

# The Champions

## Every child deserves a champion



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Welcome to our Spring Edition of The Champions Newsletter. We hope that you are all looking forward to the Easter break and enjoying the long awaited sunshine.

### Spring Holiday Program

Milton Keynes Council are currently offering a free Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) that will be running during the Easter holidays. Full details of this can be found on the following website: <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/holiday-activities-and-food-programme-2025>

The HAF winter activities and food programme, offers a range of free activities and food for children whose families are in receipt of free school meals. The sessions run for 4 days and start on 7th April. E-vouchers have been sent out to you directly through email, by [hello@holidayactivities.com](mailto:hello@holidayactivities.com) and this email included a link directly to the booking system. If you are looking for some fun activities for the children over the holidays this is a very valuable resource to use and there is no cost as it is completely funded *providing that you use the link in your email.*

### Westcroft Community Larder

A community larder is held every Friday at Westcroft Pavilion between 10-1 and offers weekly membership for just £3.50. This membership will provides access a extensive range of food items where you will be able to pick 10 items plus a section of fresh fruit and vegetables and could help to reduce weekly food bills. The scheme is a charity that supports young people in the community and also aims to reduce food waste. The larder is open to

anyone who wants to save money and membership is not means tested. For more details using the following link: <https://www.sofea.uk.com/community-larder/shenley-brook-end-community-larder/>

#### Who can join?

Anyone who wants to prevent food waste and save money. It is not means tested.

#### Where does the food come from?

A Didcot based charity, providing surplus food, training and opportunities to young people and organisations.



An individual membership provides up to 10 items of food per week, plus a selection of fruit and vegetables. (family membership is double that)

### Uniform

If your child requires any additional school uniform ready for our return in April, please send us an email with their name, class, items needed and sizes and we will always do our very best to provide free, good quality preloved uniform items. We have lots of uniform in stock, so please don't hesitate to get in touch, it is lovely to know that the uniform can be used by another pupil.

### Further Support

If you would like any further details about Pupil Premium support at Oxley Park Academy or have any concerns or queries relating to your child, please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs Matthews or Miss Ballinger through the main school email address: [office@oxleyparkacademy.com](mailto:office@oxleyparkacademy.com)