Ysgol Gynradd
Tonysguboriau
Primary School

Charging and Remissions Policy

The Governing Body acknowledges the significant contribution that a wide range of additional activities and experiences can make to pupils' personal and social development. The Governors are committed to promoting and providing such opportunities, both within a broad and balanced curriculum and through additional optional activities.

Education during school hours is free. We do not charge for activities undertaken as part of the Curriculum for Wales, although we may occasionally ask for voluntary contributions to support certain aspects of provision. This includes some specialist workshops delivered by external providers, which offer added value to pupils' learning experiences.

Voluntary Contributions

The school requests voluntary contributions from parents and carers to support the cost of educational visits, internal visitors, and enrichment activities. Correspondence relating to such activities will clearly state that contributions are voluntary and that parents should contact the school office in confidence if they experience any difficulty in making payment.

Parents and carers are able to pay contributions in instalments where required. However, where insufficient contributions are received, the school reserves the right to cancel the activity.

The school is committed to ensuring equity of access for all pupils. No pupil will be excluded from participation in an activity on the grounds of inability to contribute. Where appropriate, the school may subsidise costs to enable full participation.

A full breakdown of costs is maintained through the school's private fund. Contributions may be requested for internal visitors, external educational visits, and musical or sporting events. Residential visits are subject to separate arrangements.

Voluntary contributions are intended to cover the costs associated with the activity, including transport and related expenses.

Residential Visits

If the school organises a residential visit during, or largely within, school time to provide learning directly linked to the Curriculum for Wales, we may request a voluntary contribution towards board, lodging and travel costs. Pupils eligible for free school meals can be supported with residential and transport costs through the Equity Grant or available bursaries, where required.

Music
All pupils study music as part of the normal school curriculum. Peripatetic music teachers provide individual or small group lessons, which parents pay for directly to the Music Service.

After School Clubs
The school offers a range of additional activities after school. These are run on a voluntary basis by staff and are usually provided free of charge. However, there may be occasions where a voluntary contribution is requested to cover additional activities or externally provided services.

School Uniform
The school requests that all pupils wear school uniform. Parents are not expected to purchase branded items or expensive clothing. A free uniform shop is available, offering both new and pre-loved items for all families.

Photographs
Parents have the option to purchase school photographs. Payments are collected by the school, which receives a commission. This is allocated to the school's private fund and used to purchase additional resources.

Lost or Damaged Property
Where a pupil's behaviour results in damage to school property or equipment, parents may be asked to contribute towards the cost of replacement. Each case will be considered individually at the school's discretion.

Review

The governing body reviews this policy every two years. The governors may, however, review the policy earlier than this, if the government introduces new regulations, or if the governing body receives recommendations on how the policy might be improved.

Headteacher:	T. Harris	**Date:**	11/9/2026
Chair of Governing Body:		**Date:**	11/06/2026.