# Elim Christian College

### GOLFLANDS CAMPUS NEWSLETTER 20th February 2019



### **Updates from Murray Burton - Principal**

### Kia Ora Everyone

What an amazing start we have had to the 2019 school year. All three campuses have been thriving and have quickly settled into new routines. I pay tribute to all our staff who have worked so hard to ensure to we have had the best start possible. There is always so much to do at the start of another year and especially for us this year, we have seen the commencement of our very first middle years (MY) purpose-built facility.

I extend a special and heartfelt welcome to all our new families. Thank you for choosing our school and we count it an absolute privilege to join with you in growing your child in the coming years.

Golflands (GC) is now our largest campus with over 700 students and what a fantastic atmosphere there. I'm focusing more of my attention at GC currently, particularly as we learn how to do life on that site and I have no doubt it will become the very best example of Y1-10 education in the country. It was great to see so many at our On-line Jungle and Meet the Teacher evening this past Tuesday. I would like to make a few comments regarding traffic to and from that campus:

It's great to see so many using the shuttle service from BC, this eases congestion at GC. Please keep this up all year.

Mornings and afternoons actually have started really well and although busy, I know we can do this well

I am however extremely concerned regarding a few parents and their seeming unwillingness to conform to the law. Some of you are parking illegally, stopping and turning where you shouldn't, compromising safety and traffic flow, and that is so very disappointing - some have been rude to our staff. All of this must stop and we will be asking the Police to ticket as appropriate. We aim to have Montecito Place entry open as soon as we can.



It is simply wonderful to see our Mt Albert Campus (MAC) buzzing with great activities and to see our existing students reaching out and welcoming all the people. Welcome to a special place called MAC. There are two Meet the Teacher evenings this coming week at MAC.

Botany Campus (BC) is discovering day by day what it is to be a senior (Y11-13) site and I sense it will become a real showcase of superb education for young adults. That senior uniform is looking good. We have an allimportant NCEA evening coming up March 7, don't miss it.

Please use our website to check out anything you need to know. Come in and see us, email us and let's talk. We are keen to build relationship in 2019.

# **SCHOOL WIDE NOTICES**

### **ANALYSIS OF 2018 NCEA INTERIM RESULTS**

### **6 SCHOLARSHIPS**

(awarded to top 2-3% of students in NZ): Art Painting; Economics (x2); Calculus; Geography; Statistics

### NCEA LEVEL 3

65% gained UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE (national average: 46%) 78% of our Y13 students gained NCEA Level 3 (national average: 64%) 33% gained L3 endorsed with Merit (national average: 28%) 17% gained L3 endorsed with Excellence (national average: 15%)

### **NCEA LEVEL 2**

84% of our Y12 students gained NCEA Level 2 (national average: 76%)
44% gained L2 endorsed with Merit (national average: 26%)
13% gained L2 endorsed with Excellence (national average: 16%)

### NCEA LEVEL 1

83% of our Y11students gained NCEA Level 1 (national average: 70%)
48% gained L1 endorsed with Merit (national average: 35%)
18% gained L1 endorsed with Excellence (national average: 21%)

### **ACCELERATED STUDENTS IN YEARS 9/10**

We entered 25 Y10 and 2 Y9 students into NCEA LEVEL 1 Mathematics: 4 endorsed with Excellence 14 with endorsed with Merit

### **Spelling and Writing Tutoring**

#### Does your child struggle with confidence in spelling? Do they have difficulty in reading fluently? Is your child a resistant writer?

Gay Jones is an Educational Tutor with over 16 years' experience specializing in Spelling and Reading Intervention.

With her knowledge and passion she carries out successful lessons for each child. The sessions are carried out during the school day with goals to support literacy development.

- 30 minute individual sessions.
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- Reasonable Rates.Fun based learning.
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Contact - Gay Jones

Book and pay for Term 1 and receive a 5% discount.



Mobile: 0275333354 Email: gay.headsuptutoring@gmail.com

# **SCHOOL WIDE NOTICES**

#### Welcome to Elim Netball Club 2019

First of all, welcome to Elim Netball Club for this year. I hope you've all had lovely holiday and a well-deserved rest.

My name is Rita Allerby and I've taken on the role of Club Manager. Here's a few things about me... I'm married, have four daughters and live in Takanini. I played netball when I was younger and have been involved with club netball in South Auckland for over eight years. As part of my involvement, I have been a supportive parent, team manager and coach. Over the last four years, I've been an active committee member for the club.

In 2018, I become involved with Elim netball and have loved the people and atmosphere there. The reason I've taken on the role of Club Manager at Elim is because I love this game! I want to see the girls have a passion for the sport, to improve their skills and to have pride in their achievements throughout the season. I want Elim netball players to be known for their christian character on and off the court, as well as playing a high standard of netball. I'm excited for the season to start and cannot wait to meet you all. Here are a few things that you need to know.

You will be sent a link from our database to re-register on-line for the season. For those of you who are new to the club, registration links can be found on our website www.sporty.co.nz/ elimnetball. This is also where all information throughout the netball season will be posted and includes a link to our Facebook page. Our Facebook page will be updated regularly, so please follow us there. If you are aware of anyone who is keen to play for our club and does not receive our emails, please feel free to forward this letter on to them. If your daughter has decided not to play netball for our club this season, could you please let us know by return email.

Registrations close on Wednesday 20th of February. Invoices will be sent out by the school after this date and will need to be paid by Monday 25th February.

Netball fees for 2019 are: Junior players \$160 College players \$175 Senior players \$195

Please note that netball registration fees are in most cases non-refundable and have to be paid to confirm your daughters place in a team.

Year 5 and 6 junior teams will be placed according to their year group and years 7 and 8 will be placed into teams according to their skill level. College players will be placed into teams according to their performance at trials. Trials will be held on Tuesday 26th of February from 5:30-8pm and Tuesday 5th March from 5.30-8pm in the Gym at Elim Botany Campus. We will have selectors from both inside and outside the club watching the girls play. We do recommend that the girls do some fitness work in the weeks leading up to trials to make sure we can see their full potential. We hope to have a senior team again this year.

We are bringing back the skills afternoons which have proved popular with the junior teams in the past. The girls can learn new skills or touch up on old ones. We are hoping that by including this in the season, it will increase their level of play. These skills afternoons will be held on Tuesday 26th February and Tuesday 5th March at the Golflands Campus from 3:30-5pm.

Our Club Night will be held on Tuesday 12th March at 6:30pm at the Botany Campus Gym. There we will introduce the club committee members and the teams will meet their coaches. This is the night where uniforms for junior players will be issued and there will be an opportunity to purchase/on-sell second hand college uniforms or order new ones. This is an important evening not to be missed. We need everyone in the club to be present as we kick off the 2019 netball season. More news on the Club Night will be sent out closer to the date, as well as advertised on the Facebook page.

All netball practices will be held at the Botany Campus Gym on Tuesdays starting 19th of March. Junior teams will practice between 3.30 – 5.30pm and College teams will practice between 5.30 – 8.30pm. Please note that the first junior team netball practice (19/03/2019) will be at the Golflands Campus between 3.30-5.30pm and thereafter on Tuesdays at the Botany Campus Gym between 3.30-5.30pm.

Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre, which our Netball Club belongs to, is continuing with the weekend grading this year. Junior teams will have three or four grading games over the weekend of the 6th and 7th of April and college/seniors grading games will be on the 13th and 14th of April. Please note that this is the first weekend of the school holidays, so please keep these dates free to be available for grading games. The actual Saturday games will commence on the 4th of May for all players.

We also have an exciting opportunity for coaches this season with Scott Williams (C1 Coach) generously offering his time to assist college coaches in their skills and leadership development. I believe that a club is only as strong as their coaches and to succeed in all future netball, Elim Netball needs to invest more time and effort into their coaches. This enables these coaches to then inspire and equip their players in order to bring out their very best.

This opens up an exciting position for a willing person to assist Scott in the coaching of the College 1 team. If you are an ex-student player or have some experience in netball and would like to work alongside Scott in coaching the top A grade team, please contact me and we will give you more details about this role.

I know that this is a lot of information to take in but please mark these dates in your diaries as they are all important for the season ahead. If you have any questions please contact me and I will be happy to elaborate.

Looking forward to a great season ahead!

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### **Student Celebration**

**Abraham Li,** a Y7 student from our Mt Albert Campus just finished two days of Auckland Champs two weekends ago.

He won 3 gold medals for 1m, 3m and 5m. He placed first in the boys Interage C group in all three events.

He is going to Wellington for the North Island Champs and Perth in April for the Australia age group Championships.

We are very proud of you Abraham, we will be cheering you on for your upcoming events!





## **Student Celebration**

### **Botany Campus Prefects**



### Mt Albert Campus Prefects



# Congratulations to our 2019 Prefects!

Botany: (From Left to Right) Sarah Chang Serina Seo Rebecca Croudace Lindy-Joy Pretorius Sara Blakeley Bridgette Carne Jack Edwards Marcus Widvey Zac Snook Michael Symons Cohen Moodley James Sayarath

### Mt Albert:

(From Left to Right) Matthew Milner Nivetha Thiyagaseelan Nikhil Chauhan Julia Drinkall Olivia Chin Rejoice Falani<u>ko</u>

### Prefects helping out at the Dessert Evening



### **CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES**



#### **PRIMARY YEARS 5-9**

Elim Christian College Golflands Campus 94 Golflands Drive

Wednesday Evening 20 February - 27 March Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

> Contact Robyn Powell robynpowell@xtra.co.nz Mobile 021 229 8129

Cost \$75.00 per single or \$110.00 per couple Please note that subsidies are available. Speak to the course contact person about this

Need a subsidy? Just ask.

#### What to expect

#### 6 sessions per course. Run in small groups by a trained facilitator. Fun, practical and inspirational.

The importance of love and connection. Different parenting styles. Understanding your child and their big feelings. Discipline and boundaries. Play, and lots more!

Topics include

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> Parenting Place

### **ARISE PM**

We offer a wonderful after school care programme based in the Golflands Campus Hall. We are now taking enrolments for the first term of 2019 and would love to have your children along with us. Please enquire with our ARISE Director Mr Shane Froud, he would be happy to give you more information.

He can be found in the school hall at 3pm or alternatively on email at arisepm@elim.school.nz"

### **CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES**

**Reading Hub Leaders (Y7-10)** 



Back L-R Regan Ong, Natalie Beach, Chloe Hurst, Toby Scott, Baylee Travis, Charlotte Price, Asher Stonehouse Middle L-R: Kaelin Jackson, Janessa Chalmer, Caitie Jackson, Grace Wagener, Emily Wood, Hannah Cave, Kacy Kretschmar, Jesse Loubser Middle L-R: Sienna Denis, Hansika Anumolu, Alayna Finlay, Nicole Jackson, Elizabeth Monthe, Olivia Wypch, Abigail Neuuman, Front L-R: Annaliah Palmer, Holly van Leeuwen

The Reading Hubs of GCMY (our distributed libraries) have been works in progress and will be ready to be unveiled to our staff and students by Week 4 at the latest. If you are a parent or caregiver who would like to be involved in some way with covering and barcoding material, please email Mrs. Randall, the school's Information Research Enabler, at rachel.randall@elim.school.nz I would love to meet you and chat about how you can help us out!

