3 December 2020



Dear Parent/Guardian

Covid Winter Grant Scheme

The Government's Covid Winter Grant Scheme is aimed to give support to those children and families across the county in need of support with the cost of food during the school holiday periods. You may be eligible for this assistance if you match any of the criteria below and your child is <u>not</u> already on free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

The scheme will provide vouchers to cover the school holiday period (calculated at £3/day for the 10 'school' days). Further details of the scheme can be found on the Government website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-winter-package-to-provide-further-support-forchildren-and-families

If you think you may be eligible or wish to discuss this further please contact Mr Jamie White at the earliest via email <u>jamie.white@oldburywells.com</u>.

Please note any applications will need to be made by Friday, 11 December 2020 at the latest.

Kind regards

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