

Llwydcoed Primary School

Charging and Remissions Policy

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Growing, Striving,
Achieving and Believing

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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 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.

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. 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. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- school trips abroad;
- musical 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 do not make any charge for the education or travel expenses. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging. Parents whose children are entitled to Free School meals will be entitled to some financial assistance from the school.

4 Music tuition

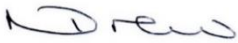
- 4.1** All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. Some take part in additional activities, e.g. choir. We do not charge for this.
- 4.2** There is no charge for individual or group music tuition carried out by the peripatetic music teachers employed by the RCT Music Service. There is a small charge for lessons given by a private peripatetic music teacher. Parents may, on occasion, be asked to purchase additional items required by pupils studying music. 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 Years 3 to 6. 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 not to take part in swimming lessons.

This policy will be reviewed every two years

Natalie Drew (Head Teacher)



Signed Chair of Governors:



Rhian Grundy

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