

Burton Salmon Community Primary School

Charging Policy

All education during school hours is free. At Burton Salmon Community School we do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum, with the exception of some individual or small-group tuition.

Voluntary Contributions

When organising school visits to enrich the curriculum and the education 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 trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school visit or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. 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. This list is not exhaustive.

- Visits to museums;
- Sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- Outdoor adventure activities;
- Residential visits
- Visits to or by a theatre company;
- Musical events.

Residential visits

Parents who receive state benefits are exempt from payments.

Music tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. There is a charge for individual or small-group music tuition, since this is an additional curriculum activity, and not part of the National Curriculum. These individual or small -group lessons are taught by peripatetic music teachers. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the end of the academic year.

Swimming

At Burton Salmon Community Primary School we organise swimming lessons. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We therefore make no charge for this activity but we do charge for transport to and from the swimming pool at Sherburn High School. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their written permission for their child to take part in extra-curricular activities

Extra-curricular activities

There may be occasions during the school year when the school will offer additional coaching after school. Qualified coaches, who are not members of the school staff, will run and organise these sessions with the children. We sometimes make a small charge for these sessions.

Monitoring and review

This policy is monitored by the governing body, and will be reviewed in two years, or earlier if necessary.

(Signature) _____ (Head Teacher) _____ (date)

(Signature) _____ (Chair of Governors) _____ (date)