



Stocksfield Avenue Primary

Charging and Remissions Policy

Educational Visits, Field Trips and visits to school by external providers

In order to offer our pupils a wide variety of activities we will sometimes need to ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards additional costs. Voluntary contributions may be requested in respect of:

- a field trip (e.g. visit to a site of historical or geographical significance)
- an educational visit (e.g. museum etc.)
- on site visit by an external provider (e.g. theatre performance)

Voluntary contributions help to cover the cost of transport by coach or metro and any entrance costs incurred by the school. Voluntary contributions towards on-site visits by external providers help to cover the cost of their transport to Stocksfield Avenue Primary School and daily rate for the services provided.

No child will be excluded from these activities simply because his/her parents are unable to pay. If insufficient voluntary funds are raised to fund a visit, then it must be cancelled.

Residential Visits

Residential visits require a non-refundable deposit to be paid in advance and the balance settled in full before departure. This payment covers board and lodging, beyond the duration of the normal school day. Parents of children qualifying for Free School Meals will be exempt from paying the cost of board and lodging, during a residential visit.

Music Tuition provided by NEMCO (North East Music Co-operative)

There are opportunities for children in years 3 to 6 to play a range of instruments. Lessons take place in school time. On average, children are taught in groups of 3 or 4, although there are occasions when this will vary.

Lessons are taught by visiting teachers from NEMCO and parents are billed for tuition fees directly.

Subject to available funding, school may cover the fees of pupils who are eligible for free school meals. Please note no charge whatsoever will be made for music tuition in respect of a pupil who is looked after by a local authority (within the meaning of section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

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