

# Lockerley Church of England Endowed Primary School

**‘Believe Together, Achieve Together’**

## Charging and Remissions

**Love - Courage – Respect**

*‘We show love and compassion for others by truly helping them,  
and not merely talking about it’*

*1 John 3:18*

### **Introduction**

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum.

### **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 and historical sites;
- visitors to the school who charge a fee;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- fieldwork activities;
- musical events.

### **Residential Visits**

If the school organises a residential visit in school time (or mainly school time) which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make any charge for the education expenses, although voluntary contributions may be requested. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of transport, board and lodging. Parents who receive certain state benefits are exempt from payment.

### **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 group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. We make a charge for these lessons. Parents in receipt of certain state benefits are exempt from payment. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

## **Sports**

The school may offer additional sports coaching after school. Qualified coaches, who are not members of the school staff, run and organise these sessions. We fund these sessions using a variety of funding and therefore these sessions may incur a cost if needed.

## **Government Acts**

The Governing Body has determined:

- 1 to charge the statutory maximum fee in respect of a request made under the Data Protection Act 1998
- 2 to charge a fee not exceeding the cost of supply in respect of a request made under the Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2000; and
- 3 to charge a fee, in accordance with relevant regulations, in respect of a request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.