

DORSET JUNIOR CHESS FESTIVAL 2022



SUNDAY 8TH MAY: 12.00 to 17.00

MERLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE, HARRIER DRIVE, MERLEY, WIMBORNE BH21 1XE

Dorset Junior Chess is excited to announce the inaugural **Dorset Junior Chess Festival!**

Whether you are a **complete novice** or **an experienced player**, **all** juniors in **school years 2 to 13 inclusive** from **across Dorset** are invited to take part in this fantastic **FUN** chess event.

The Junior Chess Festival will incorporate a wide range of exciting chess activities:

- A chess tournament with separate sections for all levels of players
- An introduction to chess for beginners
- Bitesize coaching sessions by top local players (12.00 to 15.30)
- A simultaneous chess display
- Other chess events, a raffle, chess puzzles and prizes throughout the day



Doors for the festival will **open** at **12.00**. We expect the fun day to finish at around **17.00**.

Tournament sections will be based on experience, so everyone has a chance to win a medal whatever their level! As it's not a knockout, all players will be able to play 6 rounds of chess. The tournament will commence at **12.30** and is expected to finish around **15.30**.

Coaching and other events will run throughout the afternoon. Juniors are welcome to join at any point.



The **simultaneous** chess display, where a local player will take on all juniors at the same time, will finish off the day at around **15.45**. Lots of fun and a prize for all winners and the last person standing!

There will be certificates for all attendees

How to join this exciting chess event

Entry to the Festival is FREE!

To help plan numbers, please could you confirm your attendance (and if you wish to play in the tournament) on the Dorset Chess website https://www.dorsetchess.co.uk/djcf-2022/ or emailing Nikki Forster, the Dorset Junior Chess Coordinator at nikkiforster2015@gmail.com.

Venue

There will be **free** tea, coffee, squash & biscuits available throughout and snacks at a notional cost.

There will be plenty of space for parents. Free WiFi is available. There may be chess books for sale and a chess club stall.

Please note: Parents and guardians remain responsible for the welfare of their children. We may take photographs during the festival for use on the Dorset Chess website and in newsletters and ask that parents/guardians indicate if they **do not** give permission for these to be used.