



HIGHFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL

SCHOOL CHARGING POLICY

M19 April 2018

The School Governors have agreed to adopt the L.A. policy for Charges for School Activities which is outlined as follows in accordance with the 1988 Finance Act:-

1. Optional Extra Activities Outside School Hours

The full cost for activities, including residential visits which take place out of school hours may be charged to parents. In fixing the charge, the school may take account of the costs for travel, board and lodging for supervising staff.

2. Visits to Field Study Centres partly or fully during School Hours

No charge will be made for such visits, other than board and lodging charges. The Governors recognise that full remission from the charge for board and lodging is available to pupils whose families are in receipt of Universal Credits.

3. Musical Instruments

Tuition is offered in a wide variety of instruments (a tuition fee is charged per term). Any parent interested should contact the school. If pupils make use of an instrument provided by the Authority or School, a charge is made in respect of the maintenance of the instrument.

4. Materials for Practical Lessons

Voluntary contributions or provision of goods in kind may be requested from parents for materials for practical lessons (Design Technology, Home Economics or other subject areas as the Governing Body may from time to time determine), if parents indicate in advance a wish to own the finished product.

5 Visits in support of the Curriculum which are desirable but not essential

The Governing Body recognises that the school may wish to offer opportunities for pupils to broaden the range of experience in connection with certain curriculum areas during school hours. Such opportunities might comprise: an educational visit to an historical site, a theatre visit, work in an art gallery or museum, or the use of public swimming pools.

The Governing Body's policy is to encourage the school to work jointly with parents in this respect, and invite voluntary contributions from parents, whether generally to school funds or specifically for certain activities, in accordance with 1988 Finance Act.

Signed: _____
Chair of Governors

Signed: _____
Headteacher

Date: _____

Review date: March 2019