

St. John's Cathedral Catholic Primary School

Payment of Governors' Allowances Policy

Purpose

We believe that the governing body plays a key role in the success of the school. Individual governors should not be deterred from playing their full part because of incidental costs.

The Education (Governors Allowances) Regulations 1999 allow maintained schools to extend their schemes for paying governors' expenses from the school's delegated budget. At the full governing body meeting held on 30th September 2009 it was agreed that the following expenses could be claimed from 1st October 2009

- childcare or babysitting (other than done by a resident and responsible person at the home address) at a rate of £4 per hour
- care arrangements for a dependent (as above) at a rate of £5 per hour
- support for governors with special educational needs (e.g. audio equipment)
- support for governors whose first language is not English (translations)
- telephone charges, photocopying, stationery, etc.
- car travel at 51p per mile
- other travel
- meals on courses or whole day visits to school.

Claims should be submitted to the clerk to the governors who will check and authorise claims for £50 or less. Claims for more than £50 will be checked by the clerk and authorised for payment by the Headteacher.

Relationship to other policies

This is referenced to the school's equality policy.

Arrangements for monitoring and evaluation

The governing body will monitor and evaluate the impact of the policy annually with reference to the attendance records of governors at meetings and to the total sum paid out.

Date established by governing body 30th September 2009

Date for full implementation 1st October 2009

Date for review September 2010