Primary Chess Enrichment Course No: 1

Dear Parent,

Your child has the opportunity to participate in a unique Chess Enrichment Course at GSLC being offered only to Year 6 students at this time. There are many educational benefits to chess for children, by providing a complete Chess Enrichment Course, such as:

- The ability to visualise moves and patterns in their minds
- To create plans
- To focus their thoughts and energies
- To solve problems as they occur
- To apply sets of knowledge in dynamic and creative ways

All of these skills are also transferable into their academic pursuits. In addition, as the students’ skills and confidence increases, they will be given the opportunity to participate is some chess tournaments.

The Chess Enrichment Course 1 will be a weekly program of one hour duration until the end of 2010. Commencing in 2011 Course No 2 will be available for those students who have completed the first Chess Course and wish to further their chess knowledge with a comprehensive program and training course. Each session will comprise of the following format:

1. Address difficulties, if any, in the homework assignments
2. Review previously studied materials
3. Board drills
4. Chess Rules
5. Introduce and explain new subject matter
6. Assign homework for the next lesson (provide handout material)
7. Supervise practice games.
8. Mini tournaments held once a month on campus

There is a small annual registration charge that must be paid to cover the cost of some basic materials such as a training board and pieces, which become the property of the student. The College will provide competition boards, pieces, chess clocks, handouts and other lesson material.

**Registration Cost:** $75* annual fee (valid until December 2010)

**Session:** Term 4 2009, Tuesday s 7.30am-8.30am, commencing Tuesday 20th October, 09

**Venue:** Primary Art/Music room

**Facilitator:** Mr Greg Collins (College Parent and former competitive chess player)

**Who can participate:** Any interested Year 6 student.

Please fill out the attached Chess Enrichment Course enrolment form and return it to the Primary Admin with the registration fee by Friday 16th October, 2009.

Regards,

Iris Hall
Head of Primary

*There is no financial gain for the College or Mr Collins through this program. The registration fee covers the provided materials for the student for a 12 month period.
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Registration Form

I consent for my child to participate in the Chess Enrichment Course at Good Shepherd, until December 2010. I acknowledge that the $75 fee is non-refundable and that there will be no other fees or charges associated with the course, excluding:

a. Future tournament registrations. (More likely during Chess Enrichment Course No 2)
b. Chess Activities & Exercises Manual for the students to assist with homework (Approx $25 for the 2 books and this will depend on the students ability and be issued in 2010 if required)

I acknowledge that although my child is not obligated to attend every session, I will encourage him/her to attend to help maintain the integrity of the experience, ensure continuity of the program and enhance their skill development.

I acknowledge that Mr Greg Collins is blue card compliant and although not an employee of the college, is acting under the direct supervision and authority of Good Shepherd Lutheran College.

Child’s Name: ________________________________

Current Year level and class teacher: ________________________________

Parent/Guardian’s Name: ________________________________________

Preferred method of contact: (please circle option)  

Home Phone          Mobile         Email

Contact Details: __________________________________________

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Signature _________________________________________________
(parent/guardian)