



Charging and Remissions Policy

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In general, no charge can be made for admitting pupils to maintained schools. Where education is provided wholly or mainly during school hours, it should be free. It is therefore not possible to levy a compulsory charge for transport or admission costs for swimming lessons or for visits to museums, etc. during school hours.

Voluntary Contributions

Although it is not compulsory for parents to pay a charge for activities/resources linked to the school curriculum within school hours, we may ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of these activities/resources, for example;

- School visits to places of interest linked to the curriculum
- In school workshops linked to the curriculum, such as music, art or drama workshops
- School equipment, such as additional study guides for national tests
- Swimming lessons
- School funds generally.

These contributions are genuinely voluntary, and the pupils of parents who are unable or unwilling to contribute will not be discriminated against. Where there are not enough voluntary contributions to make the activity possible, and there is no way to make up the shortfall, then it will be cancelled.

Charges of a trip or activity will be divided up by the number of pupils participating. Those pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium will be allocated an allowance for trips, visits and activities throughout the year.

Residential Trips

Woore Primary and Nursery School will charge for the cost of board and lodging during residential school trips. This cost will not exceed the actual cost of the provision. Where the trip takes place wholly, or mainly, during school hours children who are in receipt of Pupil Premium will be entitled to the remission of a proportion of these charges.

Instrumental Music Lessons

Charges may be made for vocal or instrumental tuition provided either individually, or to groups of any size, provided that the tuition is provided at the request of the pupil's parent. Charges may not exceed the cost of the provision, including the cost of the staff who provide the tuition. Charges will not be made to pupils that are looked after by the local authority.