



Carfield

Primary School

Charging and Remissions Policy
2021-2022

1 Introduction

1.1 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.

2 Voluntary contributions

2.1 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 85% sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it should include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

2.2 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 whether from pupil premium funding (30% deduction for pupil premium children) or school fundraising. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

2.3 The following is a list of additional activities organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums, places of interest;
- sporting activities;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- residential school trips;
- other arts events.

3 Residential visits

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 charge for the education and travel expenses in addition to a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging. The school holds a Pupil Premium budget that will be used to subsidise the cost of trips for pupils receiving FSM (30% deduction).

4 Music tuition

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

4.2 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 make a charge for these lessons. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

5 Swimming

5.1 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, and we ask parents for their written permission for their child to take part in swimming lessons.

6 Sports

6.1 The school offers additional sports coaching at lunchtime and after school. On the occasions when a qualified coach, who is not a member of the school staff, runs and organises these sessions, we may make a small charge for these sessions. If the sessions are delivered by a member of the school staff, no charge is made.

7 Transport

7.1 The cost of transport may be subsidised through school fund, or itemised as part of the overall cost of school trips. If charges are required to cover the expenses of the trip we do not, under any circumstances, make a profit.

8 Nursery

8.1 The cost of additional nursery hours is £5 per hour and will be charged to parents by invoice for each half term (for those with chargeable additional hours). Failure in payment will result in a loss of the nursery place.

All payments to school are made through the parent pay system.