



# Oldbury Wells

# INFORMATION SHEET

## December 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians

It has been a busy term, as always, as you can see from the Oldbury Wells Journal. As you know, many local schools have been struck by a winter bug in recent weeks and Oldbury Wells is no exception. Thank you to our many parents who have supported us by keeping pupils at home as requested after they have become ill. We have worked in conjunction with Public Health this week and last, as have other local schools equally affected, who tell us this is a community issue. For your information, we have taken the advice of Public Health and followed all the guidance they have given. This has included temporary additional specialist cleaning at the weekend and each evening this week and alterations to site staff duties to include additional precautionary checks and additional sanitising on top of the professional routine commissioned cleaning service.

### TRAFFIC AND PARKING AT OLDBURY WELLS SCHOOL

I need to ask for parents help, cooperation and understanding regarding transport to school. Unfortunately, Oldbury Wells Lane is very narrow with houses built very close to the pavement. This means that the council has been unable to undertake any real changes to the road layout. Therefore, we periodically need to remind users to take care and consider all residents, pedestrians and drivers when approaching and leaving our school.

On a related matter, we have been contacted by neighbours in Highlands Road, the other side of our West site. Vehicles parked on corners, parked directly opposite other cars and across driveways are making it very difficult for the residents to access and exit their homes each morning and afternoon. Parking on pavements has also caused these pavements to crack causing problems for pedestrians too. Can we please ask all drivers to take care to park legally and without causing obstruction? Your co-operation is appreciated.

### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Friday, 20 December, the last day of term, is Christmas Jumper Day! We are raising money for Save the Children (£1 donation please). While students are still expected to wear their uniform that day, they can wear a Christmas Jumper instead of a blazer if they wish to take part ... home decorated jumpers preferred! As last year, there will be prizes for the most impressive jumpers!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our school community a happy Christmas and a peaceful and healthy New Year. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school for the spring term on Tuesday, 7 January 2020 (week 2). Please check the School Uniform Policy before purchasing any new shoes, coats etc over the Christmas period!

Best wishes to you all

Sarah Godden  
Headteacher

Lisa Thomas  
Principal Deputy

## TERM DATES

Please make sure you always refer to our school website, [www.oldburywells.com](http://www.oldburywells.com), for accurate information on term dates and PD Days. A couple of websites have been set up to give this information for all schools nationally and, because they don't receive their data from us, it is often incorrect!

### Spring Term 2020

**Starts** Tuesday, 7 January 2020  
**Half-term** Monday, 17 – Friday 21 February 2020 inclusive  
**Ends** Thursday, 2 April 2020  
**PD Days:** Monday, 6 January 2020 and Friday, 3 April 2020

### Summer Term 2020

**Starts** Monday, 20 April 2020  
**Bank Holiday** Friday, 8 May 2020  
**Half-term** Monday, 25 - Friday, 29 May 2020 inclusive  
**Ends** Friday, 17 July 2020

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### *Term Dates for next academic year 2020/21*

#### Autumn Term 2020

**Starts** Wednesday, 2 September 2020: Y7, Y12  
Thursday, 3 September 2020: Y8, Y9, Y10, Y11 & Y13  
**Half-term** Monday, 26 – Friday, 30 October 2020 inclusive  
**Ends** Friday, 18 December 2020  
**PD Days** Tuesday, 1 September 2020, Friday, 23 October 2020

#### Spring Term 2021

**Starts** Monday, 4 January 2021  
**Half-term** Monday, 15 – Friday 19 February 2021 inclusive  
**Ends** Thursday, 1 April 2021

#### Summer Term 2021

**Starts** Monday, 19 April 2021  
**(Bank Holiday** Monday, 3 May 2021)  
**Half-term** Monday, 31 May - Friday, 4 June 2021 inclusive  
**Ends** Friday, 16 July 2021

## **What's On?**

Thursday, 9 January 2020

Years 11 and 13 Award Evening

Thursday, 13 February 2020

Year 8 Parents Evening

Thursday, 27 February 2020

Year 8 Options Evening

Thursday, 5 March 2020

Year 10 Parents Evening

Thursday, 19 March 2020

UCAS Conference in Worcester

Thursday, 2 April 2020

Year 7 Parents' Evening

This is just a selection of events coming up at Oldbury Wells. Please keep an eye on the calendar on our website,

[www.oldburywells.com](http://www.oldburywells.com) for regular updates.

Reminder from the Kitchen staff, please remember to top up your child's account at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com).

Alternatively, students can top up with cash using the machine in the canteen.

Bridgnorth Sixth Form  
enrolment takes place on either  
GCSE Results Day (Thursday,  
20 August 2020) or after 1pm on  
Tuesday, 1 September 2020.  
The first day of the Autumn term  
for all Year 12 students is  
Wednesday, 2 September 2020.