



Spring Bank Primary Charging Policy 2022

1 Introduction

- 1.1 All education at Spring Bank Primary during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum. All clubs are free; for some after school clubs the school may ask for a voluntary contribution to enable the clubs to take place.

2 Voluntary contributions

- 2.1 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 trip. All contributions are voluntary however if the activity cannot be funded without voluntary contributions, parents will be made aware. No child will be excluded from any activity if their parents are unable or unwilling to pay. However, if sufficient voluntary contributions are not received, we may cancel a trip.
- 2.3 The following is a list of additional activities organized by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive:
- sporting activities which require transport expenses;
 - outdoor adventure activities;
 - visits to the theatre;
 - musical events.

3 Residential visits

- 3.1 The school organizes a weekly residential visit to Inglebrough Hall for Year 6 each year in school time. As this visit is directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make any charge for the education provided.
- 3.2 The school, however, does make a charge for board and lodging and travel expenses. The school meets with all parents/carers before such trips and strongly encourages full participation. All Pupil Premium children are given a 50% reduction and the school has discretion to waive or reduce the charge for pupils whose parents have evidence of difficulties in paying.

4 Music tuition

- 4.1 All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this.
- 4.2 There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. The peripatetic music teachers teach individual or small group lessons and these lessons are charged for. Music tuition is subsidised for

all children who are Pupil Premium. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.

5 Swimming

- 5.1 The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Year 4. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place.

6 After School Clubs/ Breakfast Clubs

- 6.1 We offer our own out of school club for parents before and after school run by our own Extended Services Manager. Charges are set at the beginning of the year for the morning session and the afternoon session. The school also offers an ad hoc facility whereby parents who need childcare for that day can pay a one off charge for a morning session and for an afternoon session. Payments are taken through ParentMail or through a childcare voucher. Parents can pay weekly, monthly or termly.
- 6.2 We also offer a range of clubs with a paid After School Club coordinator overseeing registration. When school staff organize such clubs there will be no charge made to the children. When visiting coaches/experts are hired to deliver clubs the school may ask for a voluntary contribution from parents. Pupil Premium children are exempt. The school aims for all children who wish to attend a club to be able to participate and encourages parents/carers to inform the school if payment is a barrier.
- 6.3 The school runs a before school breakfast club for targeted children who are mostly Pupil Premium. There is no charge for this club.

7 School Policies

- 7.1 All documents held in school, with the exception of personal or confidential information is, under the Freedom of Information accessible for all parents. If parents wish to view documents in school, then they are free of charge.

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Review: September 2025 or earlier if any changes are needed.