**Charging and Remissions Policy**

With the exceptions indicated below, pupils and parents shall not be charged for the provision of education at The Bridge Education Centre which includes:

1. **School meals**

All pupils are provided with free hot meals or packed lunches at lunchtime. Pupils are also entitled to free breakfast prior to the morning session.

1. **Curriculum activities and alternative provision**

Parents / carers are not charged for any costs in relation to curriculum activities or alternative provision.

1. **School trips**

Costs for any day visits / school trips are paid for by The Bridge Education Centre

1. **Uniform**

Where the school considers that there are circumstances of financial hardship, uniform may be provided or supplied at a reduced cost, at the discretion of the Headteacher.

1. **Damage**

The Governors of The Bridge Education Centre will seek to recover costs from parents/carers whose children cause deliberate damage to school property, furniture, fixtures, fittings or equipment. The cost of repair or preplacement will be charged to the parent/carer but in the event of a genuine accident, no charge will be made.

1. **Residential trips**

Where The Bridge Education Centre offers residential trips for pupils, the cost of the trips will be paid for by the school but parents/carers will be asked for voluntary donations which are not mandatory in order for their child to partake in the activity.

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