Brookfield Primary School Policies - Charging Policy



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'Be the best you can be'

Brookfield Primary School aims to provide an educational environment of the highest quality in which we will strive to:

- To keep every pupil safe
- Develop effective and enthusiastic learners
- Value the self esteem and maximise the potential of every child
- Promote constructive attitudes and values
- Foster caring relationships in a secure environment
- Work in equal partnership with parents and carers and involve them in their children's learning

CHARGING POLICY

The Education Reform Act 1988 states that all education provided in school time must be free of charge. Activities that take place outside school time may be charged to parents.

We believe that activities that supplement and enrich the curriculum are educationally valuable and hope that parents will continue to support them. We do ask families to make a voluntary contribution where appropriate towards the cost of transport etc, for educational visits. We try, as far as possible; to keep charges low and we can only ask parents to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost. The more parents contribute, the greater the variety of activities we are able to offer. We do not want any student to miss out on an activity because of a problem with money. We urge parents to contact the school if there is any difficulty. This will be totally confidential.

Work produced in some curriculum areas such as art and technology use resources that the school supplies to students through its budget allocation.

In the event of willful damage to school property, equipment or buildings by pupils at the school, parents will be expected to pay for the full cost of replacement or repair.

Charges for Lettings of Premises:

Where use of the premises is by the Community or for non-profit making, educational, fund-raising or charitable events which sit within the ethos of the school and the Local Authority there will be no charge for lettings. Where bodies which do not fit within this description apply for letting, such bodies will be charged at an appropriate for use of the premises following advice from the Local Authority and taking into account school letting rates current at that time.

Phone Charges:

As the majority of staff at Brookfield possess their own personal mobile phones, it is rare that this occurs. However, private phone calls are not to be made from the school's telephone system unless absolutely necessary in extreme personal circumstances. In such cases the charge will be waived where the call is of a reasonable length. This includes use of mobile phones supplied for school business for personal reasons (e.g. Site Managers).

Photocopying Charges:

Photocopying for personal private use will be charges at the rate of 20p per copy after permission is applied for at the school office.