



*Durweston CE VA Primary School*  
(including Handy Paws Pre-school)

# ***Charging and Remissions Policy***

**Revised by FGB**

**Autumn 2019**

*Feed the mind, nurture the Spirit, free the imagination!*

Governors are mindful of their duties under the Equality Act 2010 and have screened this document to ensure compliance with the law

### Charges for School Activities

Durweston's objectives for charging for provisions are:

- To ultimately maintain the *right to free school education*.
- To establish that activities offered wholly or mainly during normal teaching time should be *available to all pupils* regardless of their parents' ability or willingness to help meet the cost.
- To emphasise that there is no statutory requirement to charge for any form of education or related activity, but to recognise that LAs and schools have the *discretion to charge for optional activities* provided wholly or mainly out of school hours.
- To confirm the right of LAs and schools to invite *voluntary contributions* for the benefit of the school, or in support of any activity organised by the school, whether during or outside school hours.

There is no obligation for parents to contribute towards activities; indeed, pupils will not be treated differently according to whether or not the parents have made a contribution. However, **if there is insufficient money collected to cover the costs of a trip or activity without subsidisation by the school, the activity may have to be cancelled.** Many activities are currently partially subsidised out of the school budget and/or funded by our wonderful PTA.

### Remissions

Wherever necessary, monies will be refunded to parents if it is possible and/or unless a cost has been incurred by the school.

This policy will be reviewed as necessary

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*'Stand true in what you believe. Be courageous, be strong.  
And do everything with love.' 1 Corinthians 16:13-14*