

Samuel and Amy Milson continued to show their chess prowess this time in the UK Land Challenge. Both started their progress with the first stage in their respective year groups at King Edward VI School in Louth, Samuel in the Under 16 boys and Amy in the Under 14 Girls.

The next stage was the Megafinal held at county level and the Lincolnshire event was held in May at St Mary's Prep School in Lincoln where both came top of their groups (Supremo and Suprema) progressing to the North of England Gigafinal held at Dukinfield Town Hall in July along with all those who qualified with the necessary 4 points out of 6.

Again Samuel and Amy were Supremo/Suprema in their age groups and also qualifying for the National Terafinal held at Warwick School in August were Sailesh Sitaram from Stamford JS who came second in the Under 9 boys, Robert Ward from Thurlby Community PS and William Seed from Lisle Marsden PS both in the Under 11 boys, Sam Bagley-Pett from Lisle Marsden in the Under 8 boys and Jemi Maliyil from New Waltham PS in the Under 10 girls.

In the final, all the players were grouped together into one competition and Samuel came equal second winning £335 and Amy came equal 15th winning £65 but was the second ranked girl. Sailesh Sitaram finished in equal 27th place winning £10 and was credited with being equal second in the under 9 boys - a name for the future perhaps.

Meanwhile, a white to mate in 2 to whet your appetite.

