



WPS P&C Chess Club

Term 3 2019 report

Convenor's Report

We have 70 chess students across 5 classes which is slightly lower than the same time last year. We have now split Chess Club days so classes run before school on Tuesdays and Thursdays with kindly now running on Tuesdays (since term 3) as a third class.

Chess Tournaments

In addition to our weekly chess classes there are opportunities for students to attend chess tournaments throughout the year. At the end of term 2 we held our annual WPS Chess Tournament with 32 kids attending. On 26 August, WPS will be hosting the semi-final for the northern area chess tournament. Five students from WPS will attend and compete against 50 children from other schools.

Finances

Chess Club has recorded a modest surplus of \$1,079 for the year to date. The club has net assets of \$14,055 at the date of this report which will enable it to continue to subsidise the cost of transport to and from chess tournaments for students going forward.

A copy of the Profit and Loss and Balance sheet for the period ended 13 August 2019 is attached to this report.

Other Matters

The chess classes have been moved out of the demountable classrooms, to the hallway in the main rose garden building. The chess exec team have met with school exec to remedy this situation and return the chess lessons to classrooms. To help facilitate this, the chess club renewed the code of conduct to align with the Willoughby Way principles and have had chess club students commit to this. We also have an additional parent supervisor in every chess lesson in addition to the SAC chess tutor.

After doing all the above-mentioned things we have not been allocated classrooms. If classrooms cannot be provided for the before school chess classes, we feel the provision of chairs and tables would be helpful.

Chess hoodies and Chess polo shirts were handed over to the Uniform shop last year. The cost of the hoodies was written off at the time. Any hoodies still held by the uniform shop in August 2019 will be taken back to the chess club and handed out. This will leave the chess polo as the only chess clothing item which will continue to be managed by the uniform shop going forward.

The current Chess Club executive is Nathan Isterling, Catherine Lloyd, Frieda Chen Lingna Ma & Cameron McNeil. Many thanks to all.

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. However, we will be reserving the right to refuse enrolment for parents that do not assist in at least one supervision per year.

Nathan Isterling
Convenor