Park Way Primary School

Charging Policy

The Governor Charging Policy under sections 449 -462 of the Education Act 1996 is as follows:-

<u>Aim</u>

To enable all pupils to take full advantage of the activities provided by the school.

1. There is no charge for:

Admission to the School

Education on site during school hours (including books, material, instruments and equipment)

2. The Governors reserve the right to charge for:

Swimming lessons or any other activity which takes place more than 50% outside the school day.

Materials used in Technology, Craft and Cookery where parents will receive the finished article.

Individual or small group tuition in playing any musical instrument.

Damage to, or loss of, school property (other than accidental)

Residential activity

Activities (including breakfast club) outside the normal school day. Participation in such activities is on the basis of parental choice and a willingness to meet the charges.

3. School visits and visiting groups:

Both school visits and visiting groups are very desirable since they enrich the curriculum. These can only be provided if there is sufficient voluntary funding. In many cases the school will subsidise visits making them more affordable for parents before a voluntary contribution is asked for. No parent is obliged to contribute towards the cost of any activity and no child is excluded from a visit or activity if parents decline to pay a voluntary contribution towards the activity.

However, if there is a difference between the actual cost and the contributions received, the school reserves the right to cancel that activity for all pupils, refunding all voluntary contributions which have been paid.

4. Remission of charges:

When parents are notified about a forthcoming school visit they are always reminded that in cases of hardship they should discuss the matter in confidence with the Head Teacher.