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STATEMENT OF POLICY ON CHARGING FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Charges

The school will apply any charges levied by the LEA for services which it provides and also the remission arrangements for which the Authority considers appropriate. The school reserves the right to levy a charge in any circumstances permissible under the Education Reform Act.

Voluntary Contributions

Parents may be asked to make voluntary contributions for any visit or journey organised by the school and approved by the governors. Although the matter of a voluntary contribution will not be a factor in deciding whether a pupil is allowed to participate in an activity to be financed by voluntary contributions, the school reserves the absolute right to determine whether the level of voluntary contributions is sufficient to enable the activity to take place.

Remissions

The governors shall apply the statutory minimum remissions to any charges which they make; that is, in respect of pupils whose parents are in receipt of income support or family credit. Any further remission of charges will be at the absolute discretion of the governors.

Breakages

The governors reserve the right to ask parents to contribute to the cost of replacement items incurred as a result of breakages, loss or damage to books, equipment or material, other than normal wear and tear.

Charging in Kind

Where parents indicate in advance that they wish to own the finished product of a practical activity they may be asked to provide or pay for the required ingredients, materials and equipment etc. No child will be at a disadvantage because of their parent's unwillingness or inability to pay.



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