

25 January 2023

Dear Parents, Parents Liaisons and Students,

## **RE: Chess Club 2023**

We will be offering Chess coaching at school again this year. Chess Club is open to students from years 2 to 6 in the Primary School and to all Secondary students.

Chess Club is held after school on Tuesday afternoons. Primary students need to be collected after Chess Club by a parent/caregiver at the front gate or be enrolled in Aftercare. We advise parents to provide an extra snack to have after school but before Chess Club as an energy boost. The strategy lesson, which is the first part of the session, requires students to gain an understanding of a particular strategy or concept before applying it in the game/s that follow.

We welcome players of all abilities and experience (or lack of) at Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced levels. Please note, there is a cap of a maximum of 20 students per group and that placement in a group is at the discretion of the coach.

Chess Club is an extra-curricular activity and part of the AGS Enrichment program. Parents will be billed at \$100 per term to their account. This helps cover the cost of experienced coaches from Northern Star Chess who mentor each group, supported by an AGS Staff member.

If you wish your students to join or continue Chess Club please complete the enrolment form attached, a new form is required each year, and email it to Ms Janet Stewart <u>ist@ags.vic.edu.au</u> if in primary school or Mr Max White <u>MWH@ags.vic.edu.au</u> if in secondary school, to confirm a place in Chess Club for Term One.

We plan to commence at school on Tuesday 7 February at 3.30pm for the Beginners and Intermediate groups and 3.45 pm for the Advanced group.

New students are most welcome to join, please complete the enrolment form, adding any other relevant information, and email to the appropriate staff member using the email address provided above.

Janet Stewart and Max White, Chess Club co-ordinators.

## AGS Chess Club enrolment 2023

Full Name of student:

Year level: Teacher:

Parent best contact details Email: For Chess Club updates Mobile (for emergency contact only)

Chess ability/experience level:

Please select the most suitable description from those provided.

- None
- Informal games with family or friends
- Has taken a game to checkmate
- Played in tournaments against others of similar ability

I understand that the cost of Chess Club is \$100 per term, per student and will be billed to my school account.

Toward the end of each term, you will be invited to continue with Chess Club for the following term or you please inform us that you wish not to continue.