

Thursday 5th February, 2026

Kia ora Parent/Caregivers,

Welcome to a new year of Basketball at Elim Christian College. We are looking forward to continuing to support our students who wish to pursue basketball in 2026 by providing safe, engaging opportunities that nurture fundamental skills and wellbeing.

Please see the opportunities available for Term 1 and into Term 2 below.

Year 3–8 After-School Basketball Coaching Sessions – Term 1, 2026

We are excited to share a new opportunity for students in Years 3–8 to register for an 8-week after-school Basketball Coaching Programme in Term 1, 2026. This programme will be led by an ABS (Auckland Basketball Services) trained coach and supported by Elim Senior Basketball students.

The programme is designed to provide our younger Elim basketballers with a safe, structured, and engaging environment to develop their basketball skills and fundamentals. It also supports the school's commitment to student wellbeing and to providing pathways for students who wish to pursue basketball.

Programme details:

Event: After-School Basketball Coaching – Term 1, 2026

Venue: Golflands Campus Gym

Times:

- Group 1: 3.15 pm – 4.00 pm — Y3/4 Mixed & Y5/6 Girls
- Group 2: 4.00 pm – 4.45 pm — Y5/6 Boys (development) & Y7/8 Girls
- Group 3: 4.45 pm – 5.30 pm — Y5/6 Boys & Y7/8 Boys

(Please note: These groupings may change depending on registration numbers and student skill level as assessed by the Coach.)

Dates: Mondays — 16th, 23rd February; 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th March; and 20th April
(Please note: the final session is on the first Monday of Term 2.)

Cost: \$100 for the full 8-week programme, payable at the time of registration.
(Please note there is an additional \$5 BBNZ Player Development Levy payable to Basketball New Zealand at registration. This is a one-off annual fee that supports key national and regional development initiatives.)

Please bring/wear: Water bottle, suitable footwear and clothing

Supervision: As this programme runs outside school hours, students must be actively supervised by a responsible adult while on school grounds before their session and collected promptly afterward. Coaches are not responsible for supervising students outside of session times. For health and safety reasons, students left unsupervised may be withdrawn from the programme.



Parents/Caregivers are invited to register their child using the ABS online registration form using the link below or scan the QR code on the poster:

[Elim Christian College After-School Sessions Term 1 2026](#)

Underdog Basketball 3x3 Summer Hoops League – Term 1, 2026

We are pleased to share the additional opportunity for students in Years 7–8 to participate in the Underdog Basketball 3x3 Summer Hoops League in Term 1. This programme is player-driven and provides a fun, high-involvement format with more touches of the ball and increased game engagement.

Program details:

Event: 3x3 Underdog Summer Hoops League, Term 1

Venue: Pakuranga College

Dates: Wednesday evenings,

Demo session: 25th February

Competition games: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March, and 1st April 2026

Time: 6:30 pm-8:30 pm

Grades:

- Year 7/8: A Grade, B Grade, Girls Grade
- Year 9/10: Girls Grade
- Mixed teams are welcome in all grades except Girls Grades, which are reserved for all-girls teams.

Cost: TBC - dependent on final team numbers. Boys and mixed teams will be approximately \$50 per player.

Girls-only teams: approx \$25 per player (Girls-only grade is subsidised to support the growth of girls' basketball).

Parents are invited to register their child's interest by **Monday, 9th February**, using the link below.

[3x3 Underdog Summer Hoops League \(Y7/8\) Interest Form](#)

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Ngā mihi nui,

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