



**Our moral obligation is to help our children become successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens, and we believe that this policy for charging and remissions, will help us achieve this goal.**

### **Section 1: Context**

We believe that all education during school hours should be free and that all children should be fully included. We do not therefore, charge for any activity undertaken as part of the curriculum. We do seek voluntary contributions for some activities from our parents and carers that take place both in and outside of normal school hours. All such requests are carefully considered and reviewed before any request is made.

### **Section 2: Voluntary Contributions**

The school invites parents and carers to contribute to the cost of school trips or visits. All contributions are voluntary and all parents and carers are able to meet with the school in order to discuss any voluntary contributions that have been requested by the school.

Sometimes the school will pay additional costs in order to support the activity and these costs are reviewed after each event or activity in order to review the future viability of the activity. This may mean in extreme circumstances that regrettably, some trips or visits may not be able to go ahead.

If the school organises a residential visit in school time or mainly school time, we do not make any charge for the education or travel expenses. We do seek a contribution to cover the costs of board and lodging.

### **Sections 3: Swimming**

The school organises swimming lessons for children in Year 3 or 4. These take place in school time and as part of the National Curriculum for children in Key Stage 2. We ask for voluntary contributions from parents and carers towards the cost of these lessons. These lessons usually take place in the second half of the Summer Term.

### **Section 4: Review**

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis or when changes happen due to legislation.

