



Oxford New Generation Chess & Activity Clubs

Easter Holiday Chess & Activity Club at Cumnor Primary School

If you are not sure what to do with your children during the school holidays, consider enrolling them with us in our Easter Holiday Chess and Activity Club. The aim of our Chess and Activity Clubs is to provide the chance for pupils who are interested in playing chess, to learn more during their holiday and to interact with other children interested in the game. They can also enjoy other board games and sporting activities such as football and badminton. The Oxford New Generation Chess & Activity Clubs team includes an experienced professional chess coach and qualified sports instructors.

Dates Wednesday 4th April 2018
 Thursday 5th April 2018
 Monday 9th – Friday 13th April 2018

Times Drop off: 09:00 to 09:30*
 Pick up: 16:00 to 16:30*

* optional early drop-off 08:30 to 09:00 and/or late pick-up 16:30 to 17:00 for additional daily fees (see registration form)

Age and Ability

The club is suitable for anyone currently in year 2 (aged 7) to year 10 (aged 15) who would like to learn to play or improve at chess. For the chess lessons, children will be grouped based primarily on experience rather than age in order to receive teaching appropriate for their current level of ability.

What to Bring

Packed lunch, water bottle, chess scorebook, pen/pencil, a notebook and a reading book. Scorebooks will be available for purchase from our bookstall at morning registration if you do not have one.

Children should wear comfortable clothes (e.g. tracksuit) appropriate for any sporting activities they wish to partake in, and bring shoes with non-marking soles and a racket if they wish to play badminton.

Cost Please see the registration form for introductory prices.

Please fill in the attached registration form.

Note that in order to keep the teaching group sizes small, places are strictly limited for our Easter holiday club. We will send you an acknowledgement on receipt of your registration form.

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Format

The mornings will consist of chess! Each day this will include teaching in groups (split according to experience) and playing games. Chess lessons in the full week Monday 9th to Friday 13th April will build on previous knowledge day by day. From Tuesday onwards, to put their knowledge into practice children will also take part in competitive tournaments appropriate for their level. Tournament trophies will be awarded, and other chess prizes for effort and achievement in the lessons. Non-chess activities will take place in the afternoons. **We would like to invite parents to attend the prize giving at 15:00 on Friday 13th April.**

Typical Daily Timetable

Below is a typical timetable plan (details will vary from day to day):

09:00 – 09:30	Registration and informal activities (including chess)
09:30 – 10:15	Chess lesson (parallel groups)
10:15 – 10:30	Morning break
10:30 – 11:15	Chess lesson (parallel groups)
11:15 – 12:00	Chess tournament
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch and informal activities
13:00 – 14:45	Indoor activities (e.g. board games & calligraphy)
14:45 – 15:00	Afternoon break
15:00 – 16:00	Sporting activities (e.g. football & badminton)
16:00 – 16:30	Collection

Club Leaders and Coaches

The club will be led and administrated by **Yanling Cheng**, an Oxford-based businesswoman with a master-level degree in Accountancy and Consultancy. She has been resident in England since 1994 and has 3 children at local schools. She is an able player of the strategy game Go and enjoys seeing her children play chess at a high local level for their age.

The chess coaching will be run by **Andrew Varney** who is an ECF-accredited professional chess coach and qualified ECF arbiter. He has 10 years of experience running school chess clubs, tournaments, managing junior teams and giving individual coaching from beginner level up to England junior standard. He teaches and runs chess clubs in nine local schools, is the main coach at the Oxfordshire Junior Squad club and has many 1:1 students.

His assistants include **Zoe Varney** who is one of the top active English women chess players. She has played internationally for England juniors every year since 2014, is current (2018) West of England Junior Champion and holds a chess scholarship at Millfield School. Her previous titles include top U18 Woman in the 2016 British Chess Championships.

Afternoon sports activities will be run by qualified coaches for football and badminton.

Our next holiday chess and activity club is planned for summer half term, the week of Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2018.

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