



March 2018

**Years 1 to 6**

**Monday Lunchtimes 12.30 to 1.15pm**

Dear Parents

We are pleased to be able to offer a lunch time Chess Club in Term 5. The dates will be:

April 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>

May (7<sup>th</sup> is a bank holiday) 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>

The cost for this club will be £4.00 per session, so for this run of 5 sessions the cost per child is £20. Cash payments should be handed in at the office.

Chess Club will be run by Joseph McPhillips, who is studying Maths at Bath University.

Since starting at the age of 6, Joseph has gained the FM (FIDE master) title and become a regular in the top 40 players in England. In 2016 he won the UK chess challenge, the largest chess competition in the world, coming ahead of 48,200 children from 1400 schools and clubs. He has experience as a chess coach and is looking forward to sharing his skills and enthusiasm for the game!

We hope that the children will be keen to find out how to play this ancient game, or to practise and improve their skills. By improving problem solving, logical analysis and concentration levels, chess is ideal for the enhancement of mathematical thinking.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Falkus (Head teacher)

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**Lunchtime Chess Club**

- My child..... would like to join Chess Club
- I would like to help out with the Chess Club.
- I enclose £20 for the 6 sessions in Terms 3 and 4.

**Signed:** ..... **Parent**

