

Pencaerau Primary School

“Learning for Life”



Marking and Feedback Policy

2020 - 2021

Charging and Remissions Policy 2020 - 2021

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 individual or group music tuition.

Voluntary contributions

When organising educational visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the visit. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a visit.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school visit or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the visit or activity. We do not treat these children differently from any others. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each visit is costed. The school provides this information on request.

The following is a list of additional activities organized 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 visits abroad;
- residential visits in this country
- musical events.
- fundraising events

Residential visits

If the school organises a residential educational 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 and lodging and part cover the cost of transport.

Music tuition

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

There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. We make a charge for these lessons. We give

parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Key Stage 2. 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 to take part in swimming lessons.

Sporting Activities

The school can offer additional football, rugby etc coaching after school, in addition to our own after school clubs, run by external, qualified coaches who are not a members of the school staff. It may be necessary for us to make a small charge for these sessions on behalf of the relevant organisation.

School minibus

We reserve the right to charge children if they are transported in the minibus to an extra-curricular activity. However, we use these charges only to cover the expenses of the visit, and not to make a profit.

Loss or damage to school property

The parents of a pupil who damages or loses an item of school property wilfully or negligently, for example windows or computer equipment, are liable for the cost of repair or replacement. The school strives to resolve all problems amicably.

Charging for the use of School Premises

The school budget cannot be used to subsidise non-school activities, and community use of the school must at least cover the cost of letting the school building. The charges set by the school cover the cost of opening the school, including the cost of caretaker time and utilities. The charges to be levied for the hire of school premises are to be determined, at the time of hire, by the Governing Body.

Review

All policies are dated and a review date set.

Date of next review

Autumn Term 2021