



St, Ethelbert's Catholic Primary School

PAYMENT OF GOVERNORS' ALLOWANCES

"I serve Jesus with my body, heart, mind and soul."

Serviam means 'I serve'. Jesus Christ has taught us, 'it is more blessed to serve than to be served'. At St Ethelbert's school, following our Catholic faith, we serve the whole person – mind, heart, body and soul.

Body – because we care for our wellbeing, our parish neighbourhood and our environment.

Heart – because we teach love and respect for all.

Mind – because we believe in excellent education.

Soul – because we learn to pray and become closer to God as his children.

Status

Statutory

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 13th February 2008 it was agreed that the following expenses could be claimed from 13th February 2008:

- childcare or babysitting (other than done by a resident and responsible person at the home address) at a rate per hour as in Kent's guidance.
- care arrangements for a dependent (as above) at a rate per hour as in Kent's guidance.
- 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, travelling expenses etc.

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 equal opportunities policy and the race 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 for review : October 2018