



Statement of action to address the cost of Croftmalloch Primary School's school day 2024-25

We currently have the following measures in place which help our families with school costs and make sure that our children can participate and learn.

Uniform: We carefully consider our uniform supplier each year to ensure that we are providing low cost/durable uniform at a good price for our families. Uniform can be ordered online and we also hold a small stock in school for families who cannot access the Internet. We have our an extensive selection of 'Pre-loved' uniform items which are made available to families (in our school entrance) at all times and our link with the local Whitburn Rotary Club offers a very generous donation of brand new school uniform, which is sensitively provided for families, who need more support.

Travel: We have no children who require bus transportation to get to school each day. If access to school is an issue, then we support families on an individual basis to ensure that their child can attend and is on time.

Resources: We stock each classroom with a full range of stationary items at the start of the school year to ensure that no child is disadvantaged. We also provide free access to our school supply of stationary resources so that staff can access these when they need them, in order to meet the needs of the children in their class.

Trips: All children will take part in a trip or excursion this session, where the cost of the experience and transportation is heavily subsidised by the school.

Eating: We provide a free breakfast club each morning, which is attended by up to 70 children on any one day. All children in P1-5 receive free school lunches each day. Our 'cashless' lunch system ensures that there is no stigma for any child in P6-7 who receives free school meals. We also provide a small selection of healthy 'snack' items which are available for children who do not have a snack. We have a school and nursery food bank, which families can discretely access should they need more support with groceries and food shopping at home. We also put essential items onto this shelf such as toiletries, baby care items and school uniform.

Clubs: We continue to extend our range of before and after school clubs and lunchtime clubs as part of our wider curriculum. We continue to ensure that all clubs are free where possible. We monitor our quintile 1 children's participation in these clubs to ensure that they are accessing and enjoying them.

Homework: We have modified our approach to homework this session to ensure that we take a flexible approach to meet the needs of all families. We encourage and support children and families to complete homework together.

Events: (e.g. proms/discos, dress down days etc): We try, where possible, to make most of our events 'free of charge', including all family learning events and 'end of year' sports/fun events. Our very active and supportive Parent Council offer a range of events which are inclusive to all and free for all children to access. We hold dress down days at the end of each month, where children have the opportunity to bring an item for the foodbank rather than raising money for school funds.