Devon Middle School

Badminton Club

Christmas Break Camps

We’ll be holding some badminton camps over the Christmas break for all students who are interested. The focus in these camps will be grip, footwork and overhead hitting stroke for power and control. There will be some game play but be ready to focus on technical drills and working hard. We will be going on December 28th and 29th from 9:30-11:00 for the guys (all grades) and 1:00-2:30 for the girls (all grades). We’ll also be holding camps on January 3rd and 4th if there is interest.

Saturday Morning Club

We will also be playing on some Saturday mornings in the New Year. Check the Athletics calendar regularly to see when we have gym time. We will start with boys (all grades) from 9:00 to 10:15 and girls (all grades) from 10:15 to 11:30. We may move players around if one group is larger than the other to make best use of the gym.

Tournaments

Coach Rod Wetmore (grade 6 boys) will be going to two tournaments in St. John In February and March with various other players from Fredericton badminton clubs. If you are interested in going he can offer coaching and guidance at the tournaments. The tournaments are one day events usually starting at 11:00 in the morning and running until 5:00 in the afternoon. Athletes are responsible for their own travel. The tournament cost is a one time yearly fee of $20.00 to join the provincial badminton association (Badminton New/Nouveau Brunswick - BNNB) and $20.00 to play one event or $30.00 to play 2 events (singles and doubles are the 2 events). You can find out more information on the BNNB website or contact Coach Wetmore for more details.

Contact Information

For any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Butler at the school and watch the Athletics Calendar for the start dates. To check for weather cancellations over the break you can e-mail Coach Wetmore at [evstaples1234@gmail.com](mailto:evstaples1234@gmail.com) or check out the Facebook page for the Ev Staples Badminton Club – we’ll post cancellations there.

Volunteer

Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering to supervise or coach the kids on Saturday mornings. We’d like to share the work among many if possible. No need to have any experience – the kids love to get out and play – we may just need a few gym supervisors. If you are interested in learning a bit about coaching badminton we can offer some help and information as well.