

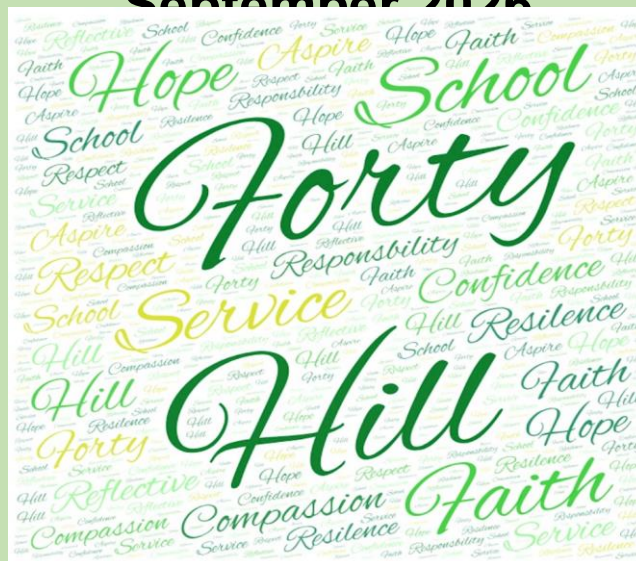
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Learning and Living in Faith, Hope and Service



Forty Hill C of E Primary School Charging & Remissions Policy September 2026



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Statement of Vision and Values

In consultation with pupils, parents, governors, community members and staff our vision and values were generated.

Vision

Our vision is:

Our Vision



Jesus said "As I have loved you, so you must love one another.
By this everyone will know that you are my disciples" John 13:34 -35

Following Jesus's example, we treat each other, our community, and God's amazing world with love, respect and compassion. We aspire to ignite curious minds, nurture a passion for learning and enable everyone to experience and share **faith**, **hope** and **service**.

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Values

Our Values



To develop **confidence** and **respect** ,
to show **compassion** ,
to learn to be **reflective** and **responsible** ,
to grow **resilience** .

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Charging & Remissions Policy

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Aims

Forty Hill C of E Primary School aims to provide the best possible education for its children. Following changes to school funding and increasing costs, the school has updated its charging & remissions policy in order to maintain its provision and to ensure the school uses current funding wisely. We aim to have robust and clear processes in place that are clearly set out, identifying the types of activity that can be charged for and when charges will be made.

Definitions

Charge: a fee payable for specifically defined activities

Remission: the cancellation of a charge which would normally be payable

Legislation and guidance

This Policy informs staff and parents/carers about charging for School activities. It conforms to the requirements of the guidance detailed in the Governors' Handbook Section 6.7.5 and is based on advice from the Department for Education (DfE) on [charging for school activities](#) as well as [the Education Act 1996](#), sections 449-462 (of which set out the law on charging for school activities in England). This policy also incorporates [The Charges for Music Tuition \(England\) Regulations 2007](#).

Charges

In accordance with these guidelines Forty Hill C of E Primary School:

- Will not charge for books, materials, equipment and instruction in connection with the National Curriculum or Statutory Religious Education taught at school, except where parents/carers have indicated in advance their wish to purchase the product
- Will not charge for any day-to-day activities which take place in School time, apart from instrumental tuition for individual pupils or pupils in groups of up to four.
- May charge for special school-time activities (such as workshops or visits) by inviting parents/carers and others to make voluntary contributions to enable school funds to go further. Children of parents/carers who do not contribute will not be treated differently from those who do make contributions.
- Will have the right to cancel an activity if there are insufficient voluntary contributions to make the activity possible.
- Will not charge for academic booster classes held for Year 6 after school

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- We will charge for board and lodging on residential visits, but the charge will not exceed the actual cost. We will advise, signpost and support parents/carers who are receiving Universal Credit.
- Does charge for the Breakfast and Afterschool Club (Den Club). Charges include costs for: staffing, utilities, refreshments and activities. These charges are determined by the Governing Body and reviewed annually. Parents will be informed of the charges for the coming academic year.
- Does charge for some extended nursery provision (Please see our website for more information)

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- May permit organisations to charge parents/carers when such an organisation is acting independently of the School or the Local Authority, to arrange an activity to take place during school hours and parents/carers want their children to join in the activity. Parents/carers will be informed of the cost by the provider.
- Will charge for activities (optional extras) which happen outside school hours when these activities are not a necessary part of the National Curriculum. These are activities run by staff members or external providers. Rates and costs will vary. Financial support may be available for those who need this in order to be able to access extra-curricular activities.
- May charge for late collection, to meet the cost of childcare/supervision.
- Will require parents/carers to pay for the replacement of damaged or lost school property caused wilfully or negligently by their children. This includes the property of other children.

In addition, as a voluntary aided school, we are responsible (rather than the Local Authority) for maintaining the school buildings. Parents are asked to contribute to this fund annually in order for the school to spend its funds directly on the education of the children. This can be in a single payment, or by 3 equal payments at the beginning of each term which then finances external decoration and repairs when required. **Although this is a voluntary payment, paid to the London Diocesan Board for Schools, the Governors hope all parents will see this as a necessary financial commitment to the school.** Lack of maintenance could result in our building falling into disrepair. The school has worked hard over recent years to ensure the working environment for the children is of a high standard and we hope that this will continue. The amount payable is reviewed annually. At present the amounts are as follows:

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	Annual Payment
1 Child	£36.00
2 Children	£54.00
3+ Children	£72.00

The Head of School and Executive Headteacher will ensure that no child is disadvantaged through the implementation of this policy and will continue to use the school budget to best effect.

The Governors will review this policy annually.

Reviewed: September 2026

Next Review: September 2027