

## Charging Policy Priory Junior School

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### Policy Statement

This Charging Policy informs staff and parents about charging for School activities. It conforms to the requirements of the guidance detailed in 'A Guide to the Law for School Governors – Chapter 16.

In accordance with these guidelines Priory Junior School:

- Will not charge for books, materials, equipment and instruction in connection with the National Curriculum or Statutory Religious Education taught at school, except where parents have indicated in advance their wish to purchase the product.
- Will not charge for any activities which take place in School time, apart from instrumental tuition for individual pupils or pupils in groups of up to four.
- May invite parents to make a voluntary contribution for School-Time activities to enable School funds go further. Children of parents who do not contribute will not be treated differently from those who do make contributions.
- Will have the right to cancel an activity if there are insufficient voluntary contributions to make the activity possible.
- May charge for board and lodgings on residential courses, except for pupils whose parents are eligible for: Income Support; Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance; Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999; or Child Tax Credit (providing that they do not also receive Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, assessed by HM Revenue & Customs, that does not exceed £13,230). The Headteacher will inform parents of the right to claim free activities if they are eligible for these benefits.
- May charge for activities (optional extras), which happen outside School hours when these activities are not necessary part of the National Curriculum.
- Parents are asked to make a contribution towards replacing damaged or lost school property caused wilfully or negligently by their children.
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