

# **WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL**



## **Charges & Remissions Policy**

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The Education Reform Act 1988 states that there are no statutory requirements to charge for any form of educational activity. The principle is that of free education.

The Governing Body of Wilkinson Primary School is sympathetic to the law but also wish to support the school in its policy of providing educational visits and having educational visitors into school. This is seen as vital in extending the educational provision in school.

However, the finance received by school is not sufficient to provide entirely for this. The Governing Body, therefore, have instituted a policy of requesting voluntary contributions from parents to enable such a valuable part of pupils' education to continue.

### **Voluntary contributions**

When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the visit. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel the visit. If it goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school visit or event but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully, as long as written parents' permission is given. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

### **Residential Visits**

When the school organises a residential visit in school time, or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we ask for voluntary contributions.

Costs can include:

- Travel
- Board & Lodging (including staff costs)
- Materials, equipment
- Entrance fees to museums, theatres, castles etc

### Music tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. No charge is made for this.

### Swimming

Children have access to our onsite swimming pool, in which children from all year groups can take part in swimming lessons. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their written permission for their child to take part in swimming lessons.

### After School Activities

The school organises a rich menu of after school activities for which there is no charge.

### School Meals

School meals are charged at £2.50 for pupils from Year 3,4,5,6. School milk is £15.00 from September 2024 per term for pupils aged 5 and over.

### Nursery 30 hour places

Depending on Nursery numbers each September we may offer 30 hour places in Nursery to working parents which is fully funded. The school charge £2.40 per day for the lunchtime care for these pupils.

### Wilkinson Care Facility

#### Prices for Wrap Around Care (Term time) Sept 2024

	Sept 2023	Sept 2024	10% Sibling discount
Before School 7.45am – 8.30am	£2.10	£3.00	£2.70
	Sept 2023	Sept 2024	10% Sibling discount
After School 2.55pm – 4.00pm (mini sessions)	£3.30	£4.00	£3.60
<b>Late collections after 4pm will be charged the full session £7</b>			
After School 2.55pm – 5.15pm (full Session)	£6.30	£7.00	£6.30
<b>Late collections after 5.15pm will be charged at £5</b>			

### Wilkinson Holiday Club

#### Prices for Holiday Club (School holidays) Sept 2024

	Sept 2023	Sept 2024	10% Sibling discount
8.00am - 12.30pm Half Day	£11.30	£12.00	£10.80
<b>Late collections after 12.30pm will be charged £5</b>			
12.30pm – 5.00pm Half Day	£11.30	£12.00	£10.80
<b>Late collections after 5.00pm will be charged at £5</b>			

8.00am – 5.00pm Full day	£20.25	£22.50	£20.25
<b>Late collections after 5.00pm will be charged at £5</b>			

Parents/Carers who are in receipt of the following support payments are entitled to claim remission from the payment:

- Income Support
  - income-based Jobseekers Allowance
  - income-related Employment and Support Allowance
  - support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
  - Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
  - Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
  - Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Parents/Carers who wish to claim remission, should do so by contacting the school office by email at [wilkinsonprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:wilkinsonprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

#### **Help with fees for Childcare:**

Parents can receive up to £2,000 per child per year through Tax-Free Childcare and you can use this to pay for your childcare. If you haven't signed up yet, find out more at: [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/providers](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/providers)

For Parents/Carers in The Armed Forces there is also funding available. Click on the link below for further information:

[www.gov.uk/government/news/military-families-to-benefit-from-3000-of-childcare-support](http://www.gov.uk/government/news/military-families-to-benefit-from-3000-of-childcare-support)

May we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and understanding.