

Bailey Green Primary and Nursery 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 individual or group music tuition provided by external organisations.

Voluntary contributions

When organising school trips or visits, which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

If by any chance we have a surplus of money from a trip (greater than £5.00) we will advise parents of this amount and ask if they will apply to school if they would like their money returned. If they do not apply the money will go back into school fund for future trips.

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;
- Musical events.

Residential visits

Residential visits are optional. Charges for residential visits cover board, lodging, travel, insurance and any additional costs levied by the travel company. School endeavours to keep costs to a minimum. Any child not attending the residential visit is educated in school as normal. If a child drops out of the residential for whatever reason the deposit will not be refunded! School has to pay deposits up front to hold the place at the residential.

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.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in school. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We swim every Tuesday at the Lakeside Centre. There is no cost to the swimming as we now have our own minibus to transport the children.

Football/basketball

The school may offer additional football/basketball coaching after school. A qualified FA coach, who is not a member of the school staff may, run and organise these sessions. The coaches make their own charges.

After school clubs

Presently After school clubs taken by staff are free unless they ask for a donation for the cookery club!