

St Peter's Brafferton CE (VA) Primary School **Charging and Remissions Policy**

This charging policy informs staff and parents about charging for school activities. It conforms to the requirements of the guidance detailed in 'A Guide to the Law for School Governors'.

In accordance with these guidelines, St Peter's Brafferton CE VA Primary School:

- Will not charge for books, materials, equipment and instruction in connection with the National Curriculum or Statutory Religious Education taught at school, except where parents have indicated their wish to purchase the product.
- Will not charge for any activities which take place in school time, apart from instrumental tuition for individuals or pupils in groups.
- May charge for school time activities by inviting parents and others to make voluntary contributions. Children of parents who do not contribute will not be treated differently to those who do make contributions.
- Will have the right to cancel an activity if there are insufficient voluntary contributions to make the activity possible.
- Will ask for a voluntary contribution for board and lodging on residential courses, except for pupils whose parents are receiving income support; Jobseeker's Allowance; support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999; Child Tax Credit, provided the parent is not entitled to working tax credit and their annual income does not exceed the prescribed amount; Guaranteed State Pension Credit.
- May permit organisations to charge parents, when such an organisation is acting independently of the school or local authority, for an activity taking place during school hours when parents want their children to join in the activity.
- May charge for activities (optional extras) which happen outside school hours when activities are not a necessary part of the National Curriculum, such as the breakfast and after school provision and extra-curricular clubs.
- Parents may be asked to make a contribution towards replacing damaged or lost school property, caused wilfully or negligently by their children.

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