

Charges and Remissions Policy

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Introduction

It is the School's aim that all pupils should have an equal opportunity to benefit from school activities. This policy sets out the School's approach to charging and remissions with the intention to ensure transparency in setting charges and ensure all children are provided with the chance to access all provisions on offer.

This policy is based on the Derbyshire County Council's Charges and Remissions Policy. It therefore represents not only the School's but also the Council's Policy on Charges and Remissions.

Sections 449-462 of the Education Act 1996 (revised in 2011) sets out the law on charging for school activities in maintained schools. Parents on low incomes and in receipt of certain benefits may be eligible for support in terms of contributions requested for school visits. Additionally, families in receipt of free school meals are

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entitled to an exemption from paying for the cost of board and lodging on residential visits. Further guidance can be accessed at

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/706830/Charging_for_school_activities.pdf

Under Section 27 (1) of the Education Act 2002 governors have control over the use of school premises, subject to the local authority's general policy that all educational premises should be available whenever possible to provide for the wider educational and recreational needs of children, young people and adults. Therefore schools with available space are permitted to approve lettings in accordance with this policy.

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum with the exception of individual or group music tuition and cost of travel to swimming lessons where appropriate.

1. **Day visits within or mainly within school hours**

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the School will provide these activities free of charge.

2. **Activities outside or mainly outside school hours**

Parents will be expected to meet the full cost. Participation in these activities will be voluntary when the activity is not part of the national curriculum, not part of a syllabus for a prescribed public examination or not part of religious education. Prices for individual activities will be provided to gauge interest. Activities will not run where full costs cannot be recovered. Such events will be run by the PTFA eg summer playgroup or Halloween party.

3. **Ingredients/materials for practical activities such as cookery and craft**

The school will bear the cost of all baking and craft activities in school

4. **Lost school equipment, books, etc.**

Parents will be expected to replace or purchase lost items of school property including IT equipment and books. The cost of these items will be the replacement cost to purchase the same or similar item at the time the loss occurs.

5. **Breakages and damage to school buildings, furniture or property**

In cases of wilful damage to the School building, furniture or its equipment, the School's Head Teacher, in consultation with the Chair of the Governing Body may decide to make a charge. The cost of repairs will be as quoted on an individual basis. Where items cannot be repaired a charge will be made to

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replace the item based on the current cost to buy new at the time the damage was incurred. Each incident will be dealt with on its own merit and at their discretion.

6. Extended Services and Funded Childcare

Parents / Carers who choose to use the School's extended hours provision will be informed in advance of the charges applicable which will be reviewed on an annual basis. The charges for the current year are:

Flagg Nursery School charges from September 2025

Breakfast Club:

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| 7:45am-9am (by prior arrangement) | £9.00 |
| 8.00am-9am | £7.00 |
| 8.30am-9am | £3.50 |

Morning Session – (9am-12pm):

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| 3 & 4 year olds | £20.00 |
| 2 year olds | £22.80 |

Full Day - (9am – 3pm):

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| 3 & 4 year olds | £40.00 |
| 2 year olds | £45.60 |

Additional hours:

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| 3 & 4 year olds | £6.65 per hour |
| 2 year olds | £7.50 per hour |

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| Late pick up charge | £10.00 |
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The charges above will be applied to your child's ParentPay account for payment.

Funded childcare hours require a code applied for by parents (apart from the universal 15 hours of funding for 3- and 4-year-olds). This code must be renewed every 3 months; reminders are sent via e-mail from HMRC several times before a code is due to be renewed. Flagg Nursery School also reminds parents via the Newsletter and Class Dojo. If a code is not renewed or if circumstances change and the family becomes ineligible to receive this funding, funding will be withdrawn. In these situations, parents must pay for these childcare sessions for their child to maintain their place in nursery until this funding is back in place, or they become eligible again.

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7. **Other Charges**

The Head Teacher or Governing Body may levy charges for miscellaneous services up to the cost of providing such services, e.g. Photocopying

8. **Equality**

The School is committed to ensuring equality of opportunity for all pupils, staff, parents, carers and visitors irrespective of their race, gender, disability, religion or belief, sexual orientation, age or pregnancy and maternity.