



# Play Chess!

ORGANISED BY SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS

YOUR SCHOOL IS INVITED  
TO PLAY IN THE  
INTERSCHOOL  
CHESS CHALLENGE 2026  
**SEMI FINAL** (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY  
SCHOOLS DIVISIONS)

ENDORSED BY THE NEW SOUTH WALES JUNIOR CHESS LEAGUE (NSWJCL)

# INTERSCHOOL CHESS CHALLENGE

## SEMI FINAL (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS)

Organised by Sydney Academy of Chess. Event endorsed by New South Wales Junior Chess League (NSWJCL).

**DATE:** MONDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2026

**VENUE:** NEWCASTLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL - GATE 1  
SANDI WARREN PERFORMANCE CENTRE  
CORNER OF UNION ST & PARKWAY AVE, COOKS HILL

**DIVISION:** PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

**TIME:** 8:45AM – 9:15AM REGISTRATION  
9:30AM ROUND 1 BEGINS  
2:00PM PRIZEGIVING

THERE WILL BE A LUNCH BREAK, AND SHORT BREAKS BETWEEN THE ROUNDS.

**COST:** \$20 PER CHILD (INVOICED TO SCHOOL AFTER TOURNAMENT)



### FORMAT

This tournament is run as an individual event. The winning school is determined by adding the 4 highest scorers from each school. Your school can enter up to 5 players, for each time that your school has qualified in this season.

This tournament is a 7-round 'Swiss' competition. This means that all players play 7 games and no-one is 'knocked out' of the tournament.

### TIME LIMIT

Chess clocks will be used in this event. There will be a short demonstration on the use of chess clocks before the start of the tournament.

The time limit is 12 minutes + 2 seconds per move for each player per game.

### PRIZES

- ★ Trophies awarded to top scoring players:  
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th.
- ★ Trophies awarded to top 3 placed schools in each division.
- ★ All participants receive an electronic certificate of participation.
- ★ The top 3 schools in each division qualify for the State Finals, to be held in Burwood on Friday 11th Sep (Secondary) and Friday 18th Sep (Primary).

### TO ENTER

Please fill in the spreadsheet found on our website and return to us by emailing your entry to [info@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:info@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au)

To ensure your school's place in the competition, please enter by **Monday 24th August**.

For general enquiries about the tournament, please call our office on (02) 9745 1170.

For information about this event and other chess activities, please visit our website: [www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/interschool](http://www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/interschool)



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