



Charging Policy September 2025

St Teresa's Catholic Academy

Date approved by Governors	1st September 2025
Review Date	1st September 2026
Body Responsible for Review	Finance Committee

MTCAT VISION & VALUES

VISION

“STRENGTH IN UNITY” - The power of a couple or team pulling together, working for the same goal, striving to reach a common destination, is far greater than the sum of its parts.

OUR VISION is to create a nurturing and enriching educational community where the light of Christ shines brightly, guiding the journey of our children aged 2-19. In unity, we will provide an exceptional Catholic education that empowers children to achieve their highest potential, guided by the light and truth of Christ. Together, we build a future filled with hope, love, and the promise of a brighter tomorrow.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

St Teresa's Catholic Academy values the abilities and achievements of **all** its pupils and is committed to providing an inclusive environment where all our pupils have the chance to thrive and meet their full potential.

AIMS

At St Teresa's, we seek to develop a love of learning and to offer an educational experience which will prepare our children for the changing world that we live in. We keep this at the forefront of our minds when planning specific activities for our children.

Activities within School Hours

The school will request voluntary contributions from parents towards activities organised by the school during school hours. The school will support the funding of certain activities within school hours. However, if insufficient voluntary contributions are forthcoming for an activity and insufficient subsidies are available from the school, then the activity may have to be cancelled. Subsidies may be available for children whose parents are unable to make voluntary contributions.

The school will offer the opportunity for parents to pay for the majority of the voluntary contributions by a monthly standing order scheme; Smarter Way to Pay SWTP. For further details please contact the School Office.

Optional Trips and Activities

Optional trips and activities, wholly or mainly outside school hours will be charged at full cost². Where costs cannot be covered by those taking part the activity will not proceed.

Residential Trips

Full board and travel costs on residential trips will be charged, although families who are unable to meet the full costs should discuss the situation with the school (see below). They will, however, be expected to make a contribution. The school will use records of current pupils entitled to Pupil Premium as evidence in support of a claim for any remission of costs that may be under consideration.

School Property

The school may make charges for breakages and damage to property if deemed appropriate, for example Guided Reading books.

Extended Services

The school will charge for additional care before and after school. If parents wish to use these clubs regularly, they will be provided with a termly invoice to be paid in advance of sessions used. The school will charge a late payment fee if funds are not received by the due dates. If payments are persistently late the child's place may be revoked.

Where children have received additional care but have not been booked into the session in advance, an ad-hoc fee will be charged.

Signed: 	Date:	Review Date:
Anne-Marie Eden Chair of Governors	01.09.25	01.09.26