



## ICA Children's Chess Tournament – Aarav Ananth Memorial

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Organized by Innovators Chess Academy in memory of Aarav Ananth on January 25, 2026 at Silicon City Academy of Secondary Education, Konanakunte, Bangalore. Register on [www.icachess.in](http://www.icachess.in).

### About Aarav Ananth



### Aarav Ananth – In Loving Memory

Aarav was a bright, honest, and quick learner, admired by everyone who met him. From a young age, he displayed a rare blend of intelligence, discipline, and curiosity.

He discovered chess at the age of four and was trained by Karthik Shetty of Innovators Chess Academy. An “A” grade student in academics, Aarav was a true all-rounder who loved multitasking and exploring new interests. His hobbies included swimming, cricket, piano, reading books such as *Wings of Fire* and *Harry Potter*, and above all, playing chess.

As he grew older, chess became his greatest passion. Whether solving puzzles, competing online, or playing with his father, cousins, friends, and even his uncle in Australia, Aarav always found joy in the game. He could solve a Rubik's Cube in under a minute and enjoyed football and cricket like most children his age — yet chess remained closest to his heart.

Every day after school, Aarav followed a disciplined routine — changing out of his uniform, eating quickly, and joining his online chess sessions on alternate days. On the remaining days, he attended live music classes, balancing everything with self-study. His dedication inspired several of his friends to take up chess and play alongside him.

In the last four months of his life, Aarav bravely battled Glioblastoma Grade 4. Even during this difficult period, his love for learning, his perseverance, and his passion for chess never faded.

Aarav continues to inspire everyone who knew him. This tournament is held in his memory — to celebrate his spirit, his love for chess, and the joy he brought into so many lives.

## **Registration:**

Entry fee is Rs 650/- for all. Register on [icachess.in](http://icachess.in). Last date for receipt of entries is January 23, 2026

### **Players Meeting at 9.30 am**

#### **Round Schedule**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Round</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Round 5</b>	<b>2.30 pm</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Round</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Round 6</b>	<b>3.30 pm</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Round</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Round 7</b>	<b>4.30 pm</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>1.30 pm</b>		

## **Rules and Regulations**

- 1) All players from Karnataka must provide their KSCA ID at the time of registration. To register/renew your KSCA membership, please refer the link below  
<https://karnatakachess.com/player-registration/>
- 2) Tie break for the Event will be announced and explained in the Players Meeting. The same will be published on the Notice Board during the Tournament.
- 3) Default time (Walkover time): The default time will be 5 minutes.
- 4) Any protest against a decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be submitted in writing within 10 minutes of the incident, accompanied by a protest fee of ₹500/-. The fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all participants.
- 5) Participation Certificate: E-Certificates will be provided to all participants. The same will be uploaded within 15 days from the conclusion of the Event on [icachess.in](http://icachess.in).
- 6) Possession of any electronic device, including wristwatches, during play is strictly prohibited. Violation may result in forfeiture of the game.
- 7) The Tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess – FIDE Swiss System of 9 Rounds.
- 8) Parents and non-participants are not allowed inside the Tournament Hall during play.
- 9) Time Control - 15 Minutes each with 5 seconds increment from move number one.

Top 5 players (Boys and Girls) will be awarded beautiful ICA Trophies in the Under 7, U-9, U-11, U-13 and U-18 categories

Eligibility: Under 7 – born on or after 01-Jan-2019

Under 9 – born on or after 01-Jan-2017

Under 11 – born on or after 01-Jan-2015

Under 13 – born on or after 01-Jan-2013

Under 18 – born on or after 01-Jan-2008

- Players qualified for more than one prizes will be considered only for higher prize.
- Participation certificate in the form of E-Certificates will be awarded to all the participants. Merit Certificates will be awarded to all Prize winners during the Prize Distribution.

Venue Address:

Silicon City Academy of Secondary Education,  
Kumar Nursery, Off Kanakapura Road, New Bank Colony, Chunchankatte, Konanakunte, Bangalore

Google Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/5eZfyBxkBnUmcnpj9>

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