

Charges and Remissions Policy

Carlton Junior & Infant School



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Charging Policy

Rationale

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 school visits, which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a visit. If a visit goes ahead, it will include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. 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 funded and the school provides this information on request.

The following is a list of additional activities organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- Visits to museums, theatre, places of interest, seaside etc.
- Visitors into school, e.g. history days, story tellers, pantomime
- Sporting activities
- Outdoor adventure activities
- Musical events

Residential visits

If the school organises a residential 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 travel, board and lodging. Parents who are in receipt of income support should contact the office to ask if any assistance is available.

Music tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. However, peripatetic music lessons are charged direct to parents by Kirklees Music School. The school provides information about additional music tuition.

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.

Sports coaching

The school offers additional sports coaching after school. Qualified sports instructors, who are not a members of the school staff, run and organise these sessions. We make a small charge for these sessions.

Extra-Curricular clubs

A variety of after school clubs are available for children at a small cost where applicable.

Pupil Premium and Hardship Fund

Dream Aspire Achieve

Where children lack opportunities out of school, we make every effort to include them in the wider curriculum as well as helping families in poverty through the hardship fund.