



Charging Policy

Aims

To clarify and reassure parents of issues concerning incurring cost.

Objectives

- All of the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils with the exception of individual or small group music costs.
- When organising non residential school trips or visits to enrich the curriculum and the educational experience of the children, the schools will invite parents to contribute to the cost. 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.
- To enrich the curriculum, additional activities are organised by the teaching staff, and sometimes these will require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras' e.g. visits to museums; sporting activities which require transport expenses; outdoor adventure activities; visits to or by a theatre company; school trips abroad; musical events.

Residential Trips

Crongy Berry School does organise residential trips for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. These are optional. They do incur costs and therefore a charge is made. Parents with any financial concerns can speak to the School Administrator or Headteacher if they wish to request support from the Department of Education, Sport and Culture.

Music tuition

All children participate in musical activities as part of the normal school learning programme.

However, additional lessons are led by the Department's peripatetic music teachers. For these lessons a charge is made, but consideration is given to those on benefits.

Monitoring

The Governors, School Administrator and Senior Management Team monitor and review this policy regularly in line with the DESC Charging Policy.

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