
**Totley All Saints
Church of England Primary School**

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Introduction

At Totley All Saints, all education during school hours is free. We do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the National Curriculum with the exception of individual or group music tuition (outside of usual music lessons).

Voluntary Contributions

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

If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. 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.

The following is a list of additional activities organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as “optional extras”. The list is not exhaustive.

- Visits to museums
- Sporting activities which require transport expenses
- Outdoor activities e.g. Whirlow, Loosehill, Chatsworth
- Visits to the theatre or visiting theatre groups
- Residential visits e.g. Kingswood, The Oakes, Castleton, Hartington, Thornbridge.

Residential Visits

If the school organises a residential visit in school time or mainly in school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, we do not make any charge for the education. However, we do make a charge to cover the cost of travel, board and lodging.

If a parent is unable to pay but wishes their child to go on a residential visit we apply for support from the Church Burgesses. All children whose parents wish them to go on a residential visit, go, regardless of payment or part payment.

Music Tuition

All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. We do not charge for this. There is a charge for individual or group music tuition if this is not part of the National Curriculum. We give parents information about additional music tuition at the start of each academic year.