

BRACKLA PRIMARY SCHOOL



CHARGING POLICY

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Introduction

All education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the curriculum.

Voluntary Contributions

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 voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents 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, we do allow children to participate fully in the trip or activity where possible. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parent/carers have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information upon request.

The following is a list of additional activities, organized by Brackla Primary, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras.' This list is not exhaustive:

- Offsite visits
- Sporting activities which require sporting expenses
- Visits to or by a theatre company
- Musical events

Residential Visits

If the school organises a residential visit in school time, or mainly in school time, which is to provide education directly related to the Curriculum for Wales, we do not make any charge for the education. However, we do make a charge to cover the costs of transport, board and lodging.

Extra - Curricular Clubs

We do not normally charge for other extra - curricular clubs, e.g. gardening, netball, rugby etc. However, a small charge may be made if an outside provider is brought in. We will try and access alternative funding where possible.

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed by the Governing Body every two years or earlier if deemed necessary.