



Remission and Charges

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Introduction

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 some individual or small group music tuition and in accordance with the costings of the external provider.

Use is made of school funds including the Pupil Premium to subsidise charges for individuals

Voluntary contributions

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents are advised of the full costs of all trips.

The following is a list of additional activities organized by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- school trips abroad;
- musical events.

Residential visits

If the school organises a residential visit in school time or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we may make a charge for the education or travel expenses. We do make a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging. Pupil Premium and Looked After children receive a 10% discount to attend these trips.

Staff should advise parents and carers at the pre-visit briefing of the arrangements for revision of charges.

Music tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. We make a charge for these lessons. Parents in receipt of state benefits are exempt from payment. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for children in Key Stages 1. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their written permission

Football/Multi Skills / Dance

The school offers additional activities through an external provider; there is a small charge for these sessions.

Extra-Curricular Activities

School provides an extensive range of out of school activities, which are free, unless otherwise informed. A qualified FA coach runs and organizes the sessions. If transport is required, there is no charge.

Safeguarding

The school's main aim is to provide a safe, secure and stable base for children helping to protect them from harm. The welfare of the child is of paramount importance to all the adults who work in our school.

To achieve this aim Skelton Primary School will:

- Provide an environment where children feel can learn and develop. One in which they feel safe and encouraged to talk and are listened to.
- Expect all staff including external providers to:
 - annually read and sign that they understand the current DfES document [Keeping children safe in education 2021 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/86222/keeping-children-safe-in-education-2021.pdf)
 - Have an enhanced DBS check

This policy is monitored by the Governing Body and will be reviewed annually.

Head teacher

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