



# West Leigh Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

In the past we were fortunate enough to run a successful chess club in school, with many of our members even taking part in Essex Championships. In recent years we have struggled to find a chess coach for the children, but two parents have kindly put themselves forward and have even completed training from Chess in Schools in their own time in order to provide a chess club at West Leigh Junior School.

Chess Club will take place on Friday mornings between 8.00 and 8.40am in the Lower School Hall, with the first session taking place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. In order to cover the cost of workbooks and online memberships, there will be a small charge of £15.00 for each half term.

We would like to emphasise that this club will be running through a curriculum, based on attendance for the year – therefore, attending this club will be a commitment. It would be difficult to add children later in the year as we will be unable to return to the beginning of the curriculum. The club will aim to cater to all ages and abilities – from beginners to grand masters!

If you would like to book a place for your child at Chess Club, please book via ParentPay. Booking will open at 5.00pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. We anticipate this to be a popular club so places will be filled quickly.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs C. London