

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you and your family are all well and staying safe during this unpresented period.

Although the next few months remain very uncertain, school will re-open to pupils when it is safe. To help cover some of the costs associated with a new school year, we will again be working with the Yardley Education Foundation to provide eligible parents a grant of £80 towards their child's school uniform. The grant is paid by means of a voucher and can be redeemed at school uniform retailers when buying a new uniform for September 2020. Pupils currently qualifying for Free School Meals (FSM) or pupils who have qualified for Free School Meals within the past six years are eligible if they also live within the Ancient Parish of Yardley. The Ancient Parish of Yardley no longer exists, but much of Hall Green is situated within these boundaries. I am writing to you as our records show that you meet both of these criteria and are therefore eligible for the £80 uniform voucher for each child that you have at Hall Green School.

The Yardley Education Foundation was set up by a group of monks over 600 years ago with the intention of supporting the education of young people in the local area. The Foundation are very keen to make sure as many local families as possible have access to this fund. Each parent/carer has to apply using the new online system, which takes roughly two minutes. If successful, the grant will be awarded directly to you and you will be given information as to where the voucher can be redeemed.

Applications must be made online at https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YEFGrants2020 The password is yef2020 (lowercase)

In addition to the £80 voucher that you will receive, our school will also be awarded extra funding to purchase books, including novels for pupils to take home and further books for specific subjects or the school library. The more parents who apply, the bigger the book grant that we will receive. If a significant number of parents register for the uniform grant the school may also be able to apply for future grants to reduce other costs, such as transport costs for school trips.

I hope this represents good news and that you are able to take advantage of this fund. Please contact me directly at school if you have any further questions or need help completing the online application form.

Yours sincerely

Mr M T Hosfield, Deputy Headteacher















