



LANGSTONE INFANT SCHOOL

CHARGING POLICY

EDUCATIONAL VISITS AND ACTIVITIES

The Governing Body seeks at all times to support children learning.

- All school visits are subsidised where possible but parents may be asked to make a voluntary contribution. Parents may also be asked to make a voluntary contribution towards other school activities e.g. theatre presentation, puppet shows and some afterschool clubs to cover the costs of some materials.
- No child will be excluded from an educational visit or activity in curriculum time where parents decline to make a contribution. A visit may be cancelled where there are insufficient contributions.
- Discretionary payments may be made by the Headteacher where parents are unable to meet the whole cost.

MATERIALS

- Parents may be asked to contribute towards the cost of certain materials in school, i.e. cookery, clay, sewing materials.
- No child may be prevented from taking an item home if the parent refuses or is unable to contribute.

DAMAGE

Damaged/Lost books and games

- Parents will be asked to contribute a **minimum** of £5 pounds towards any book or game, damaged or lost. *(Receipts will be issued for all payments)*

Damage to clothes

- If a child's clothes are damaged at play time by another child the parents of both children will be informed and any compensation that may be possible will be agreed through negotiation.

Damage to other children's property

- It is school policy that children should not bring their own belongings to school, unless they are related to school work, or where staff have made a request. **The school will not accept responsibility for jewellery, watches etc. that are lost or damaged.**

Damage to school property

- Although parents are not legally required to pay for damage caused by their child, this school adopts the following procedure where damage is done despite a child being warned about their inappropriate behaviour:
 - The matter is explained to the parents in a sensitive way.
 - The request for payment is made directly to the parent.
 - The parent receives a receipt for all payments made.

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