

GWINEAR SCHOOL CHARGING POLICY

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GWINEAR COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHARGING POLICY

The governors' charging policy states that we may ask for voluntary donations towards the cost of visits, workshops etc. We may also ask for a voluntary contribution for the cost of special materials such as cooking ingredients. These kinds of activities are expensive, but we do want them to be available for the children. Some of these activities can only be funded with the support of parents. When we write to request a voluntary contribution for an activity or visit, we may need to state that it can only go ahead if it is supported by voluntary contributions. If the activity goes ahead, no pupil will be excluded because their parents are unwilling or unable to go ahead.

We are very grateful that most parents do contribute towards these activities.

We do recognise that this can be expensive and try to keep the cost of such events as low as possible.

Parents are expected to pay for residential visits. Pupil premium may be used to subsidise camps for pupils who are eligible for this.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

On 08.03.13 governors considered the possible impact of this policy on equality for all current and potential pupils and parents.

The charging policy is fair for all pupils. There are some pupils who might not have access to the school curriculum and additional educational activities because of the financial circumstances of their parents. Where we believe that a pupil may be disadvantaged in this way, the Headteacher may use her discretion to authorise the use of Pupil Premium to pay for activities or resources for that pupil.

Agreed by governors January 2013, to be included in updated prospectus

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