

Meriden v Knox Grammar Badminton Invitational

Meriden participated in a friendly badminton competition against Knox Grammar School, with four teams and 17 Meriden students competing throughout the day.

The girls displayed a positive attitude and strong sportsmanship, both on and off the court. They came together as a team, supporting and encouraging one another while showing enthusiasm and determination in every match. Badminton, particularly in doubles play, relies heavily on communication, trust and teamwork, and it was wonderful to see these skills in action throughout the day.

While Knox emerged as the overall winner, more than half of the matches were decided in tightly contested three-set deciders. This created an exciting and competitive atmosphere, highlighting not only the skill development of both teams but also the resilience required to stay focused and composed under pressure, qualities that sport helps students build both on and off the court.

It was particularly encouraging to see the girls' tenacity and resilience across all their matches, including in challenging moments. Their willingness to persevere and continue competing with determination reflects the broader benefits of school sport, which support students' confidence, teamwork and sense of belonging.

Both Knox and Meriden coaches were impressed by the girls' effort, commitment and the strong team spirit displayed throughout the competition. The event also provided a valuable opportunity for students to build connections, meet peers from another school and further develop their skills in a supportive and enjoyable environment.



It was also lovely to have many Meriden parents present, cheering from the sidelines and contributing to the positive atmosphere of the day.

Overall, the event was a pleasure for players, parents and coaches alike, marking a successful first friendly badminton competition between Meriden and Knox Grammar School, and laying the foundation for more to come.

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