

## Chess News

On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April, St Faith's welcomed 260 children and their parents for the West Anglia Megafinal. Having qualified through their individual school clubs, children from three counties congregated in Ashburton Hall to play in this regional tournament. The field is tough, with the best players from each age category in each school pitting their wits against each other. Each child plays six games and needs four wins to qualify for the next round in the summer: the Gigafinal.

This year, we had a record-breaking number of qualifiers for the Gigafinal, with five in all! Congratulations to the following children who have a choice of playing in the southern Gigafinal in Twickenham or its northern counterpart in Manchester:

Ryan Stubbs, Year 3

Matthew Young, Year 3

Amer Amen, Year 4

William Marshman, Year 6

Aman Bashir, Year 8

Congratulations also to Flora McCaig, who won a trophy for finishing in first place out of the girls in her age category.

In other chess news, we now have a giant chess set in Tom's Garden so children can sharpen their tactics whilst getting fresh air, as chess slowly begins to take over the school.