

ROSEMARY LANE NURSERY SCHOOL



CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

INTRODUCTION

The Governing Body recognises the valuable contribution that the wide range of additional activities, including clubs, practical activities and visits can make towards pupils' personal and social education. The Governing Body aims to promote and provide such activities both as part of a broad, balanced curriculum for the pupils of the school and as additional optional activities.

CHARGING POLICY

Any charges made by the school must meet the requirements of the Education Reform Act 1996. The Governors endorse the guiding principles contained in the Act, in particular that no child should have his/her access to the curriculum limited by charges.

CHARGES

Charges will not be made for any activities which form part of the "Early Years Foundation Stage" requirements. No charge can be made for education during school hours.

The Governing Body reserves the right to make a charge in the following circumstances for activities organised by the school:

Activities outside school hours or to extend the curriculum

The full cost to each pupil of any activities deemed to be optional extras taking place outside school hours, or as an extension to the curriculum, or in the form of visits and visitors to school. The cost will not exceed the actual cost of provision, to include admission costs and transport costs. Wherever possible fund raising will be used to subsidise costs for all children.

Charging in Kind

The cost of materials, ingredients (or provision of them by parents) for practical subjects if the parents have indicated in advance that they wish to own the finished product.

Voluntary Contributions

The Governing Body may ask parents for voluntary contributions towards the cost of any activity that takes place during school hours. This includes daily snacks for children during the sessions. Parents are under no obligation to make any contribution and pupils of parents who are unable or unwilling to contribute will not be discriminated against. In the event of insufficient voluntary contributions being made the activity may have to be cancelled and refunds will be given.

CHILD CARE

Parents are given the option to purchase additional Nursery hours to top up the universal fifteen hours funded by the government, from the term after they turn three. This is in direct response to requests from parents for school to provide childcare facilities when both adults in the family home work. Parents pay £15 for a lunch and afternoon or £2.50 for lunchtime care. Parents of children attending for 30hours and 15hours can extend these hours through breakfast club from 7.45am to 8.45am (£5.00) and early drop off from 8.15am to 8.45am (£2.50) *[when there is enough demand for this service to be viable]*

BREAKAGES

In cases of wilful or malicious damage to equipment or breakages, or loss of school books and equipment on loan to pupils the Head Teacher in consultation with the Chair of the Governing Body may decide to make a charge. Each incident will be dealt with on its own merit and at their discretion.

GENERAL

The Governing Body may, from time to time amend the categories for which a charge may be made. The Governing Body reserve the right to review the Charging and remissions policy as necessary.

This policy will be regularly reviewed and updated as part of the school's overall CPD plan.

Reviewed – September 2020

Head Teacher: Mrs Jill Jones

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Chair of Finance committee: Mrs Joanne Watson

Signed: _____ Date: _____