## LUNCHTIME CHESS AT TETHERDOWN

After a break over the summer term, lunchtime chess is back in the new autumn term.

- Wednesday lunchtime will be for Yr3-4 children.
- Thursday lunchtime will be for Yr5-6 children.
- Friday lunchtime chess will be the NEW Yr2 session.

Each session aims to give children the opportunity to enjoy playing chess whilst learning to improve their game.

Sessions are divided in two parts. We start with a short coaching session covering anything from opening traps, chess tactics to win material, end game checkmate patterns, middle game plans etc.

Afterwards the children play chess with their friends which to be frank is what they really want to do!

Children making progress in chess get an opportunity to represent the school's U9 and U11 chess teams in local, regional and national tournaments.

## **NEW Friday Yr2 chess**

The new Yr2 chess session will be on Friday lunchtime. Unlike the other Year Group sessions, it is open to absolute beginners but it helps if children know the basics of the game (or can learn them over the summer).

Chess is led by FIDE National Instructor Kamlesh Karia who has run chess sessions at Tetherdown for several years now. He also runs breakfast, lunchtime and after school chess clubs in other local schools including Eden Primary, Coldfall and Rhodes Avenue.

Until recently, he worked with the charity 'Chess in Schools and Communities' teaching chess in curriculum time in primary schools in Newham and Tottenham.

If your child plays chess at home and wants to improve or is in Yr2 and wants to learn to play chess, email <u>kamleshkaria@sky.com</u> for more information.