# Elim Christian College

### MT ALBERT CAMPUS NEWSLETTER 8th May 2019



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

#### Kia Ora everybody

Term 2 is well underway and already we have much to celebrate. The weather has been great and everybody has returned to school with enthusiasm, refreshed and ready for the ongoing learning journey.

There are a number of property improvements always happening. A new sound system for the MAC hall is almost finished. Plumbing repairs continue on Rahiri House and the Golflands construction project - 'grounds completion' is well under way.

Carol Pottow and I have recently been in China and had some amazing meetings with parents keen to explore education at Elim Christian College. Elim Education is highly respected amongst the parents we meet in Chengdu, Beijing, Tangshan, Xuxhou and Shenzhen.

I strongly encourage Y11-13 students and their parents to plan meticulously and actively engage in their learning journey this term. Whilst every term is mission critical for every student in our school, terms 2 and 3 need to be captured for maximum learning growth. NCEA Internals need to be mapped out and commitments re-examined. Time really is of the essence. Some students every year get to Term 4 and have real regrets that the year slipped away on them.



I want to signal that a number of students have uniform irregularities. Some of the uniform items we are seeing are not the correct product and therefore not permitted according to our handbook made available to all parents. We have a great uniform and we need consistency across the school.

I first of all urge of our student leaders to ensure their uniform is correct as you are the role models. Parents please take a moment to check what your child is wearing, ensure it is the correct item and not some replacement of the same colour from any shop. Staff will be checking the uniform often.

Great to see classes at MAC heading to camp this week and on the annual Marae visit.

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# Foster Care Information Evening

# Is there room in your heart and home for one more?

EAST AUCKLAND EVEN

MAY 23<sup>rd</sup> | THURSDAY | 7:00pm - 8.30pm

Elim Christian Centre, 159 Botany Rd, Botany

To register, please contact Natalie Walker: e: Natalie.Walker@ohf.org.nz p: 09 634 2057 or register on our Facebook page

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## **Student Celebration**



Tayla Trebilco, a year 9 student from Mt Albert has participated in the Central Island Champs for tumbling and gymnastics in Gisborne. She took out first place in the 13-14 year old group and with her scores qualified for National Champs, this means she will get to represent Auckland later this year! Tayla, you are awesome. We are excited to see how the National Champs go!

### **Student Celebration**



Abraham Li, from our Mt Albert Campus attended the 4 day Australian Age Group Championships in Perth. He has achieved awesome results competing with top divers from six states in Australia. He placed 1st for boys 13 under 1m springboard, 2nd for boys 13 under 3m springboard and 2nd for 5m platform. He also placed 3rd for 13 under mixed snycro with Amelia. He is the overall winner for boys 13 under among all the divers from both NZ and Australia.

This was Abraham's first international competition representing Diving NZ. He received the most trophies among the whole junior DNZ team.

Prior to our trip Australia, Abraham also attended 2019 DNZ National Open & Junior Elite Championships and came away with 4 gold medals. He placed first for all boys 13 under event, 1m, 3m and 5m. He also placed first for syncro 13 under event.

Abraham, you have a bright future!

### **CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES**

#### **Tanzania Boot Camp Report**

The team had a great weekend at Rahiri preparing for the 2019 mission. We had plenty of time for prayer, worship, devotions, fun, friendship and service.

Specialist trainers Joshua and Sarah Scott came in and helped the team come to grips with Drama, Dance and Swahili while Mrs Abrahams and Mr Scott ensured we were all fed.

Friday night saw us at St Lukes Food court before we headed to Kmart to select some resources to take with us to Tanzania for some tabloid sports.

Saturday saw us attack some cleaning projects around Rahiri with some much needed attention given to toilets on the ground floor and 1st floor and the kitchen area.

Along with the general team training there was also some training around culture and how we can be appropriate representatives of the school in Tanzania.

Mr Scott played the role of the Patriarch of the family perhaps too well as students were not sure whether to sit or stand and whether or not it was safe to eat or drink!

We enjoyed time with God too with some great devotions. 9 weeks to Tanzania!



#### **CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES**

Room 10, our awesome year 5 & 6's in Mrs Hall's Class have created some pretty spectualar art work! These are their very own avatars that they have created from recycling a cereal box.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Friday 10th May

MOTHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY 2.10pm in the hall, all mothers and speacial ladies very welcome!

Wednesday 15th May

Y 9 WISE MOVES PROGRAMME AT BOTANY CAMPUS Students will be tranported to the Botany Campus leaving at 8.30am from Mt Albert