



**Inspiring  
Learners**

MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

# Charging Policy

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## **1. Introduction**

All the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the curriculum, with the exception of some individual or small-group music tuition.

## **2. Scope**

Charging Policy applies to Inspiring Learners Multi Academy Trust, and all of its member academies.

This policy is valid for 3 years from the date of approval.

## **3. Voluntary contributions**

3.1 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 sufficient 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.

3.2 If a parent 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 the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded, and the school provides this information on request.

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

- visits to museums;
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
- outdoor adventure activities;
- visits to or by a theatre company;
- school trips abroad;
- musical events.
- residential trips

## **4. Swimming**

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in a certain year group. These take place in school time and are part of the curriculum. We make no charge for this activity.