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HOLT HOUSE AND CARTERKNOWLE SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Dear Parents and Carers

Governors Charging Policy

The governors have reviewed the charges for extended services provision. Due to the rise in staffing costs and in line with our charging policy the following increases will come into effect from 1 September 2018:

- Smart Kids Breakfast Clubs: £4.00 per session
- Smart Kids After School Clubs: £8.50 in total: £3.50 up to 4.15 pm at Holt House or up to 4.30 pm at Carterknowle and £5 after that up to 5.45 p.m
- After School Activities: £3.50 per session
- Cooking and Design & Technology: no charge for items taken home
- Holiday Club: £25 per day
- Trips and Visits: voluntary contributions according to trip price

Children Eligible for Free School Meals

- Parents and carers of children currently eligible for free school meals are not asked to make voluntary contributions to trips and visits, including residential trips.
- Each child is also entitled to an after school activity voucher for six sessions at an activity of their choice each academic year.

Voluntary Contributions to Trips, Visits and KS2 Residential

The governors have listened to the feedback from several parents regarding the costs of trips, visits and KS2 residential this year. Trips and visits are being reviewed, with ones that are too expensive being changed or discontinued.

The costs of KS2 residential has been more than 'like for like' trips at other local schools because this year governors have passed on the staffing supervision costs, which are high for overnight stays. Governors have discussed supervision costs, recognise the expense for families, yet feel they cannot justify funding 100% of supervision costs from the school budget, when not all pupils attend residential trips. In 2018-19 therefore, governors have decided that half the supervision costs will be paid by school budget to reduce the overall cost of KS2 residential trips, with the other half being passed on as part of the price. The breakdown of costs will be made clear on future letters about residential.

We will continue to provide a high-quality service that meets the needs of pupils and parents/carers. I hope you will understand the need for these price increases. The full charging policy is available on the schools' websites or on paper, by request, from the school office.

Yours faithfully

Mrs G Tyrrell
Schools Federation Business Manager