# Scissett Middle School

## Charging and Remission Policy

**The Governing Body recognises its duty to provide statutory education free of charge to all students of Scissett Middle School under the terms of the 1988 Education Reform Act.**

### General Principle

There will be no charge made by the school in respect of basic books, materials, equipment or instruments loaned to students in connection with statutory religious education, the study of the National Curriculum, or in preparation for prescribed public examination of courses taught at the school. No compulsory charge will be made for incidental transport in connection with these areas although voluntary contributions may be requested.

### Voluntary Contributions

- The school may request voluntary contributions from parents for activities in or out of the school day for which compulsory charges cannot be levied but which can only proceed if the level of voluntary funding is sufficient.
- The school will ensure that no student is excluded from such activities by reason of inability or unwillingness to pay
- Should the total amount of the voluntary contributions fail to cover the costs of an activity, the school reserves the right to cancel the activity and refund all voluntary payments made in full.

### Residential Trips

School is permitted to charge for the cost of board and lodging during residential school trips.

Where the trip takes place wholly or mainly in school hours, children whose parents are in receipt of some support payments may be entitled to the remission of these charges.

**Signed:** ..... .....

**Chair of governors** **Headteacher**

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