

# Stock Primary School



## Charging and Remissions Policy

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## **Introduction**

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum with the exception of individual or group music tuition.

## **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 fully 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;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- school trips;
- workshops/ visitors at school;
- musical events.

## **Residential visits**

Schools are permitted to charge for the cost of residential school trips. This cost must not exceed the actual cost of the provision. If a child is entitled to Pupil Premium funding then the school may offer to meet the payment.

## **Music tuition**

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

There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year or term as changes occur.

## **Swimming**

The school organises swimming lessons for 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 but request voluntary contributions to cover the cost of the lessons and transport. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their written permission for their child to take part in swimming lessons.

## **Extra-Curricular Activities**

The school offers some additional coaching before and after school. Qualified coaches, who are not members of the school staff, run and organise these sessions. The organising body make a small charge for these sessions.

**Pupil Premium**

Pupil Premium may be used to provide the voluntary contribution requested for visits for children who are entitled to Pupil Premium funding with the exception of residential visits where parents are also asked to make a contribution.

**Photocopying**

The school makes a charge of 10p per single sided copy and 20p per double sided. We also charge, where there is significant time involved, for administration time incurred.