



# Charging Policy

<b>STATUS OF POLICY:</b>	<b>Statutory Policy</b>
<b>BASED ON LA PROCEDURE DATED:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE:</b>	<b>Finance and General Purposes</b>
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# **Aspire Charging Policy**

## **1 INTRODUCTION**

This charging policy has been compiled in line with DfES requirements and in accordance with s457 of the Education Act, 1996. This charging policy relates to all of Aspire services namely:

- All School Sites including
  - The Wycombe Grange
  - Blueprint
  - Chiltern Skills & Enterprise Centre
  - Chess Valley Grange
- Stoke Mandeville Hospital Teaching Service
- Orchard House Hospital Teaching Service
- Aspire Home Tuition Service

**1.1** Aspire does not charge for any activity undertaken during school hours as part of the National Curriculum. Aspire school hours are inclusive of the lunchtime break.

## **2 TRIPS/VISITS AND ACTIVITIES DURING SCHOOLTIME**

**2.1** When organising activities, trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the students, Aspire and the Management Committee have decided not to ask for any contribution from parents/carers.

The following is a list of additional activities sometimes organised by the Aspire, however this list is not exhaustive:

- visits to museums/art galleries
- sporting activities
- outdoor adventure activities
- visits to the theatre/cinema
- musical events

## **3. RESIDENTIAL VISITS – CHARGES**

**3.1** If Aspire organises a residential visit in school time or mainly school time, which is to provide education directly related to the National Curriculum, Aspire and the Management Committee have decided not to ask for any contribution from parents/carers.

## **4. OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES**

**4.1** Aspire and the Management Committee have decided not to ask for any contribution from parents/carers regarding any out of school clubs or activities.

## **5. SCHOOL LUNCHES**

**5.1** Aspire and the Management Committee have decided not to ask for any contribution from parents/carers regarding the payment of school lunches at any of its School sites.

## **6. LOSS OF / DAMAGE TO ASPIRE PROPERTY**

**6.1** Parents/Carers may be asked to meet the costs of repair/replacement of Aspire property as a result of wilful damage, neglect or loss. A charge may be made in respect of wilful damage, neglect or loss of Aspire property (including premises, furniture, equipment, books or materials), the charge to be the cost of replacement or repair, or such lower cost as the Headteacher may decide.

A charge may be made in respect of wilful damage, neglect or loss of property (including premises, furniture, equipment, books or materials) belonging to a third party, where the cost has been recharged to Aspire. The charge to be the cost of replacement or repair, or such lower cost as the Headteacher may decide.

## **7. MONITORING & REVIEWING OF THIS POLICY**

**7.1** This policy will be formally reviewed by Aspire and its Management Committee, every 2 years or when legal regulations change.