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Policy: **Payment of Voluntary Contributions in Preschools**

Voluntary Contributions are collected by the primary school attached to each preschool as a requirement under Section 27 (1) of the Education Act 2004. All payments received are used solely by the preschool staff to purchase educational resources and equipment for the preschool. The Education Act 2004 states that no child will be refused benefits or services if families choose not to contribute. Individual records of contributions are confidential.

Charnwood-Dunlop School sends home a note at the start of each school year outlining the Voluntary Contribution amount which has been set by the School Board and details of payment options. The school may elect to send reminder letters to families throughout the year. Families may also choose to contribute a different amount at any point throughout the year.