

Rounds Green Primary School Charging and Remissions Policy

1 Introduction

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum. This policy sets out the principles upon which the school will operate charges and remissions by:

- Making clear what will be provided without charge and what will be offered with a charge being made;
- Clarifying what is meant by any request for voluntary contributions.

2 Voluntary Contributions

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. 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 trip 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. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums;
- trips to fire station;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- trips to farms/zoo;
- musical events;
- school visits linked to the curriculum.

3 Residential Visits

If the school organises a residential visit parents are requested to cover the cost of the visit, including transport.

4 Music Tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this.

There is no charge for individual or group music tuition taught by peripatetic music teachers.

5 Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Key Stage 2 and for Year 2 pupils. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place.

6 After School Clubs/Breakfast Clubs

The school offers a breakfast club and a variety of after school clubs during the school year. The school charges a small fee for each session. Clubs are:

- Breakfast club runs from 8.00am to 8.45am;
- After school clubs run from 3.15pm to 4.45pm;
- Late club which runs from 4.45pm to 5.15pm.

All clubs are charged at £2.50 per session and need to be booked on ParentPay. Bookings are required for the half term and paid in advance.