



## REDSCOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### CHARGES AND REMISSIONS POLICY

Section 449-462 of the Education Act 1996 requires schools and governing bodies to produce a policy on charging for school activities, and to indicate which school activities and which children are eligible for remission on such charges.

#### DAY VISITS/RESIDENTIAL VISITS

All educational visits take place during the school day. It is not possible to charge parents for the costs incurred in taking children out of school during the school day to visit places of interest relevant to the curriculum ie hire of coaches, entry fees to environmental centres, museums etc. Every effort is made to keep these costs to a minimum. We do not ask parents to pay but we do request voluntary contributions. In the event of insufficient contributions being received the visit may not take place.

#### NECESSITOUS PUPILS

Voluntary contributions will be invited from all parents for the cost of a school visit/residential visit. Part of the school's social disadvantage allowance will be used to fund visits for pupils whose parents are in receipt of Income Support, Tax Credits, Job Seeker's Allowance or Disabled Persons Tax Credits from whom voluntary contributions are not forthcoming, either in whole or part.

A visit will not take place if parents who are not in receipt of income support do not make sufficient voluntary contributions.

There will be no discrimination against any individual child whose parents do not contribute. A visit will include all the children in the group/class for which the visit has been arranged.

#### BAKING/DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

The cost of baking/DT will generally be met by school as part of the curriculum. In Foundation Stage, when baking activities take place weekly, parents may be asked to make a small contribution (50p) per week voluntary contribution.

#### LOSS OR DAMAGE

The school reserves the right to make reasonable charge for the replacement of resources which are lost or damaged.

#### MUSIC

In key Stage 2 some children have music lessons with LA peripatetic music teachers. We request a contribution of £30 towards the amount of £75 per term charged to the school. The amount charged to the school is subsidised by the LA. The governing body can determine to meet the costs (or part thereof) involved on behalf of the child. This will be determined on an individual basis and the reasons minuted.

## LETTINGS

The school will charge for lettings to cover the cost of caretaking, electricity etc. This will be in line with the recommendations of the LA.

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