be made. The Policy states that the education provided in the schools is free of charge except:

1.	Residential Courses in school time – with Board and Lodgings cost only	Board and lodging will be charged on any residential trip in school time, subject to the remission of charges for those parents* on Universal Credit in prescribed circumstances; Income Support, Income Based Jobseekers Allowance; support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999; Child Tax Credit provided that Working Tax Credit is not also received and Free School Meals and in line with our Policy and DFE's guidance with regard to charging for visits.
2.	Activities outside school hours not within the National Curriculum	Parents meet full cost, except for children with statements specifying residence when activities take place during normal residential period.
3.	Clothing	Schools may require parents to provide items of clothing incidental to the education provided in schools e.g. football boots, swimming costumes
4.	Individual Instrumental Music Tuition	School may bring outside tutors in, within school at a charge to parents. In cases of severe financial hardship then the School may assist with tuition/hire, to be reviewed annually, so that no child is excluded due to inability to pay. In addition regardless of whether an instrument is a pupil's own property or that of the IWMS or the school, he or she will be responsible for the replacement of broken strings, damaged reeds etc as the need arises. (All IWMS instruments are issued in full working order).
5.	Ingredients /materials for practical subjects	Parents are encouraged to provide materials for practical subjects, but no child must be disadvantaged because of parents' inability/reluctance to pay. Where necessary, school will pay.
6.	Lost school equipment, books, etc.	Parents may be expected to replace or purchase items of lost property.
7.	Breakages and damages to school	Parents to be made aware that wilful damage to school buildings or property may be charged to parents by the

	buildings, furniture or property	school.
8.	School trips	<p>Parents will be asked to make voluntary contributions towards the cost of school trips and visits where these are undertaken during school hours. Parents may also be expected to meet charges levied by others where these arise in connection with school activities, eg entry fees to museums, transport fares, etc.</p> <p>The school reserves the right to cancel the activity if the total of voluntary contributions does not meet the cost of the activity e.g. visiting theatre groups, artists, writers, musicians, sports fixtures, visits to places of educational values, hire of films and the travel and activity elements of residential visits held largely within school time.</p>
9.	Charges for letting	Please refer to the Brading C of E Primary Lettings Policy

*** ‘Parents’ to include carers and anyone responsible for ‘looked after children’.**