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CONNECT EDUCATION TRUST

Charging and Remission Policy

Academic Year 2026 - 2027

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Rationale
The Connect Education Trust recognises that pupils learn most effectively from first-hand experiences. Enriching and extending the curriculum is therefore a priority providing opportunities for discovery, enjoyment, inspiration, which lead to greater understanding and deeper learning.

Guidelines
Parents are asked for voluntary contributions to cover the cost of all trips out of school and for some of the groups that visit. These include visits to outside venues, sports, residential trips and other activities.

Educational Visits/ Activities
A sum will be identified and parents will be asked for this amount as a voluntary contribution to enable the trip to go ahead. Classes may raise funds to cover the shortfall from activities (e.g. cake sales) as agreed with the Headteacher. No pupil will be prevented from taking part in the visit or activity. If there is a major shortfall in contributions it will be at the discretion of the Headteacher whether or not the trip will take place.

Residential Trips
Parents are encouraged to contribute to the full cost per child for residential trips. As with all other trips it will be at the discretion of the Headteacher whether the trip can take place if sufficient are not received.

Swimming
The cost of swimming lessons is met fully by the school.

Clubs
Outside organisations will charge for the clubs and activities they run after school.

Music Tuition
Parents may take up the option of their children being taught on the school premises by Enfield Music Service or another provider. The full cost of the lessons must be paid for by the parents to the London Borough of Enfield either directly to the Music Office or via the school office.

Equipment
Depending on the circumstances, the school will ask for payment for lost or damaged books, or wilful damage to school property.

Private Arrangements
The school may, from time to time, try to provide after school facilities for children which are run by an external organisation. Charges for children attending these facilities (e.g. football coaching sessions) are a matter between the parents and the provider.

The Connect Education Trust is dedicated to fostering an environment that upholds equality, diversity, and inclusion across all areas of school life. We are committed to ensuring that every pupil, regardless of background, abilities, financial circumstances, or any other factor, has equitable access to both educational and extracurricular opportunities. Voluntary contributions and fees are requested with respect for each family's financial situation, and no pupil will be excluded from participating in any activity due to financial hardship. Our goal is to cultivate a truly inclusive community where every child feels valued and can fully engage with and benefit from our curriculum.