

# MANOR

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY, YORK

Established 1812 • Principal: Mr Simon Barber, MA



25 June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Chess Club: September 2018**

We are hoping to run a **weekly Chess Club from September 2018 afterschool in the Learning Resources Centre** at Manor CE Academy as we acknowledge the benefits playing chess can bring to our students.

Children who play chess regular can benefit from :

- a raised IQ level;
- increases in creativity and problem solving skills;
- improvement in their memory, reading skills and concentration;
- the teaching of planning and foresight.

Peter Clousdale, from York is an **experienced English Chess Federation Coach** and works in a number of local schools. It is expected that the Chess sessions will be extremely **fun** and **for all levels of ability**. They will include training together with competitions in the LRC.

There are a number of County events in which pupils can participate and **specialist coaching** will be provided on **opening, middle game and end game strategies**. A number of chess puzzles and positions will be analysed on the chess display board too. The weekly charge would be £3.00 payable half termly in advance. However, at this stage we are just trying to gauge numbers and have not set a date or time.

If you are interested in your child attending this fun and unique club, **please complete the attached slip and return it to Mrs O'Neill in the LRC by 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018**.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M O'Neill

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I give permission for ..... to attend the weekly afterschool Chess Club in September 2018. I understand that the charge is £3.00 per session payable half termly in advance.

Parent/Guardian's Name: .....

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