

Elim Christian College

NEWSLETTER

26 October 2018

From the Principal

Kia Ora everyone

As with any one of our four terms, this term has many aims. First and foremost it is about the A of ARISE.... achievement. No matter what their age level we do want all students to be successful, to achieve all that they have set out to achieve, above and beyond. There will be pressure and stress but with careful and consistent application all students should end the year well.

Now that we are getting more and more access to our new facilities we are doing our best to arrange parent, staff and eventually student tours. Only now is our leadership team taking in the opportunities these amazing new facilities provide and it is going to be incredible. Work continues to finish the site and we are praying there are no holdups.

The key ingredient for Achievement is having great staff. Our core team remains the same for 2019 but there will be a few changes and we will inform you regarding these later this term.

I appreciate the faith being shown in us by parents, to be able to continue our delivery of quality educational opportunities in Y7-10 although on a different campus and in different spaces! From time to time we hear opinions and for the most part they lack accuracy. For the record -the following is true:

- yes having a middle years facility does change a few things
- yes we have reviewed this year and we are continuing to learn from this
- yes our core staffing team is strong and as we have always delivered well at this level- we will continue to do so
- yes with new spaces we understand it can bring anxiety - but we can make it work
- yes there will be many more students at GC but we are working on management plans for this
- yes we will have an amazing technology block and we are working on plans of how to gradually maximise its impact ... it won't all happen at once
- yes we have firmly in our heads and hearts what a good Y10 graduate will attain - the rigour along with the creativity will be there
- yes we want parents to know that having the opportunity to have primary and secondary trained teachers working together as one team is dynamic and the best thing for great learning to occur - so many barriers are removed and our students will win
- I hope to see parents who will have children in the middle years

Nappies for Glen Innes -The Nappies Deal

We are partnering with Steve Farrelly an amazing guy who brings hope where it is most needed. It would be so good if every family could buy at least one packet of nappies and bring them into [any](#) of our campuses.

Sometimes at Christmas the basics don't get looked after. Steve will make sure these nappies get to where they are most needed and you will have brought a blessing to people in our city who are in need!

Look for the nappies for Glen Innes box in the office foyer at BC GC and MAC.



Mr Murray Burton MNZM
PRINCIPAL

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely of Mr Murray Burton MNZM, written over a white background.



Hutchinson Family in Nepal

It is my absolute privilege to announce to our school community that Mr Shane Hutchinson will be taking a leave of absence from his position at Elim Christian College to spend a year in Nepal. Shane, his wife Jen and their three children, Joshua, Daniel and Hope will serve with INF – International Nepal Fellowship in Pokhara, Nepal.

Shane has taught at Elim in the primary area for the past 11 years. Jen trained as a nurse, currently teaches antenatal classes and has a passion for working with women.

Shane and Jen (and their three children) are committed to go to Pokhara for one year, starting at the beginning of 2019. Shane will teach at the Pokhara Study Centre while Jen will help the family adjust to life in Nepal. INF has many expat mission partners and national workers serving in Nepal. They provide both medical and emergency healthcare (Doctors, audiologists), and community development in Pokhara, and the surrounding villages.

Quality education at the study centre is essential for their children as it enables these mission partners and their families to be able to continue to serve with INF in Nepal, knowing that their children are receiving a world class education. Mr Hutchinson is certainly a world class teacher and we are so proud that he is following this call in faith, to serve the kingdom of God.

As a school we know that we will use the opportunity to connect our students to Nepal with frequent class Skype calls to see how the family are doing.

Many of our school families have a passion for missions and if you would like to keep in contact with the Hutchinson over the next year, please like and follow their pages to stay in touch, see updates, stories and photos.

Facebook: The Hutchies in Nepal

Instagram: thehutchiesinnepal

The Hutchinson family is currently looking for families who would commit to prayer and or financial support for the next year. If you are willing to partner with them, please contact Shane and Jen via the details above.

LEAVERS

Students Leaving: Year 1 – 12

If your child/children are not returning to Elim Christian College in 2019, please request and complete a Student Leaving Form from enrolments@elim.school.nz.

This helps us be able to interview a replacement for the 2019 school year.



Term 1	7 February - 13 April
Term 2	30 April - 6 July
Term 3	23 July - 28 September
Term 4	15 October - 18 December

During the October school holidays Duncan Ramsey (Year 7), competed at the Gymnastic New Zealand National Championships held in Tauranga. He competed in the Men's Artistic discipline in MAG level 4, placing 3rd in NZ for his level. Huge congratulations Duncan. This is an amazing achievement!

He has also been selected to trial for the NZ 360 Squad which prepares athletes for trans-tasman, international competitions and the Commonwealth Games. Well done Duncan. This is very exciting news. We wish you all the very best and look forward to hearing more.





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Y9 & 10 Market Day

TEXT BOOK RETURNS

This year, in regards to textbook returns, we would like students to remember to bring the following to their exams:

- your **school textbook** for that exam subject
- your stationery in a clear plastic bag
- your exam slip

Please return textbooks in **Room 8**. A trolley outside Room 8 will be made available if the room is in use. From 9am and from 2pm each day during the exam period, Mrs. Randall or another staff member will be hovering around the examination area to wish you well for your exam, and remind you to return your textbooks.

If you have any questions or concerns, such as if you have misplaced your textbook or would like to return it before you go on exam leave, please email Mrs. Randall at rachel.randall@elim.school.nz.



Top-up your NCEA credits

Study online with Te Kura Summer School



"The teachers were so supportive and dedicated to helping me reach my goals. Summer School at Te Kura was by far the best decision I ever made."
– Summer School student.

"It was daunting at first because I had been out of school for a long time. My teacher was amazing at keeping me on track" – Summer School student.

Don't let a few NCEA credits stop you from going on to further study, training, or employment in 2019.

Te Kura (The Correspondence School) accepts short-term enrolments over the summer break for students to earn additional credits or specific internal standards in NCEA.

Courses are delivered online so, with access to a computer and the internet, you can learn anywhere and anytime. The standards and subjects offered can be viewed on our website shortly before enrolments open on 26 November – please note these may be subject to change.

Te Kura's qualified teachers are available online to answer questions and assess students' work.



Freephone: 0800 65 99 88
www.tekura.school.nz/summerschool

Key Dates

- 26 November: Enrolments open
- 17 December: Summer School starts
- 5 February: Enrolments close
- 12 February: Students must have final work submitted for the credits achieved to be counted towards their 2018 Record of Achievement
- 22 February: Summer School closes

To Enrol

To enrol with Te Kura for free you must be:

- aged 16 to 19*
- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident living in New Zealand
- not enrolled full-time at any other school.

(*Students turning 20 years or older in 2019 will be charged an administration fee)



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Our ARISE parents, staff and students at
ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE GOLFLANDS CAMPUS
invite you to a



HAPPY GRANDPARENTS' DAY



Friday, 2nd November

**Celebrating our grandparents / special person
and thanking them for all that they do for us!**

Students,
please bring
a plate if
you have
invited your
grandparent(s) or
someone special

Assembly in hall

9am

Classroom Visits

9.45am

Morning Tea in the Hall

10.00 - 10.30am

 **Elim Christian College**



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MAC Samoa Trip

“Life changing event”, Kareena said, “she experienced something new each day and the life Samoans live impacted her immensely.”

Samoa was a peaceful and wonderful place to visit in our school holidays. Our team of 11 students from MAC Year 7&8, slept in falea and lived in a small village. They experienced every day culture which included: making coconut cream, helping making umu lunch, weaving plates, being welcomed at an ava ceremony, socialising with the locals in a children’s programme we ran for two afternoons, planting trees in the forest for an Enviro Programme, swimming and washing in the river and eating and drinking a variety of local foods. They loved swimming, snorkeling, outrigger canoe riding and jumping off waterfalls. We visited three local schools, providing much needed literacy and math resources and sports equipment which we had taken from NZ. The schools were so appreciative of our gifts and we loved spending time in their classrooms. We visited two churches and did items for them. We loved their energy and lively worship. Our final Fia Fia night was a highlight with many items and dancing.

Our time in Apia for two days, was spent visiting Robert Louis Stephenson House, a local soap factory and a local school we have had a lot to do with over the years. Overall we had a wonderful time and have made some fabulous friends for a lifetime.

By Ruth Scott



Sports Camp

This was our first Sports Camp and we combined with Jireh Christian School to make a team. The weather was cold and windy but we participated with joy and enthusiasm. This experience meant everyone had to work as a team and learn to support and encourage each other as the competition unfolded. The sports we won were: Indoor Bowls, Petanque, Human Foosball, Archery, Chess, Croquet and Girls Table Tennis. We also were runners up in the Kayaking.

“Sports Camp was an opportunity to try lots of sports we hadn’t played before and it was a great experience”, said Charlotte.

Our delight was in winning the Sportsmanship Cup voted by all the schools attending and also the Quality Living Cup based on the Daily Devotionals we had with Kim Beale.

We can’t wait for next year now.

By Ruth Scott



Today's MAC fun – Abi and Toms bubble soccer fundraiser.

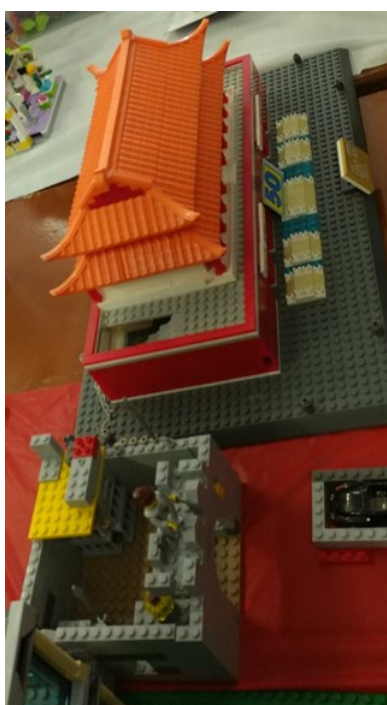
TERM 4 SCHOOL HATS: All Year 0-6 must wear a regulation uniform sun hat outside. Any student not wearing a hat must stay under the shade of the verandah.

Students in Years 7-10 are encouraged to wear a regulation uniform black cap. These can be purchased from John Russell Menswear www.johnrussellmenswear.co.nz at a cost of \$15.

NON RETURNING YEAR 13 STUDENTS FOR 2019: Students have been issued with a Student Leaving Form which needs to be completed, signed by a parent/caregiver and returned to the school office no later than Tuesday 30th October for processing.

OTHER NON RETURNING STUDENTS 2019: If your child is not returning to Elim Christian College next year he/she will need to collect a Student Leaving form from the school office for parents/caregivers to complete and return the form to school as soon as possible please.

SCHOOL BACK GATE: Parents & caregivers - please do not use the back gate entrance to drop off/pickup students. This entrance is for staff use only. We had a near miss last week with a parent and child walking through the gates and almost being hit by a car driving quite fast out the gate. Your cooperation with this matter would be appreciated. Please also avoid parking in front of the school gate at the back entrance as this makes visibility very difficult for staff leaving the school grounds at 3.00pm.



‘LetsGoLego’ at MAC



On the last Thursday of Term 3 our Junior School held their first ever Lego competition and display day in the Hall at our Mt Albert Campus. All the students from our 3 Junior classes as well as students from Middle School were invited to take part.

We ran two competitions. Each child was asked to construct their own LEGO structure or figure at home which they were then able to enter into the ‘Best Individual LEGO Model’ competition.

Then in class, the children were encouraged to work together with a partner or in groups to create another awesome Lego structure or figure, which they then entered into the ‘Best Classroom LEGO Model’ competition.

As well as this, each class was asked to design their own Lego Classroom Door Display. Some of these were very creative indeed. All the Lego models were displayed in the Hall where both parents and students were invited to come along to have a look and then to vote for their favourite exhibits.

Congratulations to Alisha David who won the Most Favourite Overall Lego Award as well as the Most Creative and Innovative Lego Award. Ashley Teong won the Most Eye Catching Award with her Lego display. Best Lego Junior Individual Award went to Noah Sutich and Best Lego Middle School Individual Award went to Liam Butler. Room 8 took out the Best Junior Class Lego Award and Room 12 won the Best Middle School Award with their amazing robots. The classroom doors were hotly contested and our wonderful Mrs Ha found it incredibly difficult to choose a winner. In the end she gave the Door with the Most Student Input to Room 8 and the Most Creative Classroom Door to Room 8.