



Ty Isaf Infants and Nursery School

Charging and Remission Policy

Ty Isaf Infants School wishes to provide for all pupils the best possible educational opportunities available within the funds allocated by the Local Authority. The law states that education during normal school hours is to be free of any compulsory charge to parents and the school warmly endorses that principle and is committed to uphold the legal requirements.

At Ty Isaf Infants School we have a commitment to using our School Fund and School Budget wherever possible to offset costs to parents. However, it is widely recognised, that many educationally valuable activities have been and will continue to be dependent upon financial contributions in whole or part from parents. Without that financial support the school would find it impossible to maintain the quality and breadth of the educational provision provided for pupils. The school's concern is to keep financial contributions to a reasonable minimum and to ensure as far as possible that all children are able to take part irrespective of their circumstances.

The law recognises that charges may be made to parents in certain defined circumstances - provided that each school has identified the activities for which charges may be made and is explained the basis on which charges may be reduced or waived for certain pupils. The Governing Body of Ty Isaf Infants School has decided that until further notice its policy will be as follows:

Day visits

For visits occurring during school time, the school may invite a voluntary contribution from the parents to meet costs. For visits outside school time, parents may be charged for allowable costs*. Charges may be waived or reduced at the discretion of the Head Teacher, however, failure to meet the costs may result in the cancellation of a planned visit.

Visitors to school

In line with the school commitment of bringing visitors into school to enrich the curriculum, and provide a depth and breadth to the curriculum, the school may ask for a voluntary contribution for special visits e.g. theatre groups, performance artists.

Residential visits

No charge will be made for:

- Education provided on any visit that takes place during school hours;

- Education provided on any visit that takes place outside school hours if it is part of the Foundation Phase, or part of a syllabus for a prescribed public examination that the pupil is being prepared for at the school, or part of religious education and
- Supply teachers to cover for those teachers who are absent from school accompanying pupils on a residential visit.

A charge will be made for:

- Board and lodging (the charge must not exceed the actual cost)

No child will be excluded from an activity simply because his or her parents are unwilling or unable to pay. If insufficient voluntary contributions are raised to fund a visit, then it will be cancelled.

Instrument and music on an individual basis

The school, may ask for a small contribution for music tuition provided.

Cooking and Technology

A small charge may be made for items made by children in technology and cookery.

Foundation Phase Monies

In line with the requirements of the Foundation Phase parents are asked to make a small but regular contribution. These monies are used to provide pupils with daily fruit.

Lost Books/Equipment

Whilst we understand that occasionally school resources may be mislaid at home, school reserves the right to charge for lost books equipment etc. Arrangements for parents who are in receipt of income support or family credit will be explained upon request.

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| Policy Authorised by: | Mrs Deborah Noble | Chair of Governors | |
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