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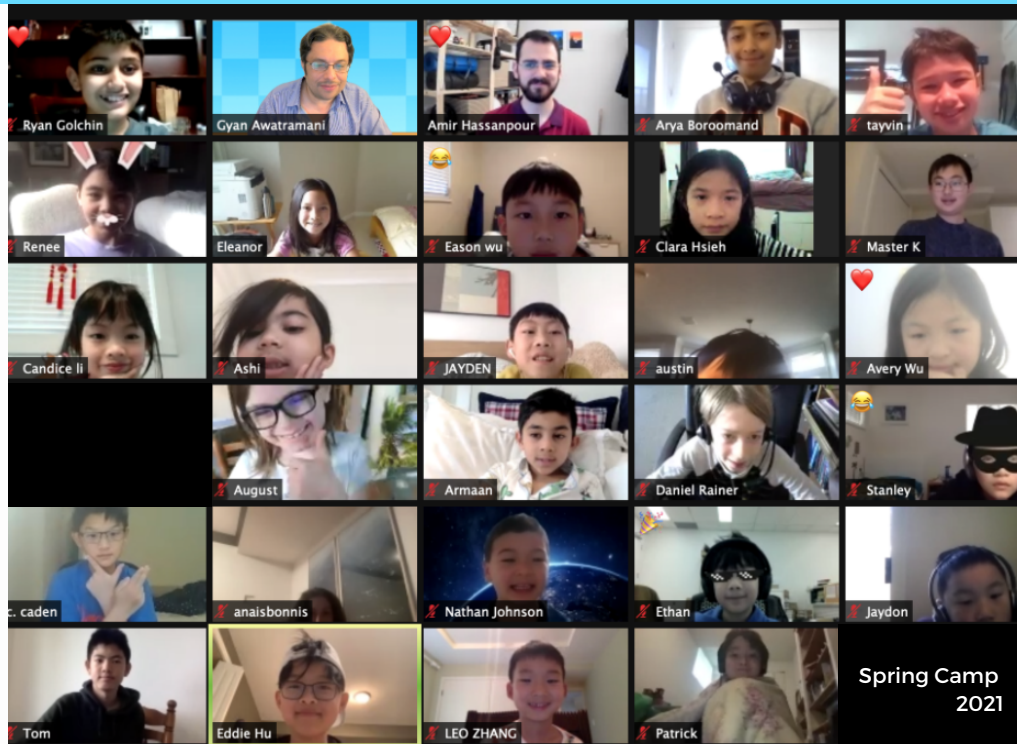
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See a full list of events at
<https://www.vanchess.ca/events>



SPRING TERM STARTS APR 5

Register here:
<https://www.vanchess.ca/groups>

PRO-D DAY CAMPS | APR 24, MAY 26

VCS will be hosting our popular Pro-D day camps virtually for students on April 24 and May 26 this year. These camps are open to students of all levels and provide a wide variety of chess related activities to both strengthen students' chess skills and be entertaining throughout the camp. Activities include tactics, opening repertoire, and friendly tournaments. Students will have an opportunity to meet new friends and play new opponents who aren't in their regular group classes.

Space is limited – sign up now and guarantee a Pro-D day of fun chess activities!

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LET'S FEATURE YOU NEXT MONTH!

Have a good story, achievement, or quote that you want featured in next month's newsletter? We'd love to hear it! Contact Joanne at joannevanchess@gmail.com



Featured Student: Sky Cui

Kindergarten student Sky Cui recently joined VCS and has had tremendous progress, winning several recent Quad tournaments. His rating has nearly reached 800, an impressive achievement for his young age! He is always positive and enthusiastic, bringing a great energy to our school. Congratulations Sky!

NATIONAL PREPARATION PROGRAM | APR 17

VCS is proud to present our National and Provincial Championship training program once again. This year's edition will take place online, but students will receive the same high-quality training by previous National Champions who know what it takes to reach to top at the highest levels. An intensive yet fun course, this is the perfect opportunity to learn from top players and prepare for upcoming championships. Register online to save your spot:

<https://www.vanchess.ca/tournaments/view/id/5097>

MONTHLY CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP | APR 24

VCS will host the next Monthly Class Championship on April 24, 2021. This tournament pairs players of similar level in 5 rounds of 30-minute games. This is an excellent chance for players to play longer games against other players of a similar level. Details and registration are on the website:

<https://www.vanchess.ca/tournaments/view/id/5106>



April Puzzle: White to move and mate in 3

MARCH IN REVIEW

Our Spring Break Camps were a great success, with a record turnout of 43 students joining virtually. Campers learned tactics, openings, and participated in friendly and rated tournaments. Our older Bishop and Pre-Rook level students generously volunteered their time to assist with camp activities and inspire our more junior students. A special thanks to volunteers Arya Boroomand, Wesley Russell, Ryan Golchin, Ryan Cheng, Kaiqi Li and Kaden Li for their exceptional efforts and leadership!

Congratulations to all the students who received a promotion to the next level in their group class in March!