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Activities

Saturday club: This continues to be a very good way of bringing the children from different schools together to play and compete face to face. Parents of these children make donations each term, and these make a significant contribution to the cost of paying helpers/supervisors for the sessions.

Online teaching: All teaching outside of Saturday sessions now takes place online and is carried out by myself, which means that there is no cost. This has helped to reduce expenses significantly. The children are grouped according to ability, with those from different schools able to learn together. I run four after school sessions per week for these groups.

The children continue to participate in both national and international competitions, with many of them being acrive members of the England U16 squad.

Income sources

In addition to contributions from parents of the Saturday group participants, we have received two larger donations of £1000 each in the year to April 2026. Patreon donations are continuing to provide some income.

Challenges for the future

A significant amount of time has been devoted to the building of the new website. A lot of new learning content (videos, quizzes and practice hands) has been created with the aim of having the site ready for launch in summer 2026.

The new site will have two functions:

To attract new players to the game via social media campaigns using the message that puzzle enthusiasts will enjoy bridge.

To provide a full set of structured learning materials for groups of players in schools. Our partner charity, English Bridge Education & Development (EBED) is promoting the teaching of bridge in schools and these student resources are central to their offering.