Beech Green Primary School

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

Reviewed September 2017

The Governors are required to have a Charging and Remissions Policy by Section 110 Education Reform Act 1988 (ERA).

The School provides education without compulsory charge (Section 106 ERA). The vast majority of school activities are provided by the School with funds from the Gloucestershire Education Authority. There are, however, some very beneficial educational activities which the School is unable to provide without some financial contribution from parents.

The Governors will seek voluntary contributions from parents for visits arranged during school hours. Full charges may be made for visits out of school hours or for the cost of board and lodging on any residential activity.

If voluntary contributions are insufficient to meet costs, the activity may be cancelled.

The Governors will only set charges in respect of equipment and materials if articles are being made by pupils for parents with their prior permission (Section 118 (3) ERA) and for the hire of musical instruments and tuition.

Where possible the Governors will consider remitting, partially or fully, charges in respect of any pupil taking part in any activity legally classified as taking place during school hours, including any charge for board and lodging on any residential activity, whose parents are receiving *Income Support*, *Income Based Job Seeker's Allowance*, *Income-related Employment and Support Allowance*, Support under part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999, The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190..