



WPS P&C Chess Club Annual General Meeting 2015

Convenor's Report 2016

The Chess Club in 2016 consolidated its strong position from 2015. We have a new record of enrolments with an extra class (5 in total).

Advanced – 24
Intermediate – 19
Junior – 24
Novice – 29
Kindy - 16

In 2016 we have ended with 112 children up from 90 on the previous year with an extra class for Kindy students. Our club is truly representative of the Willoughby School Community.

We are looking forward to hosting the interschool chess competition in November and will send a team of 12 to the Castle Cove competition on the 8th of Nov. We also participated in the JCL competition earlier this year.

Volunteers continue to be the backbone of the Chess Club. In 2016 we have had fantastic engagement from the parent body and a new system for rolls and rosters including reminder emails. A special thanks for those who gave their time this year for car-pooling and supervision at tournaments. However there would have been no club without the tireless work of the executive who have performed 'over and above' for the entire year. They are Sharon Blaney, Janice Choy, Peter Newman, Catherine Lloyd, Melonie Bayl-Smith and Helen Bromley-Fox. Many thanks.

We bid farewell and a huge thank you for the service of Janice Choy, Peter Newman, and Helen Bromley-Fox to the Chess Club, as they exit the exec at the end of 2016. We are currently recruiting new exec members but the remaining exec is committed.

We are grateful to the school for the use of the classrooms each Tuesday and for the use of the school hall on two occasions this year. The school P&C assists us greatly through the website and online store.

(This is copied from last year, but needs no modification and is just as relevant!)
And last, but not least, to the 'Chess parents'. Thank you for doing class supervisions so willingly and for paying for your children to come to Chess and getting them to school at 7:45am and allowing them to sometimes skip school and travel to represent WPS in Chess competitions.

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