

OXFORDSHIRE GIRLS CHESS FESTIVAL 2018

Girls-only chess events for October half term

"Play Like A Girl"

Chess tactics coaching, games and puzzles from top women chess players' real games.
Run by *Oxford New Generation Chess & Activity Clubs*; supported by *Oxford Guesthouse*.

Monday 22 October 12.30 – 3.30pm

Headington

1 hour coaching from FM David Zakarian. Free chess play, coaching and puzzle sheets.
Refreshments available for a charge. Spaces are strictly limited, so please register beforehand.
Contact Yan: ojchessclubs@gmail.com

"Queen of the Chessboard: Checkmating for Beginners"

Beginners' workshop focussing on important common checkmate ideas.

Led by Sara Sengenberger & other volunteers from & supported by *Cowley Chess Club*.

Tuesday 23 October 1.00 – 3.00pm

Cowley

All girls are welcome to Cowley Chess Club for this free relaxed beginners' workshop. Do you already know how the pieces move? Want to experience the thrill of checkmating more often? Come learn from friendly club volunteers. Master some basic mates so you can finish your game with a bang and rack up more wins. Discover the art of pattern recognition, key to improving your chess game. From the bread-and-butter back-rank mate to the elegant Anastasia's mate, get acquainted with these snazzy techniques and put them to work for you.

Register in advance if possible, but you can also just turn up on the day.

Contact Sara: sara_sengenberger@hotmail.com

"Chess, Chat and Chocolate"

Informal social chess get-together for girls in a café environment.

Hosted by *Hackett's Food and Drink*; equipment courtesy of *Witney Chess Club*.

Thursday 25 October 1.30pm – 6.00pm

Witney

Just drop in to meet other chess-playing girls and have fun with chess and refreshments.
The chess is free but food and drink must be paid for as usual.

Inter-County Girls' Chess Team Tournament

ECF-graded and FIDE-rated Rapid Play quadrangular invitational.

Oxfordshire will play Warwickshire, Wiltshire and Berkshire at U11 and U18 levels.

Supported by *Oxfordshire Junior Chess*; equipment from *Kidlington Chess Congress*.

Sunday 28 October 10.30am – 4.30pm

Headington Prep School

Oxon teams organised by Andrew Varney, Duncan Young and Yan Cheng. Invitation only.

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