

## **CHARGING PARENTS FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

This policy is based on the requirements concerning charging parents for school activities and any exemptions, which are incorporated in the 1988 Education Reform Act. The policy also reflects the policy of the Education Authority.

1. **RESIDENTIAL VISITS**  
The school will recover the full cost of residential visits. The school will assist those pupils receiving FSM.
2. **MUSICAL TRAINING DURING SCHOOL HOURS**  
Pupils who are completing GCSE or A/AS Level courses will have their instrumental lessons free as this part of the course. Charges will be payable for other instrumental lessons but a discount will be provided for pupils claiming FSM.
3. **TRANSPORT**  
There is no charge for minor visits to receive education during school hours, or for transport from home to work experience. We ask for a contribution towards the cost of transport to extracurricular activities.
4. **ACTIVITIES OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS (ENTIRELY OR PARTLY)**  
Parents are expected to pay the full cost for these activities, except those necessary to fulfill the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum or Religious Education.
5. **EXAM FEES**  
\* See Examinations Policy
6. **MATERIAL AND TECHNOLOGY FOOD TECHNOLOGY**  
If parents want to keep anything created by their children, they will be charged the full cost.
7. **INTENTIONAL DAMAGE OR BREAKAGE**  
Parents will be charged for any damage on the school grounds resulting from pupil behaviour. If more than one pupil is responsible, the expense is shared between their parents.
8. **ACTIVITIES DURING SCHOOL HOURS**  
We ask for voluntary contributions from parents to hold and support activities. If the contributions are insufficient, the activity will be cancelled.

**Revised Summer 2016**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Chair of Governors)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_