

RICHMOND JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

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Dear Parents, Children and Tournament Players

We are pleased to inform you of the Club's plans for the coming year.

We have decided that the club will continue to open every Saturday during term time, but that there will be a single afternoon session running from 14.00 to 17.00. We recognise that many children have alternative activities on Saturday mornings and the number of participants at the morning session has declined steadily over recent years. Children who regularly attended the morning group will be most welcome to join the afternoon group.

James Coleman and I will continue to run the afternoon session. Our aim will be to provide an educational, stimulating and enjoyable experience for all children through a mixture of coaching and playing activities. The session will be suitable for children of all ages, but participants should know the rules of the game and be playing regularly either at school or at home to obtain the maximum benefit. The number of participants will be limited to 50 in any session. Additional coaches will be available depending on numbers.

The first meeting of the club this academic year will be on **Saturday September 8th**. Our dates will be as follows:

Autumn Term: September 8th 2007 to December 15th 2007

Spring Term: January 12th 2008 to March 22nd 2008

Summer Term: April 26th 2008 to July 19th 2008

We will continue to run the Under 11 and Under 9 teams in the English Primary School (EPSCA) competitions and will consider entering competitions for older children if there is sufficient demand. We still maintain connections with the Richmond Rapidplay tournaments and would encourage all club members to consider playing in these events. More details can be found at www.surrey.rapidchess.org. We will organize the Richmond Junior Congress, a qualifying tournament for the London Junior Championships, on Sunday October 14th. Entry forms will be available shortly.

Finally, a plea ... the club is run by a Committee of enthusiastic parents, but some of the Committee members no longer have children attending the club. Therefore, if any parents would be able to help out with the running of the club it would be greatly appreciated.

I'd like to thank everybody for their support last year and I hope that the club will continue to go from strength to strength. If anybody has any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

With best wishes for a successful season

Peter Sowray

On behalf of the Committee of Richmond Junior Chess Club

RICHMOND JUNIOR CHESS CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM 2007-08

Fees for the 2007-08 season are as follows:

Annual Membership: £150.00

One Term Membership: £75.00

Membership will entitle children to attend all sessions at the Club. We may impose a limit on the number of members accepted due to the space constraints at the ETNA Centre.

Full Name of child(1)

Date of Birth..... School.....

Full Name of child(2)

Date of Birth..... School.....

Full Name of child(3)

Date of Birth..... School.....

Address:

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Post Code: Phone (Home): Phone (Mobile):.....

Email:

(We increasingly use email as a means of communication. Please give a home email address if possible, check your emails regularly and let us know if your address changes.)

I enclose my cheque/postal order payable to **Richmond Junior Chess Club** (NOT Peter Sowray or Richard James, please)

for £_____ including a donation of _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

If your children have any health problems or special needs which you think we should know about, please give details below.

Please return completed forms and cheques to: Peter Sowray, 62 Latymer Court, Hammersmith Road, London W6 7JE

RICHMOND JUNIOR CHESS CLUB HOME-CLUB AGREEMENT

THE CLUB WILL:-

Provide sets, boards, clocks and other material necessary for the playing of Chess.

Provide an atmosphere conducive to the playing and study of Chess at a level appropriate to the age and ability of the Member.

Oppose behaviour by anybody in the Club that limits the ability of others to play and enjoy their chess, and seek to create an environment that is disciplined and supportive and in which individuals respect each other.

Oppose and address bullying, harassment or abuse whether motivated racially or in any other way.

Contact parents with regard to any problems concerning their children's behaviour or attitude.

Be available at all times to speak to parents/guardians with regard to their children's progress and ability at chess, and all other matters concerning their Club membership.

Maintain a Child Protection Policy and appoint Child Protection Officers. The CPP and contact details of the CPOs will be available on the Club website.

AS A PARENT/GUARDIAN I WILL:-

Guarantee that my Child is aware of the importance of a high standard of behaviour and the need to respect other people, and the Club premises and equipment.

Encourage my Child by providing the opportunity to play and study Chess regularly, to compete in tournaments and to represent the Club in team competitions if selected.

Support the Club's disciplinary requirements as a necessary backdrop to the successful teaching of Chess in a Club environment.

Accept reasonable sanctions and disciplinary measures taken by the Club in the event of a misdemeanour involving my Child.

AS A CLUB MEMBER I WILL:-

Discuss the Home - Club Agreement with my Parent/Carer: my signature below shows that I support the statements contained in it.

Work hard and play hard to improve and enjoy my Chess, accept the discipline and uphold the standards of the Club, respecting other people and looking after the Club equipment and environment.

Signed by:- _____ (Club Member(s))

_____ (Parent/Guardian)