# VANCOUVER CHESS SCHOOL

ALL GIRLS ARE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP

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Provincial Chess Challenge National Preparation Program Monthly Class Championship All-Girls Championship Featured Student

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## **Summer Camps**

Looking for a rewarding summer activity for your child? You're in the right place! Our Summer Chess Camps are designed to empower, challenge, and engage young minds, all while having fun! Following our highly successful Spring camps, which were fully booked, we're excited to bring you even more this summer! Our campers thrived in 30 hours of dynamic chess activities,



with the vast majority passing their qualification tests and moving on to the next level in our program. Details and registration is on the events <u>page</u>.

## VCS ALL GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP | APR 30

All female VCS students are invited to participate in the 2023 VCS All Girls Championship for a chance to win trophies and be the undisputed top girl of VCS. Players will play 5 rounds of G20 games, and will be separated into 5 sections based on their rating. This is a unique event that encourages girls to play their best, meet new friends. and increase their tournament experience in a competitive but friendly environment. This tournament is in person at the Jericho office and spaces are limited so register online <u>here</u>. See you there!



Photo: The inaugural All Girls Championship

# VCS COACH JANAK BEATS MAGNUS CARLSEN!

Congrats to Janak for an amazing result in a 20-game match against world champion Magnus Carlsen! Carlsen won the match 13.5-6.5 - a big congratulations to Janak for some incredible wins in this match. You can watch Janak beat Carlsen on <u>YouTube</u>.



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#### FEATURED STUDENT: BURT JIANG

Burt Jiang is a dedicated and enthusiastic student who has recently been promoted to the Knight level class. Burt's commitment to the game is truly impressive. He has participated regularly in chess tournaments, and his hard work has led to a remarkable improvement in his ratings. He has enrolled in the NPP program for the spring semester and is eager to train with the best. Keep it up Burt!

### **QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS!**

The VCS Individual Championships in May will be an official Canadian Youth Championships qualifier! Read more about the CYCC event <u>here</u>; Register for your section <u>online</u>.

## **NATIONAL PREPARATION PROGRAM | APR 15**

The National Preparation Program is continuing this month, with weekly workshop sessions designed to help students attain maximum results in the upcoming tournament season. Students will be grouped according to their level, and will be taught by former National Champions who know what it takes to be successful at the National level. The lessons include opening repertoire, tactics training and endgame study. Registration and details are <u>online</u>.

#### PRO-D DAY CAMP | APR 7, 10, 24

VCS is excited to present three Pro-D day camps this month at the Jericho Office. Participants will be split into groups based on their levels, and will learn new openings, tactics, and endgame technique. The camps will include lessons, fun tournaments, thematic games and game analysis with our coaches. If you're looking for a fun way to spend your Pro-D day and make some new friends, this is the perfect event for you! Register <u>online</u>.

#### **MONTHLY CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS | APR 29**

The next monthly class championship is taking place on April 29. Students will play 5 rounds of G15+10 games against opponents of a similar level, giving everyone good experience in longer games. This tournament is an excellent chance to gain rating points and earn a promotion to the next level. Register <u>here</u>

#### **MARCH IN REVIEW - SPRING CAMPS**

Thank you to all students and parents who came out and joined our Spring Break camps. Students all had a great time learning chess while meeting new friends over the 2 week break.

We are always looking for more volunteers to assist our coaches running these camps. If you're a senior VCS student looking for volunteer hours and to grow your teaching experience, please reach out to info@vanchess.ca.

