



CHINLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHARGING POLICY

INTRODUCTION

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 some individual or small-group music tuition.

The policy should also be read in conjunction with the Nursery charging policy.

EDUCATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS

It is recognised that the school may not charge for tuition, or for the use of materials and equipment by pupils during school hours, nor may a charge be levied for using transport to carry pupils between the school and an activity during school hours.

The school does have the right to charge for musical instrument tuition during school hours provided:

- a) The pupils are not taught in groups greater than four.
- b) The teaching is not an essential part of the National Curriculum.
- c) No public examination syllabus is being followed.

Parents may be invited to make voluntary contributions towards school-time activities. However, it must be made clear that such contributions are voluntary and that the children of parents who make no contribution will not be discriminated against in any way (no pupil may be omitted because his parents cannot or will not make a contribution).

The above regulations also apply to activities which take place mainly during school hours but which 'spill over' into non-school hours.

Non-school organisations are entitled to organise activities for pupils during school hours and may charge for such activities. However parents have the obligation to obtain the permission of the school for the absence of their children from school, and the school reserves the right to reject such requests.

EDUCATION OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

The school reserves the right to charge parents for activities organised outside school hours provided such activities are:

- a. not a necessary part of the National Curriculum.
- b. not part of religious education.

'Activities outside school hours' are taken to also include activities which take place mainly outside school hours but which 'spill over' into school hours.

RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITIES

Residential activities which:-



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- d) are held mainly in school hours
- e) are concerned with essential parts of the National Curriculum
- f) are concerned with religious education

incur no charges for education. However, charges can be made for accommodation and travel.

Residential activities held mainly outside school hours are classified as 'optional extras' and the school is entitled to levy charges accordingly.

EBNOC – BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION

Parents who use EBNOC are charged to meet the full cost of providing this service. The school may not subsidise EBNOC from the general education budget.

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