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Dear parents/carer

Household Support Fund: support for children and young people in schools, colleges and early years settings for the Easter Holiday 2023

Ahead of the Easter Holiday, families of eligible children and young people in Oxfordshire schools and colleges will again receive support with the costs of food during the holiday period, funded by the Department of Work and Pensions' Household Support Fund.

£30 per eligible child is available for the Easter holiday period and will be provided in the form of a supermarket voucher. Eligible children in schools are those entitled to benefits related Free School Meals.

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- 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)

If you think your child/ren meet the eligibility criteria you are entitled to the £30 per- per-child grant in the form of a supermarket voucher. Please email <u>office.2057@queensway.oxon.sch.uk</u> stating the following:

- Child name and class
- Parents full names, dates of birth and national insurance numbers

If your child is already in receipt of free school meals no action is required and you will automatically receive your voucher in the usual manner.

Additional information on help with the rising costs of living is available on the Council's website here: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/council/help-rising-living-costs.

Yours sincerely,