



# ROOK NO FURTHER # 9

## THE WHAT

So, kids, do you want to test your chess skills in a NEW, FUN and EXCITING WAY? And Parents, do you want to know more about upcoming junior tournaments? Then rook no further!

**COACH JOKES:** Q: What did the judge do to the guilty chess player?  
A: He threw the rook at him 😊

## TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: ON ATTACKING CHESS

Particularly in the middle part of the game, attacking chess is by and large about being inspired by the ideas of the grandmaster games that have come before us. The themes and attacking principles grandmasters all use, some of which include: placing pieces firmly in holes/weak squares in our opponent's position, establishing strong knight grips over the center, the power of having the "two bishops" sweeping the board, getting heavy pieces (Queens and rooks) doubled on open files and then bringing such pieces down onto the 7th rank etc. All these themes of **positional chess**, (+ many more) - way too many to list, help Grandmasters to win their games. So, needless to say, they can help us too. Ask your coach about them 😊

## PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.  
White to move = W Black to move = B

B



W



W

## MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

1. b3 e5 11. Nxe4

2. Bb2 Nc6 **Black resigns 1-0**

3. e3 d5

4. Bb5 Bd6

5. Nf3 f6

6. d4 e4

7. Nfd2 Ne7

8. c4 a6

9. Bxc6+ Nxc6 **Final Position, a pawn is a pawn is a pawn!!**

10. cxd5 Ne7



## UPCOMING EVENTS

<https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/tournaments/upcoming>

**NORTHERN BEACHES SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD JUNE 1:00pm- 3:50pm**

Online Code: WXNK52SL00

**PYMBLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 29TH JUNE 1:00pm- 3:50pm**

Online Code: CDOBE7HY5L

**BURWOOD CHESS CHALLENGE TUESDAY 9TH JULY 9:00am- 3:30pm**

Online Code: FGY03ECZG9

**HORNSBY SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 14TH JULY 1:00pm- 3:50pm**

Online Code: VD1N2D5C3N

**CANBERRA CHESS CHALLENGE 20 14TH JULY 8:45am- 3:00pm**

Online Code: TFFEZMYQ9K

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