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Dear Reverend Brown School Parents:

In December of last year, we finished our Fall '16 Reverend Brown School after-school Chess Club program. We will continue the Chess Club with the Winter '17 program of ten weekly one hour and fifteen minute chess classes, immediately after school on Fridays, from 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm, **beginning on January 20**, and continuing on Jan. 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10, 17, and 24. The program is available to students from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4th grade. The cost for the series of 10 classes will be \$175.

**You may reserve your child's place in the Club by emailing me at [martysobin@jerseychess.com](mailto:martysobin@jerseychess.com) that they will be attending, but to complete your child's registration, you must return the attached form by snail mail to me at Jersey Chess, 91 Fox Hollow Road, Sparta, NJ 07871 with a check for \$175 payable to Jersey Chess by January 18, 2017. The class is limited to 20 students and registration acceptance is on a first come, first served basis.**

For those who don't know me, this is my sixth year teaching chess after school at Reverend Brown. I have been teaching chess students for the past ten years at numerous schools, community groups and individually throughout northern and central New Jersey. This past summer I taught weekly chess programs at summer camps at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg, NJ and Gill St. Bernard School in Gladstone, NJ. For the current school year, I am running chess programs at St. Joseph's School in Mendham, Hilltop Country Day School in Sparta, and Gill St. Bernard School, among others.

My goal is not just to teach your children how to play chess, but to instill in them a love for the game, so that they will play often, get better at it, and hopefully, for some, play competitively at tournaments. I hope that we can grow the chess program at Reverend Brown School even more than in the past and get a large number of students actively participating in the fascinating and fun world of chess.

There are numerous individual and team events during the upcoming school year in which I would like to have players participate. For example, the Northwest NJ Scholastic Team Tournament, is a fun and competitive annual team event that will take place in June, 2016. The tournament in 2015 took place on the boardwalk at Lake Mohawk and had 50 teams participating, including a Rev. Brown school team.

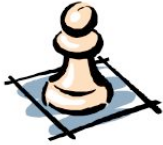
Chess is a great game that players can play all their lives. Numerous studies show that it helps develop logical thinking and other cognitive abilities in students and teaches the values of hard work, concentration and discipline. Playing in a class/team environment also helps students develop social skills and instills a sense of self confidence and self worth.

If you have any questions about the RBS Chess Club program, please don't hesitate to contact me by email ([martysobin@jerseychess.com](mailto:martysobin@jerseychess.com)) or phone (973-729-9492).

I look forward to the opportunity to work with your children and to build the chess program at Reverend Brown.

*Marty Sobin, Chess Instructor*

*Shouldn't your child be having fun playing competitive chess?*



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**REVEREND BROWN AFTER-SCHOOL CHESS CLUB REGISTRATION**

I would like to have my child: (please print name in following space)

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participate in the Reverend Brown Friday After-School Chess Club at 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm beginning on Jan. 20, and continuing on Jan. 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10, 17, and 24.

Attached please find a check for \$175 **payable to Jersey Chess** to pay for the 10 session program.

Student's Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Allergies/Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Emergency Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please tear off so you will have the dates of the Reverend Brown after-school Chess Club program for your records: Fridays from 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm beginning Jan. 20, and continuing on Jan. 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10, 17, and 24.

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