

CHESS AT RHODES AVENUE

Chess is very popular at the school with sessions on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings as well as Thursday after school.

In the new 2020-21 academic year:

- Monday morning (08:00-09:00) chess will be for Yr2s.
- Wednesday morning (07:50-08:45) chess will be for Yr4s.
- Thursday morning chess (08:00-09:00) will be for Yr3s.
- Thursday after school (15:10-16:20) chess will be for Yr6s.
- Friday morning chess (07:50-08:50) will be for Yr4s

Each session aims to give children the opportunity to enjoy playing chess whilst learning to improve their game.

The sessions are divided in two parts. We start with a short coaching session covering anything from opening traps, chess tactics, end game checkmate patterns, middle game plans etc.

Afterwards the children play chess with their friends which is what they really want to do!

Children making progress in chess also get an opportunity to represent the school's U9 and U11 chess teams in local, regional and national tournaments.

Monday Yr2 chess

The new Yr2 chess club will meet on Monday mornings (08:00-09:00). Unlike the other clubs, it is open to absolute beginners but it helps if children know the basics of the game (or learn them over the summer).

Chess is led by Kamlesh Karia who has run chess clubs at Rhodes Avenue for several years now. He also works for the charity 'Chess in Schools and Communities' teaching chess in curriculum time at a number of local schools.

If your child plays chess at home and wants to improve or is in Yr2 and wants to learn to play chess, please email kamleshkaria@sky.com for more information.