

Harewood Primary School

Charging and Remissions Policy

Approved by Governors: 1 October 2019

Signed(Headteacher)

Date

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All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum.

School Visits

When organising school visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school funds the cost for all Free School Meal Ever 6 children. We invite parents and carers of children who have never been in receipt of FSM to contribute to the cost of the trip. All contributions are voluntary. No child is excluded from an educational experience through financial reasons.

The following is a list of some of the additional activities organised by the school which may require voluntary contributions from parents.

- visits to museums and galleries
- outdoor adventure activities
- visits to the theatre and musical events

Residential Visits

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 do not make any charge for the education. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of board, lodging and travel expenses for children who have never been in receipt of Free School Meals. If parents or carers are experiencing financial difficulty they are invited to write in confidence to the Head Teacher for support with the cost of the visit.

Music

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

We employ Music Teachers to teach instruments such as the recorder and guitar. There is no charge for this tuition.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in upper Key Stage 2. These lessons take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity.

Breakfast Club

Children who have been in receipt of Free School Meals at some point in their school life are provided with free breakfast.

Children who have never been in receipt of Free School Meals are charged for their breakfast. The cost is £1 per day.

After School Activities

The majority of After School Activities are free for all children.

- Football
- Db Primary - Learning Platform
- Gymnastics (Saturday morning Harewood Sports Hall)
- Cooking Club
- Singing Club
- Table Tennis (Tuesday evening from 5.30 - 6.30pm Harewood Sports Hall)

Charity Events and Sponsorship

Harewood Primary School supports a number of charitable events such as Children in Need, Comic Relief, Poppy Day and Butterwick Hospice. We ensure that contributions are manageable and usually suggest £1 per child / family. All children are included in the events to commemorate the day. No child is excluded through inability to pay.

Book Bags and Uniform

These items are for sale and school makes no profit on them. We have a supply of all these items available for those experiencing financial difficulties. Please contact Louise Anderson (Parent Support Advisor) or J Conway (Headteacher) in confidence if help is needed.

Harewood Tots - Pre-School Group

The Parent Support Advisors organise a pre-school stay and play session at Riverbank Children's Centre. There is no charge for this provision and transport can be provided free of charge using the school minibus.

Christmas Party

All children are provided with a party tea at Christmas at no charge.

Gifted and Talented Children

In our school we aim to provide a curriculum that is appropriate to the needs and abilities of all our children. We plan our teaching and learning in such a way that we enable each child to reach for the highest level of personal achievement. We support children who have been identified as gifted and talented by taking part in festivals and competitions with no charge.

Some of the activities we attend are:

- Table Tennis Regional and National Finals
- Choir Events and competitions
- Inter school Sporting Events
- Music Grade Exams

Equal Opportunities

We do not discriminate against anyone, be they staff or pupil, on the grounds of their sex, race, colour, religion, nationality, ethnic or national origins. This is in line with the 1976 Race Relations Act and covers both direct and indirect discrimination.

This Policy has been approved by the full Governing Body of Harewood Primary School.