

Dear Parents and Friends,

St Andrew's will again be offering chess for beginners and experts in term 1. It will be run by Mrs Connie Pizzato who has been involved in teaching, coaching and judging chess for twenty years. Connie currently works for Somerville school where she teaches chess as part of the curriculum.

When: 10:35-11:15 am Wednesdays first break.

It will begin in week three, term one on Wednesday 11th Feb.

Where: Library

Who: Any child from Prep-6

Cost: \$56 for a 7 week programme. Payable IN ADVANCE by cash or cheque made out to Connie Pizzato ONLY. To be handed to the OFFICE, Mrs Apte or Mrs Barker.

THE BENEFITS OF CHESS

Chess has long been regarded as a game that can have beneficial effects on learning on development, especially when it is played from a young age. Below are some of the most critical benefits that chess can provide to a child:

- Develop analytical, synthetic and decision-making skills, which they can transfer to real life.
- Learn to engage in deep and thorough chess research which will help them build their confidence in their ability to do academic research.
- Help children gain insights into the nature of competition which will help them in any competitive endeavour.
- When youngsters play chess they must call upon higher-order thinking skills, analyse actions and consequences, and visualize future possibilities.

AND IT'S A FUN GAME TO PLAY!!

Any questions can be directed to:

papte@bne.catholic.edu.au or chbarker@bne.catholic.edu.au

To ensure numbers can be tallied to work out the number of coaches required the forms need to be returned by Monday 9th Feb.

I give permission to my child _____
in year _____ to attend chess lessons.

Payment method: _____ enclosed.

Contact Name and Number of Parent/Guardian: _____

Kind Regards
Pam Apte & Christine Barker