# Elim Christian College NEWSLETTER

### From the Principal

Kia Ora everyone

**School Life:** Welcome to Spring! School activities continue at a frenetic pace. I seem to daily hear about outstanding results from all age groups. I also hear and participate in stunning community activities put on by our campuses. Well done everyone.

Thank you to the parents at our Mt Albert Campus who hosted myself and our Board Chairman Mr Chris Bethwaite for a cottage meeting this week. The Golflands Campus Fathers' Breakfast was phenomenal and is now such a wonderful tradition at our school. It's also the season of Cross Country and with our school and interschool events happening.

#### 3 September 2018



Mr Murray Burton MNZM PRINCIPAL

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Over the first seven weeks of this term we have hosted many students from overseas and I wish to thank so many parents for hosting, our International Department for organising, staff for teaching and our students for being the best buddies ever. Of particular note, I wish to congratulate MAC for holding an amazing powhiri for each of our international groups. Thank you Mrs Sellar for your leadership.

**Growing:** We have been holding 'Expression of Interest' Tours at GC and MAC all year and we've now held open days at all three campuses. Our LifeFM promotion has come to an end but we continue to promote enrolments for our Mt Albert Campus. We are currently conducting enrolment interviews to fill spaces we have available for 2019.

**Requirements**: We have a renewed emphasis on (1) wearing the right uniform (2) clearing lost property (3) fixing lateness to school and (4) clear the grounds by 3.30pm. Thank you parents in anticipation that for all of these areas we will see a continued improvement. Well done Mt Albert Campus for helping us to clear the grounds so well by 3.30pm on a daily basis. This now has to be become the norm at Golflands Campus.

With our ARISE PM operating, staff attending meetings and doing preparation, we have a health and safety situation at Golflands Campus. From Monday 10 September Golflands Campus grounds must now be cleared by 3.30pm. We value you help with this requirement.



#### 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)



(I)(A) Elim Christian College Y1-13

#### **Teaching Vacancies Expressions of Interest Y0-13 Teachers**

Providing a strong foundation of Christian values and character. You must be innovative, future-focused, a strong practitioner, able to demonstrate a personal commitment to our special character, along with an active involvement in co-curricular programmes. Expressions of interest are sought from NZ registered teachers to join us in Term 1, 2019. BTs welcome.

Several permanent fulltime roles are available across, primary, middle and senior years at our Botany and Mt Albert Campuses. Applicants must state year level preference and if secondary, their subject specialty and accompanying subjects.

Expression of interest applications close on 21<sup>st</sup> September. For all confidential enquiries and an application pack, please email: Raewyn Openshaw, Principal's PA – Raewyn Openshaw@elim.school.nz



## **BOTANY CAMPUS**

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Auckland

#### **Year 8 Mathex Competition**

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August our Year 8 Mathex team (Ethan Stonehouse, Leo Lai, Lydia Jackson, and Dominic Anslow) competed against 133 teams across Auckland in the annual Mathex competition. They had to solve 20 challenging problem solving questions within half an hour. Our team were one of only 15 teams to answer 100% of the questions correctly. This is the first time in Elim history and we are very proud of these hardworking students!





#### INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGY OLYMPIAD COMPETITION

Elim Christian College has four students, three Y12's and Verity Ding from Year 11 (International Student) who have **made it through the second round of the International Biology Olympiad competition.** This is a huge achievement, and as far as I'm aware the first time we have had so many students reach the Bronze level.

These students will begin rigorous work for the next stage in the competition – this involves competing for places in the summer training camp, thereafter the international team will be selected.

All students had been working hard prior to their entrance exam, giving up lunch times to work through past papers, looking through textbooks weighing 2 kg and putting in a lot of work at home too.

I'm looking forward to seeing them progress through the next stage of this exciting journey!

(Mrs Kareena Martis)



## **GOLFLANDS CAMPUS**

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Auckland

#### NIWA South and East Auckland Science and Technology Fair 2018

This year Elim Christian College entered six Year 7, six Year 8 and two Year 6 Science and Technology projects into the the NIWA South and East Auckland Science and Technology Fair. This was the first year that Year 6 students had been invited to take part in this prestigious competition. I am please to announce that we had three winners:

- Year 6, Caleb Wagener won first prize in the Year 6 category with his project: Aussies put to the test.
- Year 7, Noah Milne was highly commended in the Y7-8 Physical and Material World category with his project: **Battle of the Paper Planes**
- Year 8, Jesse Loubser won second place in the Y7-8 Consumer Science category with her project: The True Blue Dye-Lemma.

It was my pleasure to support these students as they developed their science capabilities through the Nature of Science strand of the Science curriculum: Understanding about Science, Investigating in Science, Communicating in Science and Participating in and Contributing to Science.

Angela Rees

Y7-8 Science Teacher







## MT ALBERT CAMPUS

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Year 6 participating in our "Garden to table" programme. They prepared vegetables, some of which are form the school garden, and made soup. Vege scraps go into our compost or worm farm.



"Spring arrives at our Mt Albert Campus"

















## Elim Christian College

## Mt Albert Campus Book Fair

Dates: Friday 21st September to Thursday 27th September

Competitions

**Prizes** 

Stories

**Books** 

The Cupcake Challenge

Make Bookmarks

Reading Challenges

Games

Character Parade

More information will be available soon on the OPAC

http://nz.accessit.online/ELM00/#!landinaPaae

Login as Guest MtAlbert

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#### If you have a teenage son or daughter this event is for you!

JH Aotearoa is an Adventure Experience specifically designed to strengthen the Parent/Child relationship during the critical years as teenagers transition from childhood to adulthood.

During a time of fun, adventure and challenge together, issues facing teenagers and their parents are addressed from a biblical perspective and family relationships and relationships with God are deepened and strengthened. The programme covers such topics as Discovering Your Life Purpose, Digital Technology in today's world, Family Values, Relationships and Dating, Personal Standards, all underpinned by an emphasis on loving others and loving God.

> If you would like to know more about this, or to register to attend - go to www.jh.org.nz If you would like to apply for a scholarship please register as soon as possible!



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