

## Badminton – Year 7-8 Lunchtime Programme Term 1, 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The **2025 Pinehurst Badminton Programme** has been designed for students who wish to try Badminton for the first time, and to support those who want to improve their skills.

The lunchtime sessions will be *coached by our senior students* who have completed the **Badminton World Federation (BWF) Shuttle Time Coaching Certificate** and have attended a practical component offered by the North Harbour Badminton Association – current National winners of the New Zealanders Interclub Competition.

*Certified Shuttle Time Youth Leaders* are trained and certified to coach and run Junior badminton clubs. The **BWF Shuttle Time programme** is currently implemented in more than 160 countries. The lessons are designed to provide children with a positive image of badminton through many opportunities to have fun, engage with others and experience success in learning the skills required to become confident badminton players.

Pinehurst students who sign up to the lunchtime coaching sessions will be issued with a **Pinehurst Badminton Players Booklet**. The booklet is a record of skills mastered during the coaching sessions – racquet and footwork skills, serve and rally techniques, court position and tactics learned, and knowledge of the rules.

It is anticipated that over the years many of the younger students learning the skills now, will become *Certified Shuttle Time Youth Leaders* in the future as senior students and leaders at Pinehurst.

**Location:** Pinehurst School Gymnasium

**Day:** Year 7 - 8 – Thursday Sessions

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Mar

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Mar

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Time** 1:00pm – 1:30pm
- Required:** Pinehurst PE Uniform & suitable sports shoes  
All other equipment is provided (students may bring their own racquets).  
*NB – students will be unable to participate in a session without PE uniform and/or suitable sports shoes.*
- Fees:** \$30.00 per student.
- Registration:** Please register online through the Pinehurst School website - [Click here to register](#)  
Registrations open from 12pm, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025.  
Limited spaces are available.  
**Registrations will close when the programme reaches capacity, or no later than 9am Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February.**

It is important to note when registrations close, Pinehurst School then commits the players to the event/sport and therefore has to honour these fees. If you were to withdraw your child after the registration closing date and ask for a refund, this would mean other parents are effectively paying for this fee. To be fair on other parents, students and their families, Pinehurst School will under no circumstances refund after the registration closing date.

Kind Regards,

**Paul Le Lievre**

*Teacher In Charge Badminton – Year 4 -13*

Email: [paul.LeLievre@pinehurst.school.nz](mailto:paul.LeLievre@pinehurst.school.nz)