



# SS John Fisher & Thomas More Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

"Journeying together with Jesus Christ, we learn to love and love to learn."



## Charging Policy

Policy approved: June 2021

Policy review: June 2024

### Introduction

All the education we provide during normal school hours is at no charge to pupils. The definition of 'education' includes materials, equipment and transport provided in school hours by the Local Authority or the school to carry pupils between the school and the activity. 'School hours' are those when the school is actually in session, and do not include the break in the middle of the day.

School trips, visits and practical activities enhance the pupils' learning and broaden their knowledge and experience. These are undertaken with the voluntary contributions of parents. No pupil will be excluded from an activity because his or her parents cannot or will not make a voluntary contribution. The opportunity to pay in instalments will be offered to parents who wish to pay in this way.

### Voluntary Contributions

When organising school trips or visits to enrich the curriculum and the educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to make voluntary contributions towards the cost. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip and any monies already collected will be returned. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from others.

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'. This list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums
- sporting activities provided by a third party
- sporting activities which require transport expenses
- outdoor adventure activities
- visits to or by a theatre company
- residential trips
- musical events

Ss John Fisher & Thomas More, Catholic Primary School,  
A Voluntary Academy

Woodhouse Lane, Benchill, Manchester, M22 9NW

Tel: 0161 998 3422

Fax: 0161 945 5616

Email: [admin@st-johnfisher-st-thomasmore.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnfisher-st-thomasmore.manchester.sch.uk)





# SS John Fisher & Thomas More Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

"Journeying together with Jesus Christ, we learn to love and love to learn."



## Swimming

The school organises swimming lessons for all children in Year 3. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity.

## Breakages

In cases of wilful or malicious damage to equipment or breakages, or loss of school books on loan to children, the Headteacher in consultation with the Chair of the Local Governing Body may decide it right to make a charge. Each incident will be dealt with on its own merit and at their discretion.

In cases of financial difficulty parents should contact the Headteacher.

## Remote Learning

To ensure that all pupils are able to access the full extent of our remote learning offer, an agreement can be made to loan either a Chromebook or an iPad for a period of time.

We will ask for this device to be returned in good condition at the end of the loan period. If it is not returned, we will reserve the right to charge parents/carers up to £150 depending on the condition of the device at the beginning of the loan period.

## Nursery Charges (2 year old provision)

School offers 15 hours per week either morning or afternoon sessions at £5 per hour. Any additional hours should be requested and will be charged at £5 per hour, which is to be paid in advance.

Immediately inform us if you are unable to collect your child from nursery at the official time. A late collection fee of £5 will be applied if you are more than 15 minutes late on more than one occasion.

We ask for a contribution of 50p per week for snacks

## Monitoring and review

This policy is monitored by the Local Governing Body, and will be reviewed every three years or earlier if necessary.



Ss John Fisher & Thomas More, Catholic Primary School,  
A Voluntary Academy  
Woodhouse Lane, Benchill, Manchester, M22 9NW  
Tel: 0161 998 3422 Fax: 0161 945 5616  
Email: [admin@st-johnfisher-st-thomasmore.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnfisher-st-thomasmore.manchester.sch.uk)

