Hamp Nursery & Infants School

Charging and Remissions Policy

Approved by the Governing Body

Signed ……
Chair of Governors

Date 09 October 2026

Future Review: Autumn 2027 or
if and when material change

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

We believe that all our pupils should have an equal opportunity to benefit from school activities and visits (curricular and extra curricular) independent of their parents' financial means. This charging and remissions policy describes how we will do our best to ensure a good range of visits and activities is offered at the same time, try to minimise the financial barriers which may prevent some pupils taking full advantage of the opportunities. In order to remove financial barriers from disadvantaged pupils, the governing body has agreed that some activities and visits where charges can legally be made will be offered at no charge or a reduced charge to parents in particular circumstances.

The aim of this policy is to set out what charges may be made for activities, what remissions will be implemented and the circumstances under which voluntary contributions will be requested from parents.

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL VISITS

We may charge for the cost of board and lodgings during overnight school trips, but the charge will not be more than the accommodation actually costs. Parents who are in receipt of certain benefits will not be required to pay. Parents should contact the school for further information.

MUSIC TUITION

Charges may be made when the tuition is not an essential part of

- the National Curriculum
- a public examination syllabus

EXAMINATIONS

No charge will be made for entering pupils for public examinations that are on the National Curriculum. However, an examination entry fee may be charged to parents if:

- the pupil wasn't prepared for the examination at the school
- the examination isn't on the National Curriculum, but the school arranges for the pupil to take it
- a pupil fails without good reason to complete the requirements of any public examination where the governing body or local authority (LA) originally paid or agreed to pay the entry fee

We may charge for:

- re-sits for public examinations where no further preparation has been provided by the school
- costs of non-prescribed examinations where no further preparation has been provided by the school

BREAKAGES AND REPLACEMENTS

We may charge for breakages and replacements as a result of damages caused wilfully or negligently by pupils

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND SCHOOL CLUBS

We may charge for extra-curricular activities and school clubs.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

We may ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of

- any activity which takes place during school hours
- school equipment

The contribution is voluntary and pupils of parents who cannot, or do not want to, contribute will not be excluded from the activity. Where there are not enough voluntary contributions to make the activity possible, and there are no other ways to get funds, we may cancel the activity.