

Charging Policy at Peel Hall Primary School

Peel Hall tries very hard to enrich the curriculum in different ways. All children that attend our school are entitled to free education within school hours, but this does not include extra activities that may take place at lunchtime such as the judo club or any dance club.

Educational trips outside of school hours.

Sometimes an activity may happen outside of the normal school day, such as in the evening or at weekend, then the school will charge only to cover the cost of transport or the activity.

Voluntary Contributions

As a maintained school we cannot charge for any school activities, but we will invite parents and others to make a voluntary contribution in cash or through donation of goods so as to help our school funds go further. All contributions must make it clear that we are asking for voluntary contributions and where parents cannot contribute, their child/children will not be treated any differently. If an activity for a trip cannot take place without some help from parents this should be explained to them at the planning stage.

We are an inclusive school and as such we will ensure that no child is prevented access to any trips due to financial hardship.

Where there are not enough voluntary contributions made and there is no way to make up the shortfall for the trip to go ahead, then it will be cancelled.

The school will never ask for any contribution to be made where it exceeds the cost of the trip. The school is committed to providing enrichment activities whether they are inside of school or outside of school.

Residential activities.

If a residential trip is arranged and it takes place mainly during school time, parents /carers will be charged for the board and lodging and the cost of the transport will be a voluntary fee.

However, in cases of genuine hardship, the school can at its own discretion waive part or all of the cost so as to ensure the child/children can access the trip.

To be reviewed December 2016

Signed Chair of Governors: **CLLr H Barrett**

Signed Head Teacher Mr. *M.D.Hallam*