

Working Together

We work closely with:

- Education and Health services
- Social Work
- Third-sector partners
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This helps us provide the best support for children experiencing challenges such as poverty or Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs).

Need Support? Worried About Costs?

Please contact us at any time. We will always listen, support, and treat your situation with complete confidentiality.



Shawhead Primary and Nursery Class

Our Cost of the School Day Guide for Families

Our Commitment

At Shawhead Primary School and Nursery, we want every child to take part in school life without money ever being a barrier. We understand that families can face financial pressures, and we are here to help—confidentially, respectfully, and without judgement.

“We are committed to ensuring that no child is excluded from any aspect of their educational experience, due to financial hardship.”

School Trips & Outings

All school trips are **subsidised** to keep costs low.

Families receive **plenty of notice** and can **pay in small instalments**.

If you're finding it difficult, please speak to us privately—support is available.

P7 Outward Bound costs can be supported through school funds or the Parent Council, so **no child misses out**.

Travel to School

Most children walk, cycle, or scoot.

Families are encouraged to apply for **free Under-22 bus travel**.

Clubs & Activities

All after-school clubs run by staff are **free of charge**. We want every child to enjoy activities that build confidence, friendships, and new skills.

School Uniform Support

Our uniform is simple and affordable:

- White shirt or polo
- Black trousers or skirt
- School sweatshirt, navy jumper, or cardigan
- Branded items are optional. Similar clothing can be bought from local supermarkets.

We also offer:

- Pre-loved uniform donations
 - Winter jackets, waterproofs, wellies and gloves (especially in Nursery)
 - Halloween costume & Christmas jumper recycle banks
 - Minimal dress-down days to reduce pressure
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Meals & Food Support

- **Breakfast Club** is free for all P1–5 pupils and for P6–7 pupils who receive free school meals.
- **NLC** offers sports clubs and activities during holidays. Information is available online.

Financial Support for Families

North Lanarkshire's **Financial Inclusion Team** can help with:

- Benefits checks
- Debt advice
- Budgeting support
- Help with forms, claims, and appeals
- Home visits or phone support

Contact: TPTeam@Northlan.gov.uk or **01698 332551**

"The Tackling Poverty Team is a free service and can be contacted directly by the family."

Supporting Wellbeing

We know that financial stress can affect children's emotional wellbeing. Our support includes:

The Solihull Approach

Staff are trained to support children and families with emotional health and relationships.

The Star Room (Nurture Space)

A calm, caring space for children who need extra support due to adversity or disadvantage.

Anti-Bullying & Inclusion

We teach children that everyone is valued, included, and respected—whatever their circumstances.