

# **Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School**



## **School Premises Charging Policy**

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Next Due for Review; April 2013

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## **Charging Policy For Use Of The School Premises.**

### **Mission Statement:**

#### ***Our School Aims To:***

- Provide a quality of education in which each child is valued and encouraged to meet their true potential.
- Create a caring and happy atmosphere in which love and respect are fostered.
- Build upon our community of faith and actively promote the partnership of home, school and parish
- Equip our children to become integral parts of a caring world community, motivated by love.

### **School Setting**

As a school community in the Tower Hill area of Kirkby, identified in the April 2004 Multiple Deprivation index as having particularly high socio economic deprivation characteristics, we recognise that charging for community use of the school carries a significant responsibility.

As a school community we wish to support the Tower Hill community particularly in relation to events that have beneficial consequences for the children and parents associated with our school .

Additionally we recognise the government's aims to extend the use of school premises for the community.

We have a number of factors of the school which impact directly on the immediate school community.

These include:

- A thriving Breakfast Club running from 8.00am to 8.55am at a cost of £1.50
- A thriving After School Club running from 3.15pm to 5.30pm at a cost of £4.00 (both run directly by school.)
- A Community Use room originally funded by Sure Start Tower Hill called Little Saints.

Many activities are offered in Little Saints catering for Mums and Toddlers – 'Stay and Play' and 'ABC'. The Little Saints manager is a member of School staff, and facilitates sessions daily. Parents are asked for a voluntary contribution of £1 per session.

In order to minimise the running costs for these two groups no additional charge will be made for the premises costs. This allows us to present services to our direct school community that are competitive and realistic for those using.

### **School Areas Suitable For Community Use**

It is our aim, therefore to minimise the costs we charge for other direct community use of the school premises.

There are 2 areas of the school that lend themselves for community use:

1. The Little Saints room
2. The School Hall

N.B. Whilst the school grounds are potentially suitable for future use, we recognise that potential for such use to result in damage to areas around the school so intend to wait until we have the capacity to isolate specific areas of the school to prevent such damage.

### **Charging Rates:**

We set two tariffs. The first is for projects which have a direct benefit for the community / school area. The second is for commercial use by private parties who don't have associations with the community or benefit the school community. Discretion is left with the headteacher to determine which of the two tariffs will apply in any request for use of the premises.

#### **Tariff 1:**

Use of the premises by community:

- **Little Saints Room £10 per hour plus hourly caretaker costs based on the site managers current salary (should opening / closing / caretaking services be required.)**
- **School Hall: £25 per hour plus hourly caretaker costs (as described above.)**

#### **Tariff 2:**

Requests for premises use will be compared with the Use of School Building Guidance document and a quote given based upon up to date heating, lighting and staff costs to school.

### **Responsibility:**

Resources and Personnel Committee