



Children's Support Service

Charging and Remissions Policy

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Vision and Mission

Every child is given the opportunity to maximise their potential, enabling a lasting, positive difference to their life.

To achieve our vision we will:

- Position every child at the heart of all that we do
- Provide every child with individually-tailored learning programmes
- Create positive, safe, caring and supportive environments
- Inspire every child to maximize their potential
- Value and respect every child, building their self-esteem and confidence
- Collaborate with those who need our professional support

We provide a creative curriculum for all the children in our care. It is recognised that educational visits enhance teaching and learning. Where education is provided wholly or mainly during school hours, it should be free. It is therefore not possible to levy a compulsory charge for transport or admission costs for swimming lessons or for visits to museums, etc. during school hours. However, without financial support, the school would not be able to maintain the quality and number of educational experiences we plan to provide for our students.

Voluntary Contributions

Parents may be asked for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of:

- Activities which take place during school hours

Every effort is made to keep the costs reasonable and most activities are subsidised by the school budget or through funding raising means. Charges are based on actual costs incurred, divided by numbers of children attending. The contribution will be genuinely voluntary and the pupils of parents who are unable or unwilling to contribute will not be discriminated against.

Residential Trips

Residential experiences for our students are subsidised by the school.

Remissions

We recognise that certain social issues may make it difficult for children to take part in a particular activity for which a charge is made, or where parents of disadvantaged students are unable to meet the costs. CSS endeavour to provide educational and financial support where needed.