

BEALINGS SCHOOL

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY 2023



1 Introduction

The Governing Body recognises the valuable contribution that the wide range of activities, including clubs, trips, and residential experiences can make towards a pupil's personal and social education.

The Governing Body aims to promote and provide such activities both as part of a broad and balanced curriculum for the pupils of the school and as additional optional activities.

2 Charges

The Governing Body reserves the right to make a charge in the following circumstances for activities organised by the school:

2.1 School Journeys in School Hours

Travel and entry costs for school visits.

The board and lodging element of residential activities deemed to take place within school hours.

2.2 Activities outside School Hours

The full cost to each pupil of activities deemed to be optional extras taking place outside school hours such as theatre trips.

2.3 Materials & Equipment

The cost of purchase or hire of instruments, materials, equipment or clothing for activities which take place outside school hours and which are purely voluntary and optional.

2.4 Music Tuition

Any costs associated with individual tuition in the playing of a musical instrument whether in or out of school hours (unless it is required by the National Curriculum).

2.5 General

The cost of repairing damage and replacing equipment (lost, defaced or damaged) remains the responsibility of the parents when this damage or loss is the result of their child's behaviour or negligence.

The Governing Body may from time to time, amend the categories of activity for which a charge may be made.

Nothing in this policy statement precludes the Governing Body from inviting parents to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of providing education for pupils.

3. Remissions

The Governing Body may from time to time decide to remit all or part of the cost of activities involving particular pupils. This will be at the Governors' discretion. In other circumstances, there may be cases of family hardship, which make it difficult for pupils to take part in particular activities for which a charge is made. When arranging a chargeable activity, the Governing Body will invite parents to apply in confidence for the remission of charges in part or in full. Authorisation of remission will be made by the Co-Headteachers on behalf of the Governors. All parents, however, will have the right of appeal to the Governing Body, normally represented by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of Governors.

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