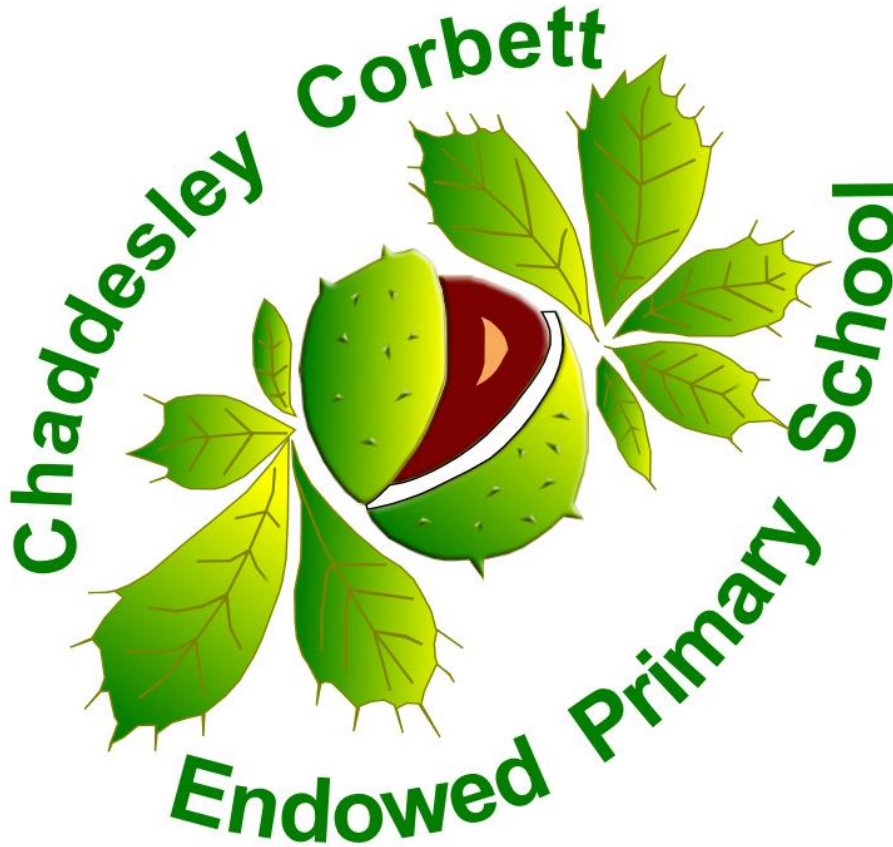


CHADDESLEY CORBETT ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL



CHARGING POLICY

Approved by the Governing Body on: 19th June 2015

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Education Reform Act 1988 prevents schools from charging for education in school hours (with some exceptions). This means that charges cannot be made, for instance, for transport or administration charges for outings, nor for visiting speakers or groups.
- 1.2. It is the intention of the Governors, Headteacher and their staff to encourage a wide variety of activities for children who will enrich the basic education provided in this school.
- 1.3. 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. Individual circumstances where the voluntary contribution may be difficult can be discussed in confidence with the Headteacher.
- 1.4. Remission of charges, in keeping with Worcestershire County Council Policy, certain charges may be remitted under guidelines laid down by the LEA.
- 1.5. No pupil will be left out of an activity because a voluntary contribution cannot or will not be made.
- 1.6. 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'.
- 1.7. The school does not receive any additional funding to support these activities. This list is not exhaustive:
 - Offsite visits /activities to support the curriculum
 - sporting activities which require transport expenses
 - visits to the theatre/visiting companies/entertainment in school
 - musical events/tickets /transport costs

RESIDENTIAL VISITS

2.1 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 education. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging, transport and insurance.

MUSIC TUITION

3.1 All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum and we do not make a charge for this.

3.2 However, 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 and we make a charge for these lessons. We hold a waiting list for places and give parents information about additional music tuition as and when spaces are available.

SWIMMING

4.1 The School organises swimming lessons for all children. These take place during school time and are part of the National Curriculum for Key Stage 2. Apart from the cost of transporting children, we make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their

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written permission for their child to take part in swimming lessons and to contribute towards the cost of transport

Wilful Damage to or loss of School Property

5.1 When pupils damage school property or lose school equipment they will be asked to make an appropriate contribution to compensate the loss or damage.

EXTENDED SCHOOL AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

6.1 The School offers additional activities both before and after school. Reasonable charges are made for these sessions to cover staffing costs, equipment and insurance.

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