

# Perth Chess Academy

Presented by The Gifted and Talented Children's Association of Western Australia Inc. (<http://gatcawa.org/>)

The Perth Chess Academy meets on seven Saturdays each term and is available to anyone between the ages of 5 and 17. The venue for the academy is Perth Modern School, 90 Roberts Rd, Subiaco WA 6008.

The head instructor for all classes is experienced chess coach **Jay Lakner**.

The session dates are: 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug; 10<sup>th</sup> Aug; 17<sup>th</sup> Aug; 31<sup>st</sup> Aug; 7<sup>th</sup> Sep; 14<sup>th</sup> Sep; and 21<sup>st</sup> Sep.

Note: No classes will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> August.

The academy consists 4 different class levels:

<b><u>Beginners Class</u></b>	<b>Meets 9.00am – 10.30am Saturday</b>
Max Class Size: 24 Students	Appropriate for students new to chess. Students will learn the rules of chess and some basic concepts and strategies.
<b><u>Development Class</u></b>	<b>Meets 11.00am – 12.30pm Saturday</b>
Max Class Size: 40 students	Appropriate for students who know all the rules and have a bit of experience but are unaware of basic chess tactics, strategies and endgames.
<b><u>Advanced Class</u></b>	<b>Meets 1.00pm – 2.30pm Saturday</b>
Max Class Size: 40 Students	Appropriate for students with a lot of experience and have a good grasp of basic tactics. Here they will learn more complex strategies, advanced tactical methods, how to accurately assess positions, form appropriate plans and the basics of calculating variations.
<b><u>Master Class</u></b>	<b>Meets 3.00pm – 6.00pm Saturday</b>
Max Class Size: 40 Students	This class features some of the top junior chess players in WA. Each term the class runs an ACF-rated 7-round Swiss tournament with a time control of 60min. In addition, they complete extremely complex quizzes and participate in difficult training drills.

In the Master Class, **Grand Master Temur Kuybokarov** will be present to give special lessons during the second half of the term. Temur is the current **Australian Chess Champion** and has a wealth of knowledge and experience that he wishes to pass on to WA's best young chess players.

You must have permission from head instructor Jay Lakner to participate in the Master Class. This is to ensure that the quality of the Master Class is very high and that the top players receive the highest quality experience.

All participants of the Master Class must be members of the Chess Association of Western Australia. Visit

[www.cawa.org.au](http://www.cawa.org.au) or simply fill in a registration form at the venue prior to the start of the first-round game.

For all classes, the instructor tries to ensure that students are in the class which will most benefit them. Therefore, if part-way through the term, the instructor believes a student is registered for a class of inappropriate level, he will collaborate with the student and parent to suggest a more appropriate level which they can immediately switch to.

## Term 3 registrations are now open

The registration links are located at <http://gatcawa.org/perth-junior-chess-club/>

More information about the Perth Chess Academy can be found at: <https://laknerchess.com.au/pca-information>

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**Places are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment!**