

WEST MOORS MIDDLE SCHOOL

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS POLICY

1. No charge shall be made in respect of admission to the school.
2. No charge will be made for activities when the school is in session, excluding mid-day break, with the following exceptions:
3. A charge will be made for instrumental music tuition for up to and including six pupils. Parents of pupils wishing to hire a school instrument, if available (for a maximum of one year), will be asked to pay a hire charge.
4. Educational visits and activities arranged wholly or partly during school hours (as defined by the Education Act 1996, chapter 56/III, section 452) will normally be offered to the whole class or specific group. For such activities, parents may be asked to contribute towards the cost. Pupils eligible for pupil premium funding will be offered a discount.
5. Residential trips – a charge will be made for the cost of board and lodging and other related costs during residential school trips.
6. Parents may be invited to make voluntary contributions towards any part of the school's work, particularly towards the cost of materials for practical subjects e.g. Art and Design Technology, on the understanding that where such contributions are made the finished product may be taken home (Education Act 1996, Chapter 56/III, section 454). Any product made from materials supplied belongs to the school, but may, at the discretion of the Headteacher, be given to the pupil to take home. Pupils taking part in Food Technology may be asked to supply ingredients from home or a contribution for ingredients.
7. Parents will be given a year through breakdown of any planned costs linked to parts 5, 6 and 7. Parents will be given the opportunity to pay by instalments.
8. Parents are invited to enhance provision of school equipment by continuing to provide the child with writing materials (pens, pencils, coloured pencils, ruler, compasses, protractor and rubber)
9. Charges for optional extras (ie activities taking place outside of school hours) will be charged at the discretion of the governors in accordance with the provision of the Education Act 1996, section 456.
10. Where, as a result of a pupil's behaviour, school property is damaged, the school reserves the right to charge the parents for all or part of the cost of replacement or repair. This could be as a result of wilful damage or where the school is certain that the pupil has taken no heed of established health and safety guidelines.