

Charging Policy (Statutory)

Person Responsible:	Headteacher
Date:	November 2021
People Involved:	SLT
Reviewed:	Annually
Adopted:	16 November 2021
Review due:	November 2022

Rationale

The law regarding what might, and might not, be charged in respect of activities provided by the school within and outside the school day has always been difficult to interpret and apply fairly to all students. The Government has set out the law on charges for school activities in Sections 106-111 and 117-118 of the Education Reform Act 1988. Circular 2/89 explains and provides guidance on those sections.

Aims

The aims of the charging policy are to:

- maintain the right to free school education
- to enable all students to take full advantage of the activities provided by the school

Guidelines

Whitstone School may ask for a contribution towards ingredients or materials in practical subjects if students wish to take their products home.

Parents/carers may be charged for additional music or peripatetic lessons.

Appropriate contributions will be requested with regard to school trips, outings, holidays, visits etc.

The Headteacher will use his discretion in cases of financial difficulty.