

The Federation of Boskenwyn & Germoe Schools



CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

In accordance with the provisions for charging in the E. R.A. (circular 1/89) The federation of Boskenwyn and Germoe School's policy for charging and remissions is as follows:-

1. Outside visits conducted wholly or mainly during school hours

The cost per child for a proposed trip will be determined.

A letter will be sent to parents informing them of the proposed educational visit and the proportionate cost per child. Parents will be invited to make a voluntary contribution up to the cost per child. Inability or unwillingness to pay will not prevent a child from being involved in the visit.

Voluntary contribution for swimming will go up to £4.50 per child per visit. However, if the schools contributions far outweigh that of parents, then the activity may need to be cancelled.

2. <u>Visits wholly or mainly outside school hours including residential</u> visits

The cost per child for a proposed trip will be determined.

A letter will be sent to parents informing them of the proposed educational visit and the proportionate cost per child. Parents will be invited to make a voluntary contribution up to the cost per child. Inability or unwillingness to pay will not prevent a child from being involved in the visit. Subsidies for children who are eligible for Pupil Premium can be sought by parents however, the activity may not go ahead if we have not collected sufficient funds.

3. <u>Visits to school by theatre groups. musicians etc. during school</u> hours

Parents will be invited to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of these events on a cost per child basis. Inability or unwillingness to pay will not prevent a child from taking part in "bought in" activities, however, it may not go ahead if we do not have sufficient funds.

Educational visits which take place during or outside school hours are organised to compliment, broaden and deepen children's experiences. It is the wish of the Governors that all children should benefit from these visits. Therefore parents will be asked to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of such visits. Where the cost is large, e.g. residential camps, parents will be offered the opportunity to pay by instalments. Inability or unwillingness to pay will not preclude any child from taking part in a visit. Any deficit which may occur will be covered from the school funds. The school will keep a record of the total deficits should they occur in order to review the viability of different types of visit. This will then allow the

Governors to consider whether or not the School Budget can continue to support this policy.

Subsidies for children who are eligible for Pupil Premium can be sought by parents

4. <u>Visits to school by theatre groups, musicians etc. outside hours</u>

Admittance will be charged at cost as above

5. Equipment and Materials

School provides all materials and equipment needed for the delivery of the National Curriculum. The school will charge for materials which could be used again, if parents express a wish to own them, e.g. batteries and bulbs used in models.

6. Breakages and damage to property

The School reserves the right to charge for repairs where damage is non-accidental. **A standard charge of £5** will be charged when a child loses a reading book or the book is damaged beyond repair. Until this is paid, the child can access school books during school time only.

7. Library Books

Children will be allowed to exchange library books weekly (the amount of books on loan may vary but will not exceed three at a time). If a book is not returned three reminders will be issued and the child will only be able to access library books in school. If the book is lost or damaged beyond repair, the parent/carer will be given the opportunity to replace it or to be charged £5

8. School lunches

The cost of school lunches will rise from £2.20 to £2.50 from September 2023. This will be revised at the next governing body meeting in line with rising costs and revision of the menu.

9. After school care and Breakfast club

The cost of after school care and breakfast club is £3 per hour for all children except those eligible for Free School Meals, for whom it is £2 per hour. If a parent is late to collect their child then they will be charged extra (unless an exceptional circumstance which we have been made aware of) as follows:

£3 per 15 minutes

10. Nysgerrig Kindergarten

Charges: £15 per session (3 hours) for children awaiting 3 year old funding.

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