



## **Thorner's Church of England VA Primary School** **Charging and Remissions Policy**

Every school must have, and publish for parents, its charging policy. This policy lists the decisions of the Governing Body.

### **General**

All equipment, materials and resources necessary for the education of pupils will be provided free of charge.

### **Loss or damage**

Loss of or damage to books, equipment or other school property may, depending on the circumstances, be charged to the parents of the pupil responsible, to cover the cost of either repair or replacement as appropriate.

### **Charging for materials**

Parents of pupils who are on practical courses (such as D&T or Art) and who wish their children to own the finished product will be charged for the materials used.

### **Activities within the school day**

- The school will do everything it can to keep costs to parents for any such activities to a minimum.
- Any payment from parents for these activities will be voluntary but, if parents are unable or unwilling to contribute, it may be that the activity will not be able to take place.
- Pupils will never be treated differently whether or not their parents have made payments.

### **Activities outside the school day**

Payment may be required for pupils to take part.

### **Residential visits**

- Unless there are exceptional circumstances, payment will be required in respect of residential visits taking place mainly outside school time.
- Pupils whose families are entitled to Income Support or other qualifying benefits may be eligible to receive funding to cover the costs of board and lodging (please contact the school office for further information).

### **Music tuition**

The school may charge for music tuition when provided outside normal classroom activities.

### **Pupil Premium**

If a pupil is entitled to the Pupil Premium, the school will advise parents that financial support may be available.

### **Delegation**

The Governing Body delegates to the Headteacher the power to decide the specific amounts of charges and contributions due within the terms of this policy.

In accordance with the Equality Duty we seek to ensure that all pupils achieve their best, according to their capabilities and regardless of their special needs, disability, gender, race, culture, social, economic, ethnic, religious background and denominational diversity.

Thorner's CE VA Primary School recognises that the welfare of the child is paramount and takes seriously its responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of the children and young people in its care.

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