



FZY SUMMER CAMPS 2022

OFEK
27TH JULY
4TH AUGUST*

**KESHER
UK** 24TH JULY
4TH AUGUST*

**KESHER
USA** 21ST JULY
5TH AUGUST*

*All dates subject to change

WHAT IS FZY?

The Federation of Zionist Youth (FZY) is a Jewish Zionist Youth Movement, strengthening Jewish and Zionist identity whilst creating a strong and vibrant Jewish community for tomorrow. At FZY we strive to challenge, stimulate, educate and excite British Jewish youth through an array of programming.

FZY works within a pluralist framework and therefore welcomes and respects members from different Jewish and political backgrounds, whilst providing a space to explore your own Jewish identity and that of others.



PARTNERSHIPS

FZY, Young Judaea and the Tzofim together form the Atid partnership that goes back over a quarter of a century. It is an international partnership of pluralist, Zionist youth movements found across the UK, North America, and Israel. This summer, all FZY's UK summer camps will have leaders from the Israeli-based Tzofim youth movement, whilst Keshet UK will also have a delegation of Israeli participants their age joining from the Tzofim. Participants on Keshet USA will join up with one of Young Judaea's summer camps in America where they will also connect with Israelis from the Tzofim. Joining one of FZY's camps this summer will provide a truly international experience.



THE CAMP EXPERIENCE

FZY camp is an experience like no other. Whether you have been on camp before, are a regular attendee of our year-long programmes, or are looking to jump into the start of your FZY journey, there is simply no better place to be this summer!

This year, we're proud to once again be offering our famous Ofek and Keshet UK camps! The action-packed UK camps are filled with everything from our famous Maccabiah sports event and legendary colour war to exciting trips out and creative, innovative educational activities. We are excited for the return of Keshet USA this summer, providing participants a true American summer camp experience.

FZY camps are run by the most dedicated and experienced Madrichim (leaders), who all grew up in the movement and work tirelessly to create the best camp experience possible. Our peulot (activities) are engaging and educational, and help create an experience which is truly like no other.

Participants will make lifelong friends from all over the UK, and make memories that will never be forgotten. All of our summer experiences create deep and lasting connections to FZY and Israel whilst chanichim (participants) will strengthen their Jewish identity and become the next generation of Jewish leaders.





“ We are completely smitten with FZY. Our son had such a fabulous experience at Ofek. As former madrichim ourselves, we fully understand how much time, energy and effort goes into planning camp. It is no easy feat. Our son said that the leaders were all just superb. He felt safe, valued, comfortable and supported. What a great context in which to have fun, learn, socialise and generally be around like-minded Jewish kids. It has sparked something inside him and he has returned with renewed enthusiasm for life. Although exhausted, he is already talking about when he can next go to an FZY event and is desperate to visit Israel (a joy he has yet to experience)! ”

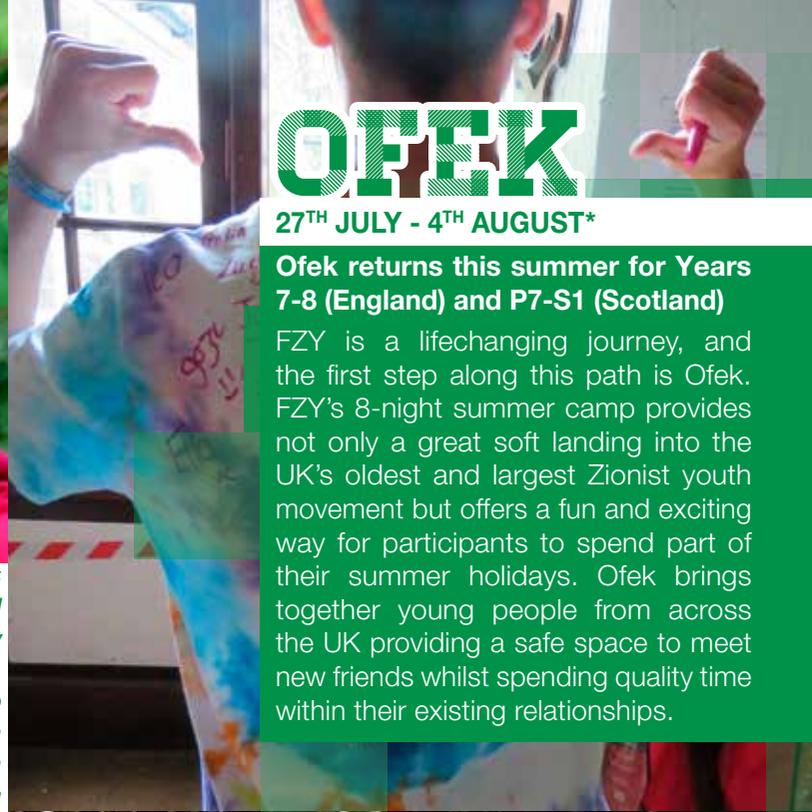
Tanya and David Tempkin, parents of Arieh and Solly, Manchester (Ofek and Keshet 2018 and 2019)

OFEK

27TH JULY - 4TH AUGUST*

Ofek returns this summer for Years 7-8 (England) and P7-S1 (Scotland)

FZY is a lifechanging journey, and the first step along this path is Ofek. FZY's 8-night summer camp provides not only a great soft landing into the UK's oldest and largest Zionist youth movement but offers a fun and exciting way for participants to spend part of their summer holidays. Ofek brings together young people from across the UK providing a safe space to meet new friends whilst spending quality time within their existing relationships.



“ I had the best time on summer camp and made so many new friends . There was so much on offer for everyone from football to macciabia . I'm already looking forward to this year's camp to meet up with all the mates I made. ”

Oli Field, London (Ofek day camp 2020)



“ My daughter had the most amazing time and enjoyed every single minute. She has not stop smiling and telling us all about it. ”

Parent, (Ofek camp 2021)

With more than a quarter of a century of summer camp experience in the UK, FZY utilises this to create an Ofek schedule packed with the perfect balance of fun, outdoor activities, engaging educational content, and opportunities for participants to select what they want to do. Although no two days on Ofek are the same, here are a few examples of the different types of activities that will be interspersed throughout the camp.

Misdar Boker – This is an atmospheric way to start to the day. FZY brings the entirety of the Ofek camp together to sing, chant, dance and have fun with one another whilst learning about their plan for the day ahead in an organised and lively ceremony.

Chugim – Everyone has their own passions and skills, and these chugim sessions allow participants to focus on these. Whether participants choose to focus on art, drama, sport, Israel, dance, creative writing, or something else, they will undoubtedly be grateful for the opportunity to mix with others who have similar pastimes whilst engaging with what they love.

Extravaganza Programming – FZY summer camps are known for their large-scale activities, such as its Maccabiah Games where participants compete in a variety of events, and the Colour War where groups battle it out in a messy entertaining way. These are often some of the highlights of Ofek.

Education-Focused Activities – It may be the summer holidays, but that doesn't mean that we can't learn. FZY are informal education specialists, and many of the activities will delve into an engaging educational theme around FZY's ideologies using a wealth of creative methodologies to do so.

ODT & Day Trips – Creating opportunities for participants to bond whilst having fun together is an important concept of Ofek. In previous years we have achieved this through outdoor activities, zorbing, hiking, archery, zip lining or other exciting activities. This summer will be no different with some of the time focused on this.

Shabbat – The word shabbatmosphere is often used at FZY events to explain the uplifting environment created on Shabbat. As a pluralist movement, FZY's programming on this day caters for everyone's beliefs, and does so whilst bringing Ofek together in a joyous atmosphere to mark the significance of the day.

Zman Kvutsa & Family Time – FZY create a couple of different smaller consistent groups that meet regularly throughout the camp to chill together and process the journey the group are going on.





KESHER UK

24TH JULY - 4TH AUGUST*

Kesher UK is back for Years 9-10 (England) and S2-S3 (Scotland), lasting 11 nights and 12 days.

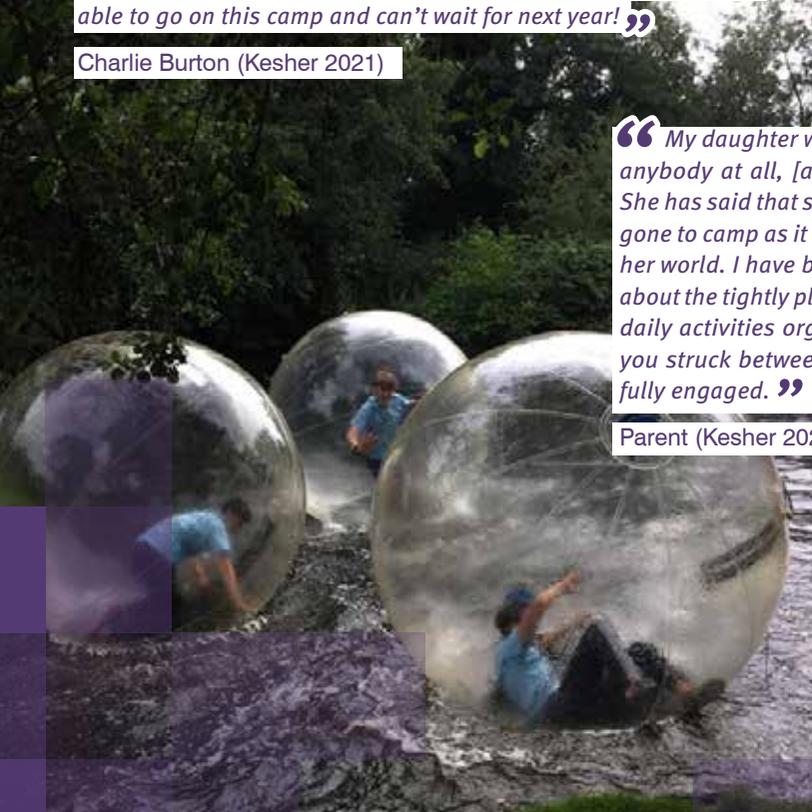
Whether you are coming back for another year, or starting your FZY journey, Kesher UK is a fantastic place to be this summer. Whilst still bringing together participants from across Britain, the Kesher UK summer camp retains many of the highlights from Ofek whilst building upon these in ways more suited for the age of the participants. Some of the new aspects to look out for in Kesher UK include:

“On FZY Summer Camp 2021, I made so many friends for life and made memories that I’ll never forget. From Colour War to Maccabiah, the whole camp was brilliant. The leaders were really nice and so were all the other kids - I feel so thankful that I was able to go on this camp and can’t wait for next year!”

Charlie Burton (Kesher 2021)

“My daughter went to camp without knowing anybody at all, [and] she made great friends. She has said that she cannot imagine having not gone to camp as it was so positive and expanded her world. I have been really impressed hearing about the tightly planned and high quality varied daily activities organised and the balance that you struck between making them feel free and fully engaged.”

Parent (Kesher 2021)





Extended Programme – The Keshet UK summer camp is three days longer than our Ofek programme. As such, it provides more time for the participants to engage with the creative programming that is so loved. Additionally, the extra time allows us to delve deeper into the educational components of the camp and to introduce age-appropriate new, different, and innovative activities.

Israeli Participant Delegation – At Keshet UK we don't just speak about Israel, we create the framework to become personally acquainted with Israel. FZY are planning to bring over a delegation of around 15 Israelis, who are the same age as the Keshet UK participants, to join the summer camp. Not only will the Israeli delegation be able to share about their life in Israel, but they will act as a window into Israeli society, friendships will be formed, new cultures experienced, and fun times had by all.

Stepping Up – The teenage participants of Keshet UK are ready to level up and enter the next stage of their FZY journey. As such, Keshet UK provides opportunities for participants to take that step. Whether that be through a volunteer or social action project the group undertake, by being provided additional responsibility as part of a short-term structured leadership role with their peers or creating a platform to investigate issues important to them, the Keshet UK summer camp will ensure a safe dynamic environment for growth, fun, and exploration.

The day trips, *shabbatmosphere*, FZY Maccabiah Games, and several other highlights from past FZY summer camps will all still be present, but additionally Keshet UK will take the summer camp experience to the next level of deeper connection, engagement and fun.



“ I went on camp this summer, having never been on an FZY residential camp before and not knowing many people. I made lots of new friends from all around the country who I now see regularly. I loved all my leaders and enjoyed all the new experiences, with highlights including Maccabiah, colour wars and the shabbatmosphere. I can't wait for next summer! ”

Amy Reeves, (Keshet 2021)





KESHER USA

21ST JULY - 5TH AUGUST*

BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER: KESHER USA!

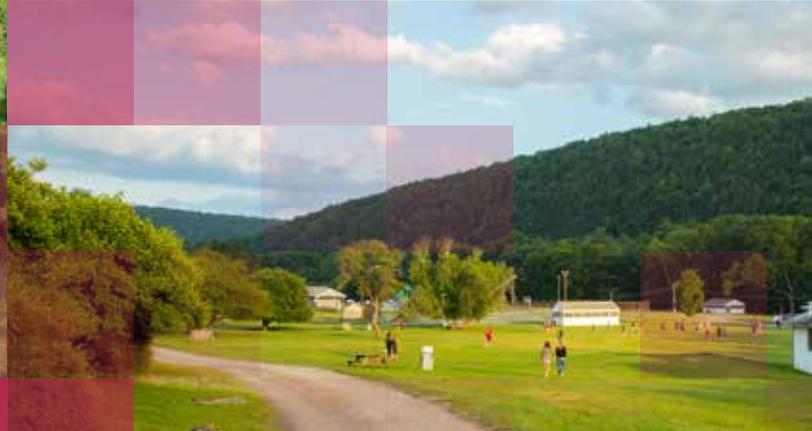
Kesher USA is a truly unique, **international summer experience**, representing the next step in the FZY journey. The two week trip, exclusively for Year 10 (England) and S3 (Scotland), will take participants to our partner camp, Tel Yehudah (TY) in Barryville, **New York!**

Chanichim will learn about other Jewish communities and bring the UK to Camp Tel Yehudah, all while making friends with campers from across the globe! Kesher USA chanichim will develop their Jewish identity within the wider diaspora, being led by their FZY Madrichim as well as by American and Israeli staff. They will enjoy an authentic American Jewish summer camp experience and have the unforgettable opportunity to **visit New York City on a packed overnight trip.**

Spending the summer with our close partners Young Judaea, FZY chanichim will learn about our ever-growing ATID partnership and form lifelong connections with Jewish teens from around the world, and with American chanichim who they will have the chance to reunite with on future FZY programmes!

“Atid is such a wonderful and necessary partnership. I used the word, “necessary” because it is the reason Young Judaea, FZY, and the Tsofim are able to team up and provide many campers, like myself, with amazing opportunities to grow and learn about others. For example, having British counselors in Camp Tel Yehudah was an incredible experience because I was able to learn so much about their culture, teach them about mine, and really just create special bonds with them.”

Nicki Barocas, TY participant -
Led by British leaders Imi Wise in 2017, Galia Shomron in 2018





Days at the TY campsite, located along the Delaware River, will be action-packed. As well as spending time each day as an FZY group, chanichim will take part in activities including: Swimming; Hiking & Camping; Ropes Course; Tzofim (scouts) Activities; Sports; Arts and Crafts; White Water Rafting and some incredible electives.

As well as partaking in the daily Tel Yehudah activities, FZY participants on Keshet USA will have specific time to bond as a shikvah (group) on a specialised two day overnight trip to New York City. As well as this chanichim will have the opportunity to experience Tel Yehudah's on-site overnight camping experience, American Maccabiah and incredible camp-wide events.

At FZY we believe that broadening connections of our chanichim is of the utmost importance; we are so excited to present this opportunity for chanichim to develop important partnerships and further their own understanding of Judaism, Israel, and our place in the diaspora, all while taking chanichim outside their comfort zone and making friends from across the world!

“We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all most sincerely for the superb care and hard work you put into Keshet USA. He had the most fabulous time and spoke so highly of all the leaders who he said were all lovely and very kind. The whole experience was phenomenal and well organised. He enjoyed meeting like-minded teenagers from all over the world and would also like to thank the whole dedicated team for making it an unforgettable Summer”

Parent (Keshet USA 2019)





The application forms and more information about FZY's Summer Camps 2022 can be found online at: www.fzy.org.uk/summer-programmes

PRICING

	Deposit	Earlybird price	Standard price
Ofek	£300	£1,125	£1,199
Keshar UK	£350	£1,299	£1,399
Keshar USA	£500	£2,750	£2,850



DATES, DEADLINES & OTHER DETAILS

A deposit is required on application to secure a place. Applications will be taken on a rolling basis with priority given to those who have participated in previous FZY programmes until the end of the earlybird deadline. FZY cannot guarantee or reserve a place on any of its summer camp programmes.

Earlybird & Priority Deadline: Application and deposit must be received no later than 11.59pm on Monday 28th February to receive the earlybird price and/or receive priority if eligible.

Full Payment: Full payment must be made no later than 11.59pm on Thursday 28th April.

Non-Refundable Admin Fee: All FZY Summer Camps have a non-refundable admin fee. This is £125 for Ofek and Keshar UK and £175 for Keshar USA.

Full terms and conditions can be seen as part of the online application process.

The safety, security, and wellbeing of the participants is our primary concern. FZY's Safeguarding, Child Protection and Covid-19 policies can be found on FZY's website which includes further details as to how we manage our summer camps.





OUR CHARITY



FRIENDS OF FZY

The Friends of FZY (FFZY) was established in the 1970s to support FZY and its programmes. It is a network of FZY alumni and supporters, and provides financial assistance and bursaries to FZY's members to ensure they're able to explore their Jewish identities and their relationship with Israel, regardless of their circumstances.

To find out more about FFZY and how you can get involved, head to: www.ffzy.org.uk

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

FZY believes that every child should have the opportunity to take part in our programmes. Financial assistance is available by process of application, and all requests are treated in the strictest of confidence. For further information please contact the FZY Office or tick the relevant box on the Application Form.





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My FZY journey began all the way back in 2016 when I went on my first FZY camp. Since then I have been absolutely hooked and made my way back every summer since! The friends I made back in 2016 are some of my closest friends still and we always reminisce about how it all began. FZY has given me so much confidence and a better understanding of myself, so much so that the last few years I have led lots of FZY programmes. Nothing is more rewarding than letting chanichim have the same amazing experiences I had when I was in their shoes. It really is true when people say FZY is one big family!”

Charlie Armstrong, Chanich 2016-2019;
Madrich 2019-current.



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