



Leigh and Bransford Primary School

Charging Policy

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We aim to provide high quality education for all of our pupils within the constraints and funds provided by the education authority. The school acknowledges the fact that education within normal school hours is free of any charges. However the full range of opportunities we offer is not possible within these financial constraints so financial assistance from parents is often sought through voluntary contributions for things such as educational visits or special events. However these contributions are voluntary and no child will be excluded from an activity if a contribution is not made. When a visit or event is dependent on voluntary contributions this is made clear to parents in a letter and should insufficient funds be received the occasion will not take place.

There are occasions when a school will make a permitted charge and these are as follow:

Residential visits during term time:

Charges are made for board and lodging. However pupil's whose parents are in receipt of income support, family credit, disability working allowance or an income based jobseekers allowance will have additional allowances made for them.

Musical Instrument tuition:

Charges can be made for individual and group music lessons for up to four children. These lessons are managed in school by Worcestershire Youth Music.

Education Outside school hours:

For extra curricular activities a charge may be made. We make no charges for activities run by the school staff. However other organisations running activities in school may make a charge.

We aim to provide the best we can for all our pupils and would not wish for any child to miss an opportunity because of a voluntary contribution or legitimate charges. Parents are urged to talk to the Head teacher should they have any concerns about payments requested for an activity.