Clover Hill Charging Policy

**CHARGING AND REMISSIONS 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.

Voluntary contributions

We aim to provide a wide range of activities to enhance children’s learning, therefore, from time to time, parents may be asked to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost. No child will be excluded from the activity through an inability to contribute. We do not treat these children differently from any others. In the event of insufficient contributions being made, the activity may be cancelled.

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 have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information well in advance of the planned trip.

The following is a list of additional activities organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. For example:

* visits to museums;
* sporting activities which require transport expenses;
* outdoor adventure activities;
* visits to the theatre;

Clover Hill Primary School organise residential visit for Year 6 and Year 5 children. For this residential, parents are expected to fund the visit, however, this trip is always costed as low as possible; the school makes no profit. Clover Hill Primary School Governors have agreed to subsidise this annual event for those families on receipt of free school meals.

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this, however, there is a charge for individual or group music. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. We make a charge for these lessons. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

The school organises swimming lessons for children in Key Stage 2. 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 for their child to take part in swimming lessons, however a voluntary contribution is requested for transportation.

We offer additional After School Clubs and Activities and we request a small charge for these sessions, they are always costed as low as possible; the school makes no profit on these activities.