

VANCOUVER CHESS SCHOOL

WISHING ALL FAMILIES A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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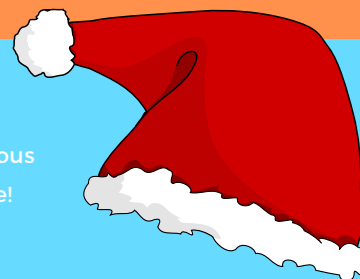
NATIONAL PREPARATION PROGRAM | JAN 7

The next semester of the National Preparation Program is beginning on January 7, with weekly workshop sessions designed to help students attain maximum results in the upcoming tournament season. Students will be grouped according to their level, with specialized training for each level taught by national champions. Tailor your opening repertoire to your strengths, train your tactical vision, and analyse your games. Continuing from the Fall session, the NPP will also incorporate our Rook Endgame Series lessons for approximately 35% of the NPP. This endgame series includes thematic endgame tournaments, dynamic lessons and puzzle solving. Register [here](#).

'To improve at chess you should in the first instance study endgames' - World Champion Capablanca

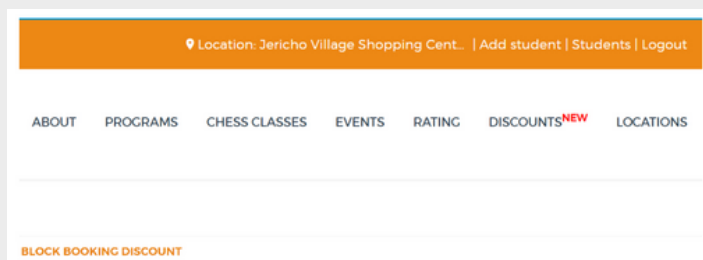
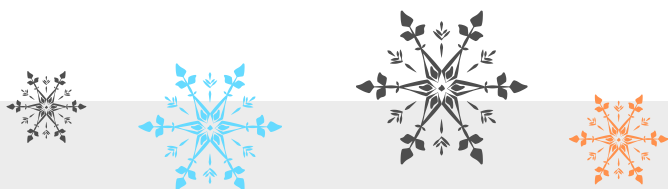
VCS 2022 CHRISTMAS PARTY | DEC 10

We are looking forward to welcoming all pre-registered students and families to a delicious lunch at the Arbutus Club. There will be games, food, prizes and holiday cheer - see you there!



FEATURED STUDENT: SOFIA VIGURS

Sofia has been an outstanding pre-Knight student who has met the requirements for her promotion to the Knight Class. She regularly participates in tournaments and practices on the chess heroes platform diligently everyday, as can be seen by her extensive Chess Heroes treasure collection (above). Her current focus is improving her endgame technique using the chess heroes platform and this has resulted in a dramatic improvement in her play. Congratulations Sofia!



REGIONAL QUALIFIER #1 | DEC 3, DEC 4, DEC 11

All students are invited for the first chance to qualify for the 2023 BC Chess Challenge, taking place in May. All players scoring 2.5/5 points or higher will automatically qualify for the provincial event. This is one of the most popular events of the year and spots are limited in this in-person event. Register [online](#).

CHRISTMAS CAMPS | DECEMBER HOLIDAYS

Look forward to the holiday season with our Christmas Camps! Camps run all day for both weeks of the Christmas holiday period taking place in person at the Jericho Office. Pizza will be provided, and half-day camps are also available. Campers will have a great time playing friendly games, learning new skills and meeting new friends. Register [here](#) to save your spot.



Congratulations to Ansun and Markus for second place in the booster section and U700 section respectively (left). Many other VCS students also had excellent results - see the final results [here](#). Congratulations to all players!

PROMOTION - TOURNAMENT DISCOUNT

We are excited to announce a discount on all spring events booked before the end of the year. All tournaments between Jan 1 - Mar 31 2023 registered for before Dec 31 2022 will be discounted for all participants. There is no limit on the promotion so register for all the tournaments you're interested in [now](#)!