

**Great Linford Primary School**  
**CHARGING POLICY**

**Financial Year 2007/8**

**The Law**

The Education Reform Act 1988 sets out the law on charging in all Maintained, Community, Voluntary controlled, Voluntary aided and Foundation schools. The legislation restricts the activities for which charges can be made and makes provision for the remission of charges, specifically for the provision of board and lodging costs in respect of school visits and journeys.

**School Activities**

The Governing Body approves the policy of inviting voluntary contributions from parents in support of activities organised by the school, both during and outside school hours. The activity can only go ahead if there are sufficient voluntary contributions to cover the cost.

**Residential Visits**

Pupils whose parents are in receipt of Family Credit, Income Support, Income Based Jobseekers Allowance or Disability Working Allowance can claim remission of the cost of board and lodging on residential visits by writing to the Headteacher.

**Music Tuition**

The Governing Body approves the charging for instrumental music tuition to cover the cost of lessons provided by Milton Keynes Music Service and outside tutors.

**Arts, Crafts and Cooking**

Materials and ingredients are provided by the school.

**Breakages and Damage**

Parents will be charged for the cost of repairs or damage to school property as a result of their child's misbehaviour.

**Books/Equipment etc.**

Pupils will be charged the cost of replacing damaged or lost books.

**Agreed by Governors**