

Summer 2021

luton foodbank

NEWSLETTER



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Welcome

to the latest edition of our newsletter, which we hope will contain plenty of useful information for you all.

We are immensely proud of Luton Foodbank's association with schools around our town, so we are making these partnerships the focus of this summer edition.

We pay tribute to the teachers, senior leaders and support staff in schools in our town. During the pandemic, they have succeeded not only in keeping schools safe, but also in continuing to provide essential support to families in need.

School staff members have continued referring children and families for support, as well as organising very successful food drives with pupils and parents. Since Luton Foodbank was formed, a significant proportion of food donations received have been donated by schools.

How to get involved

- Spread the word, and encourage people to use our services if they are in need.
- Share a fundraising idea with family and friends, and see who can raise the most money for us.
- Volunteer your time for one of our activities.
- Encourage your place of work to join us as a Business Ambassador.

As mentioned in the previous edition, we now have a Schools Engagement Officer. Asma works closely with family workers to ensure a steady flow of food, both to families in need and to the food bank.

Mindful that we are coming to the end of the summer term, we want to assure our Luton families that we are still here for them during the holiday period.

If you are in need of food support, or know someone who is struggling, please contact us using the details at the bottom of the page. We are here to help.

To all our school supporters: please keep up the great work. We wish you a restful break after this hectic year.

See you all next term.

Liz Stringer

Chair, Luton Foodbank

Top 5 needed items



UHT milk Tinned fruit

Tinned rice pudding

Biscuits UHT fruit juice
(not refrigerated)



Shared Learning Trust



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Our friends at The Shared Learning Trust—which includes The Stockwood Park Academy, The Chalk Hills Academy, The Linden Academy, and The Vale Academy—have supported us for many years.

We are proud to showcase their brilliant efforts here.



“The Shared Learning Trust’s academies are proud to work in partnership with Luton Foodbank. The food bank provides invaluable support to our families—not just helping them with food supplies, but also providing access to key advice.

Our staff have been delighted to support the food bank this year, with over 80 colleagues completing the 5k School Run to raise over £4,000 to help the food bank continue its great work.

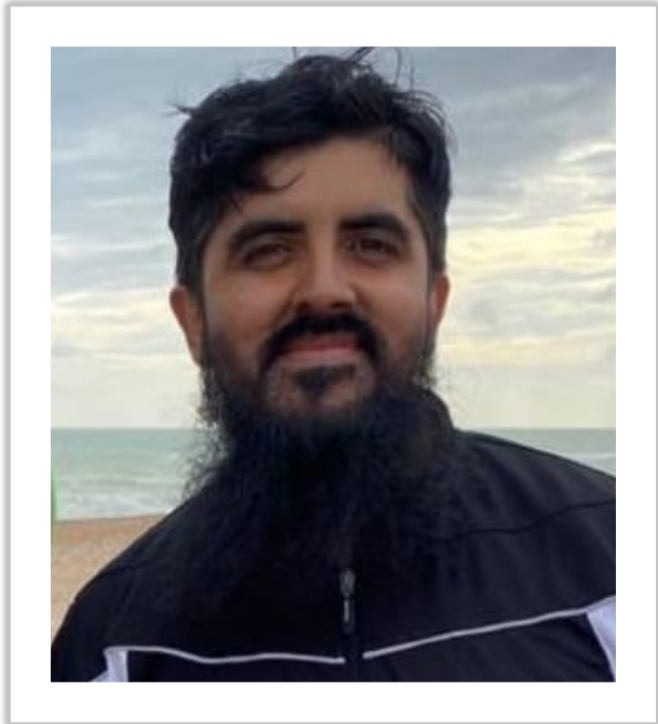
I also want to recognise the fabulous efforts of Chalk Hills student Aadam Manze. Personally raising £575 for Luton Foodbank, Aadam is a wonderful and kind-hearted young man we are proud to have as part of our trust.”

Cathy Barr
Chief Executive, The Shared Learning Trust

If you or someone you know need support, please contact us.



School Run

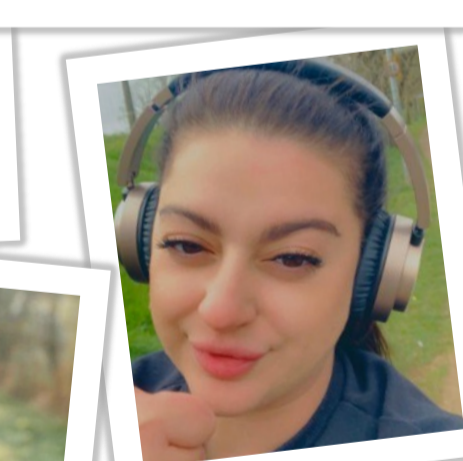
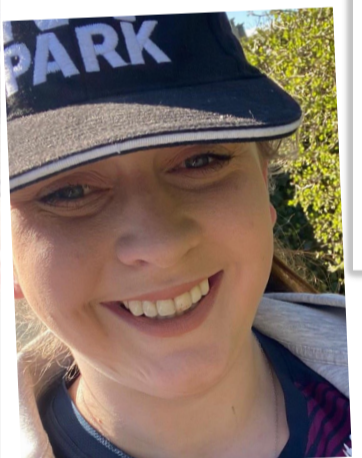
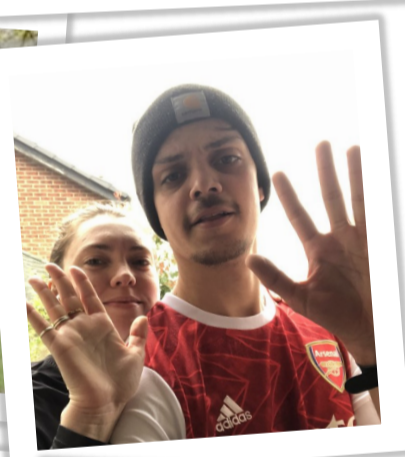
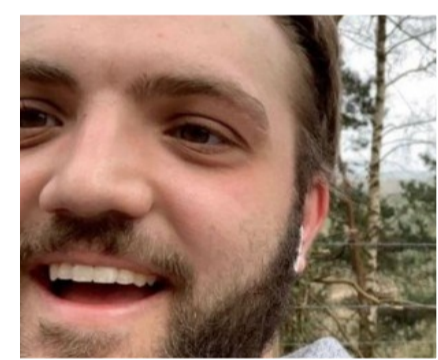
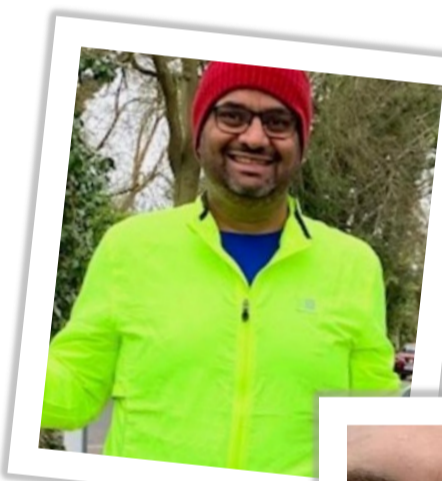


“In April, teachers and educators from around the town and surrounding areas, joined us for The School Run.

We want to once again extend our heartfelt thanks to you all for raising funds and awareness of our work.

Below are some of the runners on the day.”

Sufian Sadiq
Trustee, Luton Foodbank



Coming in Autumn issue...

We will be covering some more of our community partners, business friends, and funders.

Also, we would love to share what you are doing for Luton Foodbank.

Please send your stories and pictures to info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk.



Luton Foodbank in the community

Information & guidance



Hi everyone, I'm Nicola.

As a Signposting Advisor at Luton Foodbank, I can provide information and guidance for anybody who needs assistance.

Get in touch with me at:
advisors@lutonfoodbank.org.uk



Information leaflets

Available in six languages on our website.

Schools Ambassadors



Luton Foodbank has delivered programmes in primary and secondary schools for several years. And in September, we launch our Luton Foodbank Ambassadors programme, so watch our social media for details.

Our schools volunteer Amar Azam has led much of our work. In June, he ran a full-day creative writing workshop at Challney High School for Girls (pictured left).

Nic Ponsonby, Acting Deputy Head, said "We're proud of our students' charity work. For some years we've had a strong association with Luton Foodbank, a charity that does important work in Luton.

"Amar's innovative workshops never fail to leave our students inspired, so it's always a pleasure to have him here. We look forward to being a part of Luton Foodbank's Ambassadors programme."

At Denbigh High School, Amar ran a workshop focusing on journalistic writing. He met Eiman (pictured left) from Year 8, who took part in Denbigh's Interhouse Luton Foodbank collection. Her fundraising with family and friends led to a huge donation of food.

Email: schools@lutonfoodbank.org.uk



We want to thank our friends at Near Neighbours.

Their kind support helps ensure no-one in Luton goes hungry.

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If you or someone you know need support, please contact us.