



DEVON JUNIOR CHESS ASSOCIATION

12th December 2025

West of England and South Wales Inter County Jamboree U14/U18 at BRISTOL GRAMMAR SCHOOL on Saturday 10th January 2026

CONGRATULATIONS! you have been selected to **represent Devon at this event.**
We are taking one team for each of U9 U11 and U14, with two U18 teams (with reserves)

There will be three rounds, with clocks, using jamboree pairings (four rounds for U9).
The prize giving, which concludes the event, will probably be at **about 4.45pm.**

Coach travel will be arranged to run from outside **B&Q Exeter, Avocet Rd, Exeter EX2 7ST** (Sowton Industrial Estate).
Players and any parents/carers are expected to **travel on the team bus.** The coach will leave at 8.45am; please arrive before 8.30am. We have arranged that cars may be left in **B&Q car park**, courtesy of the manager. I will make a donation to their chosen charity **B&Q Foundation** (<https://bqfoundation.org.uk/>) and perhaps you would like to do the same (the alternative is parking at the M5 services where all-day fees are shocking!).

We will leave Bristol after the prizegiving (which may be early or late) and hope to arrive back by 7pm and perhaps earlier. We will give travel updates by on the DJCA website at <https://devonjuniorchess.co.uk/content/trip-timing-djcatrip> and will remind players to call you when we are within striking distance of Exeter.

We need to **charge £20** per player towards the costs of running the event, which is also being subsidised by our funds. **We would very much like parents/carers of U11 and U9 players to come with us;** we may have a few places for U14/U18 parents. Parents/carers will also pay **£20** each, please; payment options are shown on the form. You may travel separately to the event but please pay £20 (the entry fee is £250+£1 per player and the coach costs £700).

Everyone will need to bring a **packed lunch**, although there will probably be a tuck shop selling snacks, drinks etc. There will also be Mr.Onions' **chess shop.**

Please apply and pay at: <https://devonjuniorchess.co.uk/jam26> **as soon as possible** and at the latest by **Monday 22nd December 2025.** If you can't play, **please let me know even sooner,** so we can select replacements.

We very much hope that we will be able to field our strongest team – we are previous winners of the U14s and U18s!

Please do contact me if you have any questions or would like any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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P.S. We haven't decided the board order yet. Reserves will get the same number of games and the same coaching support as other players, and we will rotate the last board so that everyone gets to play a game for the main team.

U14 and U18: Please write down all your moves for the games – or as many as you can – and I will give you some coaching notes on your games, and add to our collection of booklets. You will find some good advice there to prepare for the event! See <https://devonjuniorchess.co.uk/content/devon-u14-chess-team>.

Do note:

- Please don't use your own score books (that's now against the rules)
- Please use duplicate score sheets so you and I both keep a copy
- Please fill in all the headings on the score sheet each time - the example shown is perfect

Event... Wales and the West Round... 2 Board... 1
White... Caleb Calkin
Black... Allison Smith
Date... 14/01/23 Opening.....
Result
1 e4 e6 30 Bxb5 Kc7 59
2 d4 d5 31 Bb2 Kfe 60