

Oaklands Junior School



Headteacher
Mrs H West

5th February 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are considering starting a fee-paying lunchtime Chess Club run by a local “Chess In Schools” tutor. Their website states “the game helps pupils to think logically and solve problems, it develops sportsmanship and resilience and it teaches children to plan ahead and take responsibility for their actions”. They also say “chess has also been positively linked with academic performance”.

Their curriculum assumes no prior knowledge and progresses from the laws of the game to foundational tactics and strategy. Our school would receive all the equipment (including chess sets, their curriculum, workbooks and other learning aids), free training for staff and entry to school activity days at the annual London Chess Classic.

It is likely that the club would run each Wednesday 12.30-1.10pm, starting as soon as possible after the half-term holiday. The cost would be approximately £48 for 12 weeks, payable in advance to the school.

At this time, we are trying to gauge if there would be sufficient interest to make this new club financially viable. If your child would like to be involved in this new venture, please complete the response slip below and return it to the school office before the end of school this Wednesday 7th February.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'H West'.

Mrs H. West
Head teacher

CHESS CLUB

My child : _____ in Class: _____
would be interested in joining the “Chess In Schools” club on a Wednesday lunchtime.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

