

THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS' SPORTS ASSOCIATION

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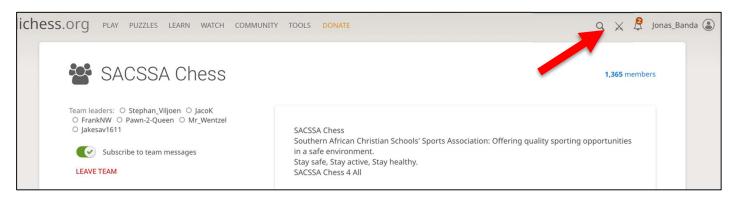
Dear Principal / Chess Co-ordinator / Parents

Re: SACSSA Chess: Online Tournaments

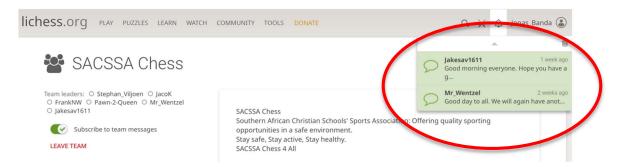
We will be offering SACSSA Chess Online Tournaments for SACSSA Members as well as <u>non-members</u>. The next tournament will be on <u>Saturday 8 March 2025</u>

This tournament is an excellent practice opportunity for players to prepare themselves for the regional and national chess events later this year. Honesty and integrity are very important to us at SACSSA. It is easy for players to cheat in this tournament, but they will just be cheating themselves because they deny themselves the opportunity to get the most out of this practice opportunity. This is also against our values as SACSSA.

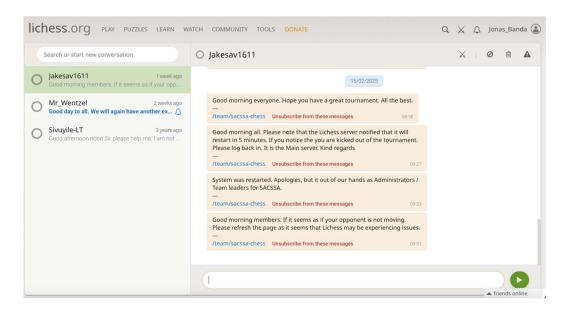
During the previous tournament we picked up a number of issues with Lichess the online platform we use for our tournaments. In order to assist you if such issues occur again it is important that we can communicate during the tournament. A very easy way to communicate is to make use of the messenger that is integrated in Liches. It can be accessed from the following bell icon:



When you click on it will look like this where you can see your messages:



You can click on your messages to see the complete message and to be able to respond:



In this way we will be able to communicate if there are any issues.

To join the Lichess SACSSA Team:

Steps to follow in order to JOIN:

- 1. Go to the Website: lichess.org
- 2. Register as a Player
- 3. Go to Community and JOIN the SACSSA Chess Team.
- 4. Once you have been accepted as part of Team SACSSA you still need to JOIN the relevant Tournament on the day of the tournament when it has been opened for "joining".

The Age Groups are as follows:

G & B 09 – Born 2016 and later

G & B 11 - Born 2014/15

G & B 13 - Born 2012/13

G & B 15 – Born 2010/11

G & B 19 - Born 2006/7/8/9 and earlier

Men and Women - Born 2005 and earlier

Cost: Free

Date: Saturday, 08 March 2025

Time: 09:00 till 10:00

Details: The tournament will only be open to join from 08:00 on the day of the tournament.

Format: Arena Tournament, open for all age groups. Rated on Lichess.

We encourage all our Chess players to get used to the online experience.

Do not delay: Join the SACSSA Chess Online Team:

https://lichess.org/team/sacssa-chess

For any further information, please contact Carl Wentzel at 0827766927 or email carlwentzel@gmail.com

Stay active, stay healthy

SACSSA Chess 4 ALL

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