

ST MICHAEL'S R.C. PRIMARY

Charging and Remissions Policy

Mission Statement

Our School Will:

- Grow closer to Jesus by loving, valuing and respecting each other.
- Celebrate and develop our God given talents.
- Welcome support from friends in our wider community and reach out to those we can help.
- Be a happy school, creating friendships and wonderful memories.

All activities that are a necessary part of the Religious Education and National Curriculum will be provided free of charge. Voluntary contributions may be sought for activities during the school day which entail additional costs, i.e. educational visits (costs of entry and transport). In these circumstances no pupil will be prevented from participating because his/her parents cannot or will not make a contribution. If insufficient voluntary contributions are forthcoming for an activity and insufficient subsidies are available, then that activity may have to be cancelled. From time to time we may invite a non-school based organisation, such as a theatre company, to arrange an activity during the school day. Such organisations may wish to charge parents.

Optional activities outside of the school day

We will charge for optional, extra activities provided outside of the school day, for example residential visits (PGL week) or some extra-curricular clubs (football activity linked to Bury F.C. for example). Such activities are not part of the R.E work of the school or National Curriculum.

Calculating charges

When charges are made for any activity, whether during or outside of the school day, they will be based on the actual costs incurred, divided by the total number of pupils participating. There will be no levy on those who can pay to support those who can't. There may be support for cases of hardship. The Governing Body may wish to remit in full or in part the cost of other activities for particular groups of parents, for example, in the case of family hardship. When arranging a chargeable activity such parents will be invited in confidence for the remission of charges in full or in part. Authorisation for such remission will be made by the Head Teacher in consultation with the Chair of Governors.