

# Ysgol Bryn Castell



## Charging Policy

Approved by:

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## **Introduction**

All education during school hours is free. Ysgol Bryn Castell (YBC) do not charge for any activity undertaken as part of the Curriculum.

## **Voluntary contributions**

On occasions, the school may invite Parents/Carers to make a voluntary contribution to the cost of the educational visits and community-based education, including those which extend beyond the school day.

All contributions are voluntary, and all pupils are treated equally, regardless of whether a voluntary contribution has been made or not. All educational visits and community-based education may include pupils whose Parents/Carers have not made a voluntary contribution.

Parents/Carers have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.

## **Other circumstances:**

### Examination Entries

A charge will be levied in respect of examination entries for pupils where the school has not prepared the pupil for the examination and the pupil is considered a private candidate. The charge levied will be the cost of the examination entry, plus any applicable centre costs.

### Damage/Loss to Property

A charge may be levied in respect of wilful damage, neglect or loss of school property (including premises, furniture, equipment, books or materials). The charge to be levied will be the cost of replacement or repair, or such lower cost as the Headteacher may decide.

A charge may be levied 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 the school. The charge to be levied will be the cost of replacement or repair, or such lower cost as the Headteacher may decide.

### School Meals

No charge will be made to children eligible for Free School Meals. All pupils not entitled to Free School Meals will be charged an amount determined by the local authority.

### Other charges

The Headteacher or Governing Body may levy charges for miscellaneous services up to the cost of providing such services.

## **Remissions Policy**

The Headteacher or Governing Body may remit in full or part charges in respect of a pupil, if it feels it is reasonable in the circumstances.

The Headteacher or Governing Body may decide not to levy charges in respect of a particular activity, if it feels it is reasonable in the circumstances.