



BELONG

CE Multi Academy Trust

Charging & Remissions

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Belong CE Charging and Remissions Overview

Purpose

Belong CE schools are committed to providing a broad and balanced curriculum enriched by educational visits, extracurricular activities, and creative learning experiences. This document outlines the overarching principles guiding charging and remissions across our schools, while signposting readers to individual school policies for specific arrangements.

General Principles

1. Equality of Access

All pupils should have equal opportunity to benefit from school activities, regardless of their families' financial circumstances.

2. Voluntary Contributions

Schools may invite voluntary contributions for activities such as day trips or workshops. No pupil will be excluded from an activity due to inability to contribute.

3. Chargeable Activities

Charges may apply for:

- Residential visits (covering board, lodging, travel, and insurance)
- Instrumental music tuition not part of the National Curriculum
- Materials for practical subjects (e.g. cooking, DT) where the finished product is taken home

4. Remissions

Schools may offer full or partial remissions for families in financial hardship. Eligibility criteria and application processes are detailed in each school's policy.

5. Governance and Responsibility

Each school's governing body or leadership team is responsible for implementing and reviewing their charging and remissions policy.

Belong CE Charges

Where Belong CE MAT incurs costs for providing central services or staff time to support activities, these will be charged at actual cost with minimal margin.

This approach ensures transparency and fairness, reflecting only the direct expenditure and any unavoidable overheads. Charges will be calculated based on documented costs such as salaries, on-costs, and proportionate administrative expenses.

The Trust does not seek to generate profit from these charges; any margin applied will be solely to cover incidental overheads and will remain reasonable. All charges will be reviewed periodically and communicated clearly to schools and stakeholders

School-Specific Policies

For detailed information, please refer to the individual policies of our schools:

Archbishop Blanch CE High School

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<https://www.abblanch.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Charging-and-Remissions-Policy2.pdf>

Childwall CE Primary School

<https://childwallce.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/CHI9-Charging-Remissions-Policy-1.pdf>

Kirkdale CE Primary School

<https://www.kirkdalestlawrence.com/attachments/download.asp?file=130&type=pdf>