



St Loys Primary Academy

Charging & Remissions Policy

1. Background.

- 1.1 The following statement represents St Loys Church of England Primary Academy Governors' Policy on Charging and Remissions, pursuant to the 1988 Education Reform Act (D.E.S. Circular No 2/89).
- 1.2 The Governors welcome the valuable contribution which the whole range of school visits and other experiences (eg. residential and extra-curricular activities) make to the pupils' educational, spiritual, social and cultural development.

2. Charges.

- 2.1 It is the Governors' Policy that charges may be made for the following types of activities.
 - i) The Governors may charge board and lodgings for residential activities which take place mainly within school hours (eg. visits to residential centres). 'Outside hours' activities may be fully charged, unless they form a requirement of the National Curriculum.
 - ii) In Art, Craft, Design and Technology a charge for materials used may be levied where parents wish their child to keep the finished article.
In Cookery parents are expected to pay for any ingredients where the pupils will be keeping the finished product. (N.B. The School may sell any products not required by the pupils who have made them.)
 - iii) In transportation for swimming lessons where a charge is made to the School.
 - iv) Any individual instrumental tuition not required as part of the National Curriculum may be charged for.
- 2.2 The Governors may invite parents to make a voluntary contribution to the cost of providing education for pupils (eg. visits). When such an activity is proposed, it will first be necessary to see whether the voluntary contributions of parents will be enough to allow the activity to take place.

3. Remissions.

- 3.1 For pupils' parents on Family Credit or Income Support (or similar replacements), the Governors will remit the cost of board and lodging for a residential activity which takes place mainly in school hours or which is part of the syllabus of the National Curriculum.
- 3.2 In any cases of hardship which make it difficult for pupils to take part in 'charged' activities, parents may apply in confidence to the Headteacher for a partial or full remission of charges. The Headteacher will consult the Chairman of Governors and thereafter authorise any agreed remission or subsidy.

4. Evaluation

This Policy is reviewed by the Finance and Premises Committee. Any changes felt necessary will be taken when appropriate to the full Governing Body for approval.

5. References.

Education Reform Act 1988. Charges for School Activities. Circular no 2/89. Department of Education and Science. H.M.S.O.