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BOA recognises the valuable contribution that the wide range of additional activities including trips, clubs and residential experiences can make towards students' education. The Academy aims to promote and provide such activities, both as part of a broad and balanced curriculum for the students of the Academy, and as additional, optional activities.

Charges

The Academy reserves the right to make a charge in the following circumstances for activities organised by the Academy:

- **Academy Journeys during Academy Hours**
The board and lodging element of approved residential activities deemed to take place during Academy hours.
The cost of travel to and from educational visits
- **Activities outside of Academy Hours**
The full cost to each student of all approved activities deemed to be optional extras taking place outside of Academy hours.
- **Individual Instrumental and Vocal Tuition**
The cost to the student for providing any instrumental and vocal tuition.
- **Charging in Kind**
The cost of materials and equipment (or the provision of them by parents) for subjects where such a charge would be appropriate.

General

The Academy may, from time to time, amend the categories of activity for which a charge may be made. Nothing in this policy statement precludes the Academy from inviting parents to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of additional activities which take place during Academy hours. Parents may be advised that the continuance of an activity may depend upon voluntary contributions, but once it has been decided to run such an activity no qualifying student will be excluded on the grounds of voluntary contributions.

Remissions

Where the parents of a student are in receipt of a Bursary or Pupil Premium, the Academy may offer to remit in full the cost of full board and lodging for any residential activity which is deemed to take place during Academy hours.

The Academy may wish to remit in full or in part the cost of other activities for particular groups of parents, for example, in case of family hardship. When arranging a chargeable activity, such parents will be invited in confidence for the remission of charges in full or in part. Authorisation for such remission will be made by the Principal in consultation with the Chair of the Board of Directors.