





Reaching our potential together in Christ. Charging Policy

At St Mary Magdalen's we believe that:

We must Inspire our children, and in order to do this we must:

- Promote Enjoyment;
- Strive for Happiness;
- Develop an environment where children are glad to come to school;
- Celebrate our successes;
- Always aim to have health and well-being.

By accepting God's word, Love will always be at the centre of our school and we will show this by:

- Remembering our uniqueness;
- Believing in equality and accepting and respecting differences;
- Living by our Christian values;
- Forging partnerships;
- · Being Forgiving;
- Accepting forgiveness;
- Showing patience;
- Being prayerful;
- Ensuring there is a safe environment both physically and emotionally for our children and staff to grow in;
- Having self-reflection;
- · Remembering our spirituality;
- Creating a love of learning.

When we Educate our children we must:

- Ensure that all our children achieve their full potential;
- Remember the whole child;
- Have high expectations in all areas for all our children;
- Create a curriculum to stimulate all our children.













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Voluntary contributions

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents/carers have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent/carer wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, they need to contact school to discuss the matter further. However, 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/carers have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school can provide this information on request.

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;
- Sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- Outdoor adventure activities;
- Visits to the theatre;
- School trips; musical events.

Residential visits

If the school organises a residential visit 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. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of board, lodging and travel expenses. If parents/carers are experiencing financial difficulty they are invited to write in confidence to the Head Teacher.













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Music tuition

Children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. Key Stage 2 children also take part in whole class music tuition, through the Wider Opportunities scheme.

There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons. If parents/carers are experiencing financial difficulty they are invited to write in confidence to the Head Teacher.

Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Key Stage 2. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents/carers when these lessons are to take place.

Additional information

Parents/carers are welcome to request copies of the OFSTED report and other school related documents. There is a charge of 5 pence per sheet to cover printing costs with a maximum of £5 per document.





