

Stokes CE Primary School Charging for School Activities Policy



1. The provisions of the 1988 Education Reform Act will be followed.
2. In addition to free provision of education during the school day, pupils whose parents are receiving: income support; income based job seekers allowance; support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1990; or Child Tax Credit (providing that they do not also receive Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, assessed by the Inland Revenue, that does not exceed £13,230) will not be charged board and lodging where otherwise applicable to residential activities. The principal/headteacher undertakes that parents will be told of the right to claim free activities if they are receiving these benefits. Further guidance on the eligibility of children whose families do receive Tax Credits can be found at www.teachernet.gov.uk/docbank/index.cfm?id=3681
3. Charges will normally be made for the following activities:
 - a) Board and lodging on residential visits
 - b) The proportionate cost for an individual child of activities wholly or mainly outside school hours (“optional extras”) to meet the costs of :
 - Travel
 - Materials and equipment
 - Non teaching staff costs
 - Entrance fees
 - Insurance costs
 - c) Individual instrumental or vocal teaching in groups
 - d) Re-sits for public examinations where no further preparation has been provided by the school.
 - e) Costs of non-prescribed examinations and preparations for such examinations outside school areas.
 - f) Any other education, transport or examination fee unless charges are specially prohibited.
4. In accordance with LEA guidance the Governing Body will adopt the Remissions Policy outlined in paragraph 2 above.