Ashfield Primary School



Charging and Remissions Policy

Sections 449-462 of the Education Act 1996 set out the law on charging for school activities in schools maintained by local authorities in England.

Amongst things school does not charge for:

- education provided during school hours (including the supply of any materials, books, instruments or other equipment);
- tuition for pupils learning to play musical instruments if the tuition is required as part of the National Curriculum
- Swimming as this is part of the National Curriculum.

School does charge for:

- any materials, books, instruments, or equipment, where the child's parent wishes him to own them;
- music tuition for individual/small groups with a specialist teacher;
- optional extras; this includes after-school clubs (because this is education provided outside of school time that is not part of the National Curriculum)

Voluntary Contributions

We ask parents / carers for a voluntary contribution for specific school activities (usually a class trip or to pay for a visitor to school). Sometimes, PTA offer a contribution towards costs. No child is excluded from an activity simply because his or her parents / carers are unwilling or unable to pay. If insufficient voluntary contributions are raised to fund an activity, then it would be cancelled. Often, school pays additional costs in order to support the event. Any parent struggling to afford these costs is encouraged to contact school. The Headteacher will always try to make a suitable arrangement.

Date ratified by the governing body of Ashfield Primary School 24th January 2024

Next review date: Spring 2025

Associated Policies:

SEND Learning and Teaching Equal Opportunities Pricing Policy