



Charges and Remissions Policy

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School Vision & Values

Vision Statement

Let your light shine.

Access and ambition for all to enjoy life in all its fullness.

Foundational Scripture

Matthew 5: 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Our school values of friendship, thankfulness, hope, unity, compassion, forgiveness, justice, endurance and trust are rooted in the Sermon on the Mount and are the basis of all relationships, decisions and direction of our school.

School Values

Our school values are at the heart of our planned curriculum. We aim to provide high quality learning opportunities which help foster these values within children.

Our values are:

Friendship
Thankfulness
Hope
Unity
Compassion
Forgiveness
Justice
Endurance
Trust

At Hoole Church of England Primary School, we aim to help children become:

- **Enthusiastic, curious, independent thinkers – motivated, reflective and resilient learners** who persevere when faced with challenges and who celebrate their achievements and those of their friends;
- **Respectful, compassionate and kind friends** who are able to work with others, forgive, trust, support and communicate with others;
- **Confident, thankful individuals** who understand their own worth; how to stay safe and healthy and how to manage feelings and relationships;
- **Tolerant and responsible citizens** who show respect for others, and a commitment to appreciate and contribute positively to the world around them.

Overview

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.

Whilst school and the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) allocate funds to support educational visits and other enrichment activities, voluntary contributions may be requested to enable additional activities to take place for the benefit of all our pupils.

1 Charging for additional activities.

- HETTY (Hoole Enterprise Trust – Time for You) provides a ‘before and after school’ and ‘Preschool’ care service for working parents for which there is a charge.
- Providers of clubs which take place outside of the normal teaching timetable may include charges for their services. This is paid directly to the provider and is not part of the school curriculum or voluntary activities which staff members may offer throughout the year.
- See overleaf for music tuition during school hours.

2 Voluntary contributions

When organising visits which enrich our curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school may invite parents to contribute towards the costs. All contributions are voluntary.

If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions to enable us to cover the costs including the school’s own contributions, we may cancel a trip.

A trip 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, the child will participate fully in the trip or activity. The school pays additional costs in order to support all visits. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded, which will be provided on request. The school reserves the right to cancel events/activities if insufficient voluntary contributions are received.

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

- visits to museums and other educational venues;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to the theatre;
- curriculum enrichment sessions for nominated pupils;
- curriculum extension clubs provided on a voluntary basis by staff members;
- musical events.

3 Residential visits

If the school organises residential visits in school time or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make any charge for the education provided by staff members. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of extension activities, board and lodging and transport. Parents who receive certain state benefits may qualify for a subsidy.

4 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 which is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. The company who provides these lessons makes a charge. We give parents information about additional music tuition on a regular basis.

5 Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for children in various year groups across the academic year. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. In the event an offsite swimming pool is required, a voluntary contribution towards the cost of transport may be requested. Parents will be informed when the lessons are due to take place.

6 Sports Coaching

Sport is taught in school as part of the normal school curriculum. The school may offer additional sporting activities after school.

When qualified sport coaches run and organize after school club sessions, a charge may be applicable. These sessions are booked and paid directly to the organising provider.

7 Curriculum Enrichment Sessions

To support inclusion certain activities are offered to nominated pupils at no charge. These may provide additional support targeting a particular gift or talent a pupil has or a special need for example additional literacy or numeracy sessions, gymnastics, sport, etc.

8 Curriculum Extension Clubs

We are grateful to staff members who volunteer their time to provide extension clubs covering a range of skills and hobbies.

Support from parent volunteers is also most welcome and can be arranged through contacting Ms Kara Newton our School Business Manager.

During voluntarily run sessions, there may be a small charge requested for materials and for refreshments.