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1 Introduction

Sir John Lillie Primary School is a state funded school and as such there are no direct charges for education.

2 Voluntary Contributions

- 2.1 When organising school trips or visits which enrich the curriculum and educational experience of the children, the school invites parents to contribute to the cost of the trip. All contributions are voluntary. If we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we may cancel a trip. If a trip goes ahead, it may include children whose parents have not paid any contribution. We do not treat these children differently from any others.
- 2.2 If a parent wishes their child to take part in a school trip or event, but is unwilling or unable to make a voluntary contribution, we do allow the child to participate fully in the trip or activity. Sometimes the school pays additional costs in order to support the visit. Parents have a right to know how each trip is funded. The school provides this information on request.
- **2.3** The following is a list of additional activities organised by the school, which require voluntary contributions from parents. These activities are known as 'optional extras'. This list is not exhaustive
 - educational trips e.g. visits to museums
 - sporting activities which require transport expenses
 - visits to the theatre
 - musical events.

3 Music tuition

3.1 All children study music as part of the normal school curriculum. But we also offer music, dance and drama as an after school activity.

4 Swimming

4.1 The school organises swimming lessons for children in Upper School. These take place in school time and are part of the National Curriculum. We make no charge for this activity. We inform parents when these lessons are to take place, and we ask parents for their written permission for their child to take part in swimming lessons.

5 After School Activties

The school offers a range of after school activities e.g. football, gymnastics etc, these are run independently and we only make a small charge as they benefit our children.

6. School Journeys

The school does not pay for school journeys. However, some overnight trips may be subsidised by the school. Parents are not often requested to pay the full amount for these trips.

7. Lettings

Please see the Sir John Lillie Lettings Policy and we also follow the LBHF guidelines for Lettings.