# Elim Christian College NEWSLETTER

### **From the Principal**

#### **BOT Agrees Sports Strategic Plan**

Our Board of Trustees recently agreed our inaugural Strategic Plan for Sport for 2018 - 2021. This has been prepared by our Sports Department in conjunction with the Counties Manukau College Sports team.

The BOT see this as an exciting development as we seek to see our sports programmes and effectiveness continue to improve, both in terms of participation numbers and our competitiveness.

#### 21 August 2018



Mr Murray Burton MNZM PRINCIPAL

#### Some key aspects of the Strategic Plan are:

- Increasing the range of sports and sporting opportunities available to students at ELIM both through internal and external sporting events.
- Seeing growth in the numbers of students regularly participating in sport and activity.
- Continue to improve our communication around sport through the implementation of ECCO and increased coverage in the newsletter and website.
- Employing a more targeted approach to enhance the performance of our key competitive sports and sportspeople. This includes being strategic in identifying sports at which we can excel and ensuring more personalised support for our talented sporting students and teams.
- Design a programme that incorporates our special Christian Character into our sporting activity, enabling our students to excel as a Christian both in their sport and life, long-term.
- Seek to employ a full-time Sports Director who will oversee development of school wide sport and enable more planning, focus and growth across the entire school from Year 1 to 13.

We have been witnessing a continual growth in our sports performance over the past few years and are striving to see this enhanced further. Our aim is that this strategic plan, alongside our wonderful new facilities, will lift us to a new level in sport, providing more opportunity for all our students.



Term 1
Monday 4 February – Friday 12 April
Term 2
Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July
Term 3
Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September
Term 4
Monday 14 October – Wednesday 11 December (Final day TBC)



## **BOTANY CAMPUS**

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### Elim Christian College SENIOR EXAMINATIONS TIMETABLE – AUGUST 2018

		LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Monday 27 August	9am – 12pm	History	Mathematics	Calculus
	1pm – 4pm	Economics	Chemistry	English
Tuesday 28 August	9am – 12pm	Science	Geography	Biology
	1pm - 4pm	Accounting	Economics / Chinese	Economics / Chinese
Wednesday 29 August	9am – 12pm	Geography	English	Statistics
	1pm – 4pm	Music	Accounting	Geography
Thursday 30 August	9am – 12pm	English	Biology	History
	1pm – 4pm	Chinese	History	Physics
Friday 31 August	9am – 12pm	Mathematics	Physics	Chemistry / Music
	1pm – 4pm		Music	Accounting
Tuesday 18 September	9am – 10am	MCAT - AS91027		

Y11-13 students only attend school for examination sessions Morning examinations: 9am – 12pm \* Afternoon examinations: 1pm – 4pm \*

\* unless stated otherwise

Some SAC student sessions to be confirmed

As per NZQA examination rules, please note the following for all candidates:

- Arrive at least 20 minutes before the start of each exam.
- All school bags to be placed outside the classroom.
- Water bottles only no other food or drink permitted in the exam.
- Mobile Phones must be turned off and handed to the supervisor or placed in an emergency evacuation pack under the candidate's chair during the exam.
- Watches to be removed and handed to the supervisor or placed in an emergency evacuation pack under the candidate's chair during the exam.
- Pens, pencils & exam equipment to be brought in a clear pencil case or plastic bag.
- Absolutely <u>NO</u> talking from the moment the students enter the room until the LAST paper is collected.
- No one may leave during the first 45 minutes or the last 15 minutes.
- No twink/correction tape to be used on exam papers.
- Calculators to have memory cleared before entering the examination room.

Congratulations Baylin Klein Ovink for placing second in the U18 girls Secondary schools surf competition at Manu Bay, Raglan. Well done to the other competitors Isaac Klein Ovink, Ben Mack and Douglas Bagg for positively representing our school in the event.







Recently we had the privilege of hosting 10 student musicians from Niulanshan Experiental Middle School in Beijing.

We arranged concerts for them at local schools and at our own annual Cultural Evening. They even found time to join one of our music classes.



# **GOLFLANDS CAMPUS**

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### **Golflands Campus HPPA Cross Country**

We had an outstanding day of racing and even topped our results from last year. We still couldn't quite grab the overall trophy but must have been very close. I was very proud of how the team supported one another and the effort they gave. The determination to do well was very evident.

Key Results:

#### Individual certificate results:

2nd Year 4 Girls:	Rachel Wagener (we had 5 in the top 10		
	in this race)		
1st Year 4 Boys:	Jack Kotze		
3rd Year 4 Boys:	Helgard Groenewald (Helgard is a Year 3		
	student)		
2nd Year 5 Girls:	Nevaeh Naeff		
1st Year 5 Boys:	Samuel Rickerby		
1st Year 6 Boys:	Caleb Wagener		

#### Team Certificates: 2nd Year 4 Girls 3rd Year 4 Boys 3rd Year 5 Girls

2nd Year 5 Boys 3rd Year 6 Boys



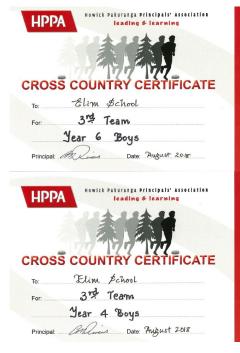
Proud grand mother, Jean Fearn, with Samuel Rickerby, celebrating his win at the school competition

We had many others with top 5 and top 10 finishes.

### Overall placing of school in the competition: 2nd







#### Golflands Camps Pasifika group at the Botany campus Cultural Evening



#### Change in lunch-eating time at Golflands Campus here to stay

Play first, then eat, then learn . At the beginning of the term, the Golflands Campus trialed a new arrangement for lunch times:

Students now go straight to play when the 12 noon bell goes and then have their lunch at 12.30pm. Usually, there is just over an hour between morning tea and lunch; with this arrangement, the period extends between meals to 1 ½ hours. The aim is to provide maximum play time, followed by a time to focus on eating in a calm, settled way.

We asked staff and students for feedback on the new arrangement after one week of trialing it. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Via a Google Form, we then asked our parents for their feedback and whether they had noticed any changes. This feedback too was largely positive. Some of the responses are listed below:

He liked it because he said he was more hungry when it came time to eat; it was a good chance for him to settle down in a quieter environment before class started.

My daughter said she's very hungry after playing that's why she finished all her food in her lunch box.

She thought this was a great idea as she often rushes her lunch to play!

Play first and then eat was great for my child for the trial week. We found that my child can eat all the things in the lunch box. Never happened before.

The lunchbox was empty, normally the response was, 'I didn't have time to eat it all."

Based on the feedback received from students, staff and parents, the new arrangement for lunchtimes has now been fully adopted by Golflands Campus.



Our school uniform is an expression of our pride in ourselves as a school. We therefore expect all students to be in correct uniform. Your support would be appreciated in ensuring that your child is sent to school correctly dressed.

At the Golflands Campus, we have noticed slight variations to our uniform, especially with regard to the trackpants (available at John Russell Menswear) and shoes.

In order to deter various interpretations around our uniform, the letter below will now be emailed to parents, highlighting areas in your child's uniform that needs attending to.

Please help us maintain uniform consistency campus-wide by attending to what has been identified as soon as you possibly can.



#### Dear Parents/ Caregivers / Whanau

#### Uniform Expectations at Elim Christian College: Golflands Campus

Our school uniform is an expression of our pride in ourselves as a school. It is an important part of our school's identity and reinforces who we are as a community. We therefore expect all students to be in correct uniform. Parental support would appreciated in ensuring that your child is sent to school correctly dressed.

To support our parents being mindful of what the uniform expectations are, the details for the school uniform can be found on the school website, and more specifically in the Student Handbooks. http://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018-Elim-Christian-College-Handbook-updated-5.pdf

In recent times, we have noticed that students have been wearing sports-style shoes, soft and made of fabric, canvas pumps etc. These are not appropriate for school. School shoes need to be polishable. In order to deter various interpretations around footwear, there are images of appropriate footwear in our Student Handbooks.

We really appreciate your support. If you have any queries, please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher.

Yours sincerely

Ms Neetha Mudhan and Ms Angela Rees Assistant Campus Leads





# MT ALBERT CAMPUS

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Sensory play is important for all children. From the very first day they are born, children are designed to explore the world around them.

The junior levels created 3 sensory tables for our young explorers to play at during morning tea and lunch time.

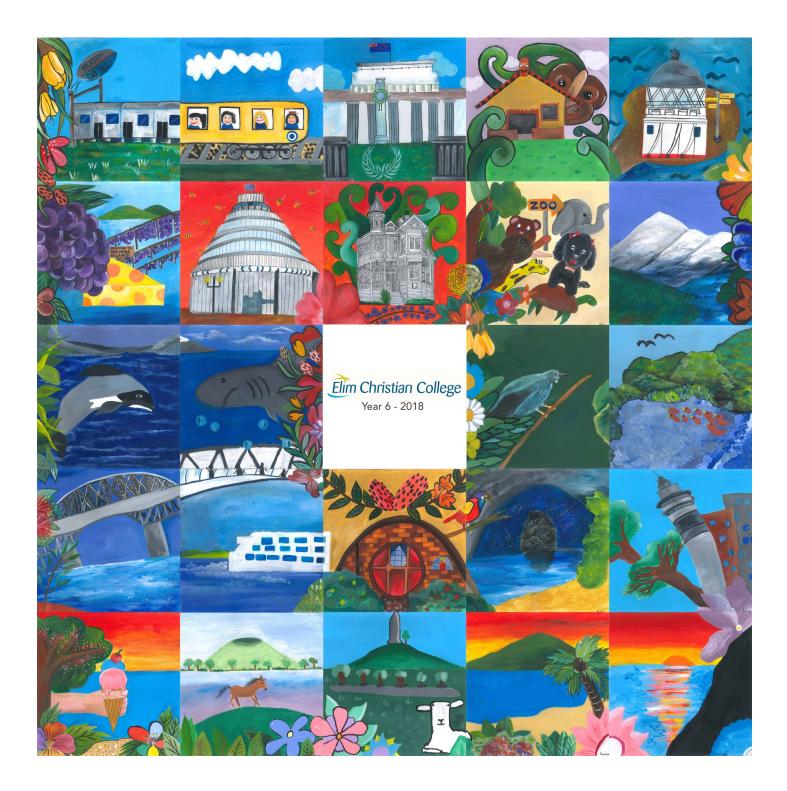
We have a water play area, a sand and rice play table and an area full of interesting materials from the environment for students to look at, touch, and smell.

We are excited to introduce more play based learning into our classrooms and know that our young students learning will be enriched.

We also anticipate that there will be more outdoor fun and exploration activities for our juniors in the weeks to come.

Junior Department – MAC











The Cleansing Stream Seminar is an 8-12 week series of classes which prepare and disciple participants to receive healing and be set free from the past. The classes culminate in a one day Freedom Day. Cleansing Stream is about finding freedom for your journey. Wherever you are on your Christian journey, the course can help you live your life in Christ to the fullest.

Every second Tuesday from 25 September - 20 November. 7:30-9pm. At Elim Botany, Room 18. Freedom day is on 17 November. \$105 (includes a study guide and Freedom Day costs).

> Contact the church office on 09 538 0360 or the Information Area on Sundays.







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Wednesday Evening 17th October - 21st November Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

> Contact Robyn Powell robyn.powell@elim.school.nz Mobile 021 229 8129

Cost

Need a subsidy? Just ask.

What to expect 6 sessions per course. Run in small groups by a trained facilitator. Fun, practical and inspirational. Topics include

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

#### BUILD A GREAT FAMILY TEAM AND HAVE FUN ALONG THE WAY

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