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Mark your calendars for **September 15**, from 1 pm to 5 pm at Jericho Shopping Centre! Whether you're a prospective student exploring exciting new opportunities or referring a friend who might be interested, we invite you to step into a world of growth and possibilities with us.

Join us for a day filled with insight and discovery! Participate in a dynamic Q&A session where all your questions will be answered, explore our classrooms through guided tours, and experience our personalized learning approach with free assessments. As you immerse yourself in our welcoming community, enjoy complimentary refreshments and the chance to meet like-minded individuals on a journey toward excellence. Come discover what makes us unique - we can't wait to welcome you!

## Fall Terms Registration Now Open!

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**FEATURED STUDENT: CASEY FAN**

Casey Fan's journey from an advanced beginner to a pre-Bishop level player in the span of just a couple of months during the summer, has been nothing short of remarkable. Recognized as our Summer Camper of the Year, his dedication, commitment and hard work have paid off. Not only is Casey an exceptional player, but he also embodies the spirit of sportsmanship. Always kind and supportive, he has made many friends along the way. He is a regular participant in tournaments, showcasing his skills and continuously pushing his limits. With over a dozen medals already under his belt, Casey's achievements speak volumes about his talent and determination. With such an impressive track record and a love for chess, Casey Fan undoubtedly has a bright future ahead. We can't wait to see where his passion and perseverance will take him next!

**AUGUST TACTICS CHALLENGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED!**

A big round of applause to all the participants in our August Tactics Contest! Jennifer Yan delivered an exceptional performance to claim first place, with Alexander Ward securing a strong second. PengSen Fang, YouJia Ye and Dasha Doroshenko showcased their skills to take third, fourth, and fifth places, respectively.

We also want to give special recognition to Charles Fu, the top U6 participant, and Sophia Doroshenko, the top female competitor—both earning additional Chess Heroes cards for their outstanding achievements! We're proud of all our competitors for their dedication and hard work. Keep pushing your limits, and we'll see you at the next challenge!

**VCS CHESS FESTIVAL #8 | SEP 28-29**

VCS is excited to present the 8th Chess Festival on September 28-29! This month's event features a guaranteed **\$5,500** prize fund, along with special awards for top female players in each section. With multiple divisions catering to all skill levels and a thrilling blitz tournament to spice things up, this is a chess event you won't want to miss. Join us at UBC's Ponderosa Ballroom for a weekend packed with competitive matches, great company, and a shared passion for chess. Whether you're vying for the championship or simply enjoy the challenge, there's something for everyone. [Register now](#) and be part of this unforgettable festival!

**REGIONAL QUALIFIER #1 | SEP 29**

We're thrilled to announce the first Regional Qualifier Tournament on September 29 at UBC's impressive Ponderosa Ballroom! Here's your chance to be among the first to secure a spot in the prestigious 2025 BC Chess Challenge, happening in Spring 2025. Players scoring 2.5/5 points or more will automatically qualify for the provincial event, with trophies awarded to the top three players in each grade. This highly anticipated tournament has limited spots available, so don't miss your opportunity to compete in person. [Sign up](#) online today and join the excitement!

**SUNDAY CHESS CLUB | WEEKLY**

We're thrilled to bring back our Sunday Chess Club this Fall at VCS! Each week, players of all ages and abilities can enjoy a range of exciting activities, from casual games and tactical challenges to thematic tournaments with expert insights and fast-paced blitz events. Plus, we're offering free pizza for all participants! Whether you want to improve your game, connect with fellow chess lovers, or simply enjoy a fun, competitive atmosphere, our Sunday Chess Club has something for everyone. Join the fun—[register now](#) and become part of our vibrant chess community!

**FALL PRO-D CAMPS | SEP 20, 30, OCT 14, 25, NOV 11, 22**

We're excited to announce the return of our Fall Pro-D Day Camps at the Jericho Office! It's a great opportunity for students to spend their Pro-D day participating in fun and educational activities. Players will be grouped by skill level to enjoy lessons, thrilling tournaments, themed games, and detailed game analysis from our expert coaches. Plus, everyone gets free pizza to make the day even more enjoyable! [Register now](#) to secure your spot!

## Toronto International Bughouse Tournament

Janak Awatramani (Bughouse World Champion 2020, highest ever Bughouse rating, and long-term VCS coach) & GM Awonder Liang (Bughouse World Champion 2021 and 2022, current world #1) win the Toronto International Bughouse Tournament (the strongest in history) at Wycliffe College, University of Toronto.

[2024 Toronto International Bughouse Tournament Information](#)

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