



## **Charging and Remissions Policy**

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Review Frequency:	Every Three Years
Due for Review:	August 2026

James Peacock Infant and Nursery School Charges & Remissions Policy 2023

- 1 Introduction
- 1.1 All the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum.
- 2 Voluntary contributions (see also LA guidance for full details)
- 2.1 When organising school trips or visits to enrich the curriculum and the educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it will include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.
- 2.2 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, and the school provides this information on request.
- 2.3 The following is a list of additional activities, organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:
  - visits to museums;
  - outdoor adventure activities;
  - visits to or by a theatre company;
  - school trips abroad
  - Musical events.
- 3 Residential visits (see also LA guidance for full details)
- 3.1 If the school organises a residential visit in school time, or mainly in school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make any charge for the education or travel expenses. However, we do suggest a charge to cover the costs of board and lodging, although parents who receive state benefits (see below) are exempt from this charge.
  - Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed
  - by earning from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
  - Income Support
  - Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
  - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
  - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after the person stops qualifying for Working Tax
- Credit)

## 6 Optional Extra

- 6.1 When the school offers additional coaching after school and this is run by qualified coaches or outside coaches; we make a small charge for these sessions to cover the cost for this additional activity beyond the national curriculum.
- 6.2 The school offers extended day services to pupils through our breakfast and after school clubs. This is a chargeable optional service and the cost of this can include and is not limited to: staff, materials, equipment, cost of the building and enrichment.

## 7 Monitoring and review

7.1 This policy is monitored by the Resources committee of governing body, and will be reviewed every two years. Next review date autumn 2026 The school follows LA guidelines (available in full from schoolOffice)