



Cleves School
Learning Together

CHARGING & REMISSIONS POLICY

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This is the Cleves Vision Statement:

At Cleves we aim to develop an inclusive community
in which each individual feels supported and secure
and through which everyone has an equal opportunity to succeed

At Cleves we aim to teach skills, knowledge and
understanding which pupils need to lead confident, healthy
lives and to become informed, active and responsible citizens
through the provision of a broad, balanced curriculum

At Cleves we are all learners, striving to progress and develop.

Through challenge, we achieve high standards

In order to deliver this vision Cleves arranges a wide range of enrichment activities – workshops, special days in and outside of school premises, residential visits. We could not do this without the financial support of parents.

Extra activities can be categorised as follows:

- Curriculum enhancement - see voluntary contribution
- Optional enhancement – see Optional extras

Voluntary contributions – this is for whole year group events which we would expect every child to attend. The contribution is voluntary i.e if you are unable or unwilling to pay you do not have to. However if we did not receive enough voluntary contributions we would cancel the event.

An event supported by voluntary contribution can be in or out of school hours. The price will include the costs of that event only – we would not intend making a profit.

Optional extras – these events are ones where parents can opt in or out eg: opera, ballet. For any optional extra, there is a fund to support parents who fulfil certain criteria. Again we do not make a profit but must cover the cost of the trip/event.

Whether the event is classed as voluntary contribution or an optional extra the school may fund raise to support it through bidding to charities or through school organised events.

Residential Visits

These are a little more complex. We are allowed legally to charge for board and lodging but other costs eg: coach travel, activities etc must be classed as voluntary contributions

If you are unable to pay for your child, we are able to support you under certain circumstances, although we would ask you to contribute towards the cost.

If you are unwilling to pay we would be forced to cancel the trip as we have no resource to support in this case.

Music Tuition

Charges may be made for teaching either an individual pupil or groups of any appropriate size (provided that the size of the group is based on sound pedagogical principles) to play a musical instrument or to sing. (For more detailed information please refer to the DCSF guidance on our school website)

Payment in kind – For some clubs, parents may be asked in advance to pay for materials necessary in order to complete the activity. This payment operates on the same basis as a voluntary contribution.

This policy has been written in accordance with DCSF guidelines and applies from 21st April 2010

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