Ysgol Aberconwy



Charging Policy

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CHARGING POLICY

<u>The Education Act 1996: Sections 449-462</u> sets out the law regarding what charges can and cannot be made for activities in schools maintained by LAs in England and Wales. The Act prescribes what activities a governing body may and may not charge for when they take place either during or outside of school hours, including residential activities. The Act also requires that every governing body should have charging and remissions policies in place.

The Governing Body has adopted a policy of charging pupils for:

- Board and lodging costs on education visits.
- Activities outside school hours.
- External examinations for which the school has not prepared the pupil during that school year.
- Examinations when the pupil fails to complete the coursework requirements or fails to attend the examination without a proper reason.
- Intentional or negligent damage to school property or for the loss of school property.

We request a voluntary contribution from parents when it is not possible to charge for an activity. It is possible that some activities will not take place without sufficient voluntary contributions.

We seek to encourage as many pupils as possible to take part in the extension programme. If they experience success and enjoyment in it this can only serve to increase their self-esteem and confidence as they tackle the mainstream curriculum.

This policy should be read in conjunction with latest guidance from DfE which can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/charging-for-school-activities