Round 1

There was good news immediately for the Welsh. Ifan shocked his 2120 (Former Yugoslavian Republic of) Macedonia opponent by securing a fantastic win with black. An excellent start to his competition and one of only a few results in the U14s to go against the seeding.

In the U16s Hugo faced (and faces) a tremendous battle. This section is incredibly strong with 63 players graded over 2200. His opponent was the Kazakhstan no. 2 graded 2297. Hugo made an ambitious sacrifice, but slightly miscalculated and was punished accordingly.