Elim Christian College NEWSLETTER

From the Principal

Kia Ora everyone

Thanks for a great Term 2. There have been challenges, highlights, breakthroughs and so many things to truly celebrate. Thanks for all your support.

The following brief is the first of a number designed to provide some insight into the development of our 'Middle Years' programme and facilities.

The Y7-Y10 years is a unique time of transition, maturation and development for students as they move from primary years towards high school and beyond. These are also exciting years

navigating both challenges and opportunities. At Elim we want to be good stewards of our resources, our staff, our special character, as we marshall these important ingredients towards the adolescence years. Although it can be a confusing and awkward time for students, we count it a privilege to activate learning and provide guidance as students discover more of who they are and who they want to be.

They say it's best to 'begin with the end in mind'. Hence, we are currently refining our picture of a Y10 graduate. We want them to:

- Have an understanding of who God is both with their head and their heart. Our hope is that they have a personal relationship with their creator that is real, alive and flourishing.
- Have been rigorously prepared for the NCEA years not only with curriculum knowledge but with a disposition to serve, to self-manage with superb study habits and to relate well to a wide age group with an excellent attitude.
- Have developed their own passion for learning and are participating in areas of our school that connect with this passion, e.g. Performing & Expressive Arts, Technology, Sport, Drama, Makerspace Club, Outdoor Activities etc... understanding that learning has depth, breadth, formality, surprise and can take place in the absence of credits or marks.
- Have developed the ability to work collaboratively with a variety of people and situations by actively contributing to and participating in group tasks and discussions and enabling others to do the same. Specifically recognising strengths in others that complement their own strengths.

In subsequent updates, we will talk about Tutor teachers, academic mentoring, pastoral care, timetable, the programme and more.

Nga mihi Regards

Murray



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5 July 2018



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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Term 2 Sports

AAIMS Interzone Orienteering

On the 15th of May Jack Dransfield and Grace Wagener competed in the Interzone Orienteering Championships after qualifying from our South Eastern Zone competition at Lloyd Elsmore. This was held in Patumahoe at Reeves Farm. Well done guys.



Auckland Secondary Schools Orienteering Finals

Jack and Grace along with Tyler Wolsky also qualified from the weekly sprint series competition and competed in the Auckland Secondary Schools Orienteering Finals. This was based at two locations, where they had to complete both events. The AM event was held at Macleans College, and the PM event was held at Unitec. Well done guys!

Auckland Christian Schools Netball Tournament

On the 16th May we took 8 teams over to the Barfoot and Thompson Netball Centre in Takapuna to compete in the annual Auckland Christian School Netball Tournament.

Representing Elim Christian College we had:

1 x Year 5 Team 1 x Year 6 Team 2 x Year 7 Teams 2 x Year 8 Teams 2 x Year 9 Teams

The students had a great day out and showed excellent sportsmanship both on and off the courts. A big thank you to the parents and coaches who helped out and our senior students who umpired our teams. Without you we couldn't have made it happen!

We came away with some great results. Year 6 Team placing 3rd Year 7B Team placing 3rd Year 7A Team placing 2nd Year 8B Team placing 1st

Year 9A Team placing 2nd

Year 8 B Team placing 3rd



South Eastern Zone Year 7 and Year 8 Football Tournaments

In May we took a Year 7 Football Team and a Year 8 Football Team to compete in the South Eastern Zone Tournaments. The Year 7 team competed well, making it into semi-finals. And the Year 8 team showed lots of sportsmanship and determination. Big thanks to senior student coaches Marcus Widvey and Carlos Wu-Zheng for all your time and effort with training the teams twice a week, and Levi Guyan for refereeing at both tournaments.



Cross Country Central Eastern Zone

On the 17th of May we had 6 students represent Elim Christian College in the Cross Country Central Eastern Zone race. Kyla Croft, Annebell Dogger, Matthew Forman, Matthew Palmer, Levi Guyan and Ricco Reckling. The conditions were very muddy and wet, but the students did well and pushed through despite this.

South Eastern Zone Gymnastics

Well done to the 7 students who represented Elim Christian College at the South Eastern Zone Gymnastics competition on the 15th June. Chelsea Allan, Adriana Belloso, Anita Cheng, Harriet Curnow, Christina Rawoof, Baylee Travis and Duncan Ramsey.

Anita Cheng placed 3rd in the Year 7 Individual Girls Competition and Duncan Ramsey was placed 2nd in the Boys' Open Competition. They will both now go on to compete in the Interzone Auckland Champion of Champions Competition later next term.

Big thanks to Mrs Lorraine Dodd for last minute training the students and taking them to the competition.

South Eastern Zone Table Tennis

On the 20th of June we took a team of 8 students to the South Eastern Zone Table Tennis tournament held at Somerville Intermediate. The students had numerous games throughout the day and competed well, showing lots of sportsmanship. Lydia Jackson made semi-finals and placed 4th overall for the Girls competition.





Gymsport Championships

On Thursday 28th June, we had 3 students represent Elim Christian College at the College Sport Gymsport Championships. Briana Hall competed in Tumbling, Annebell Dogger in Rhythmic gymnastics, and Duncan Ramsey in the Men's Artistic. It was amazing to watch them compete and all students should be very proud of themselves. Annebell Dogger placed 2nd in her level of Rhythmic, and Duncan Ramsey placed 4th in his level of Men's Artistic.











South Eastern Zone Futsal Tournament

On Tuesday we took a Year 7 Futsal team to compete in the South Eastern Futsal Tournament.

The 6 boys, Cael Samuel, Ethan Spurdle, Joshua Ly, Noah Milne, Payton Ogle and Micah Guyan displayed great skill and sportsmanship throughout the day and should be proud of themselves for the determination they showed against a tough competition. Well done guys.

Cross Country Mountain Biking

Jack Forman has been competing in the Auckland Secondary Schools Mountain Biking Cross Country Series. This is a series of 5 races, which he has raced 3 of. Below are some pictures from his second race held at Hunua Regional Park where he finished at 9th place.

In the most recent race held at Woodhill Forest Timothy Price along with Jack Forman represented Elim Christian College at the race series

Congratulations to both Jack and Tim. Look forward to hearing more throughout the rest of the series!





Table Tennis Term 2 Competition

This term we have had 3 teams competing in the Table Tennis Auckland Term 2 Winter Competition. It has been a quite a succesful season, and we have entered another 3 teams to compete in the Term 3 competition. Each week the students are improving and have been practicing each week at school and playing at St Kentigerns on a Friday afternoon. Massive thanks to teachers/coaches Mr Michael Lowe and Mr Jason Koh for making this happen. It's awesome to see the students enjoying the sport and growing as players as you share your extensive knowledge about the game with them. We wish you another succesful season in Term 3!

Basketball Term 2

This year we have 5 teams representing Elim Christian College in the sport of Basketball. Its awesome to see it grow as more students discover their love for this wonderful sport.

We have competing a Y/8 Team, 2 x Y9/10 Teams, a U17 and U19 team.

Our Y7/8 team have been doing well considering being quite a new team. They are currently placing 5th on the table. A big thankyou

to our student coaches who have been helping each week with training.

This year our U19 and Y9/10A team have been competing in the A grades, which is the first time our teams have competed at this level. Its awesome to see such talent within the teams. It has been a tough competition but both teams are doing well and showing great determination. Our Y9/10A team are currently placing 4th equal.

Our U17 team are competing in B grade on a Tuesday evening. This is a very new team this year, and considering the tough competition the boys are giving their best every week even with limited subs. Well done guys, you should be very proud of yourselves.

Big thank you to all our coaches and managers for all your time and effort. We couldn't have made each week happen without you!! All the best for playoffs next term!



Badminton Term 2 Competition

This term we have had 4 teams competing in the Auckland East Badminton Competition, and look to continue having 3 of them play next term. Congratulations to the teams on a wonderful season, and a massive thanks to Mr Graeme Foster for organising them and coaching on a Friday afternoon. Big thanks to all those who have helped with managing the teams on game days throughout the term.

Current standings for the teams are:

Grade A Elim A placing 7th

Grade C Elim C1 placing 2nd

Elim C2 placing 6th

Grade D Elim Girls placing 3rd

Rugby – Sancta Maria/Elim Composite Team

This year we were unable to create an Elim Rugby team due to limited numbers, however we have 8 students who are in a composite team with Sancta Maria playing in their 1st XV in 4th grade. We are excited and grateful to Sancta Maria to give them this opportunity. The boys have been very dedicated this season and train twice a week down at Sancta Maria College. Well done on your season so far guys, and all the best as it wraps up next term. We are very proud of the way you have represented yourselves and Elim Christian College.

Squash Term 2 Season

Once again Squash seems a very popular sport at Elim and its very exciting to see it continuing to grow. This year we have a total of

5 teams competing. 2 of these teams are competing in A grade, and the other 3 in B grade. For some of the students it is their first time playing squash and its exciting to see the talent coming through. A number of these students are also only Year 8 competing against senior students. Well done to all the students on your outstanding results and commitment each week. All the best as you go into playoffs.

A massive thankyou to Mr Mark Mack who puts so much time into coaching and organising our teams each week. Also big thanks to all the other teachers who manage the teams and take them to games each week. Couldn't do any of it without you!

Current standings for the teams are:

Boys Open A Grade	Elim A1 – placing 3 rd	
	Elim A2 – placing 6 th	
Boys Open B Grade	Elim B1 – placing 5 th	
Boys Junior Grade	Elim B2 – placing 9 th	
Girls Open B Grade	Elim Girls – placing 1^{st}	

Football Season – Term 2

The football season is off to another great start this year. Our senior 1st XI team is playing in the Senior A3 grade this year and we also have a Junior Boys team playing in 15th B East Grade.

Our 1st XI are currently placing 2nd on the table.

Big thanks to Mr Rob Thomas for organising and managing the teams each week. Also big thanks to coaches Mr Wayne Mackenzie - 1st XI and Mr Malcolm Osborne - Junior Boys. We really appreciate all the time and knowledge you are sowing into our students. We wish the teams all the best with the rest of the season.

Intermediate Sports Camp

During the week of the 11th – 15th of June we took a team of 40 students down to the annual Intermediate Sports Camp week held at Totara Spring Christian Camp in Matamata. This is a fantastic week away and a big highlight for the students each year. This year was no exception, and in terms of results our best year ever!!

All the students who represented us during this week, showed excellent sportsmanship and demonstrated Elim Christian Character throughout all the highs and lows that come with competing. The week started off with some pretty miserable whether, but the students pushed through and gave it all they had despite the difficult conditions.

Thankyou to the students and their hard work training all term to practice their sports. We made it into an outstanding number of semi finals and finals ending up getting seven 1st placings.

A special thanks to all the teachers and senior students who gave up their time to train our teams in Rugby, Touch Rugby, Tag, Volleyball, Netball, Basketball, Football, Table Tennis, Softball, Hockey and our Sports Camp Chant. We really appreciate all the effort you put into our teams.

Results from this year:

1 st Placing	2 nd Placing	4 th Placing	Got into Semi but lost
Girls Netball	Swimming	Cross Country	Rugby
Outdoor Mixed Football	Boys Volleyball	Quality Living	Softball
Boys Hockey	Tennis		Girls Volleyball
Girls Basketball	Caged Soccer		Petanque
Wallball	Girls Table Tennis		Croquet
Boys Indoor Soccer	Draughts		Bowls
Shooting	Hole in One Golf		Human Foosball
			Darts
			Boys Table Tennis
			Spikeball

Yr 5/6 Soccer

Last week our Yr 5/6 Soccer team played their very first Soccer game on our brand new Tiger Turf against Ormiston Primary School. The pitch was in perfect condition and the sun was out . The boys couldn't wait to get out there and play. Elim won the match with ease, and it made it even more special to win in front of the school





and parents. Thank you to all the supporters that came down to watch.



Yr 5/6 Hockey team

Last week we also had our Hockey field day at Lloyd Elsmore. We put together a big team - a mixture of Yr 5 and 6 students. It's great to see so much interest in Hockey, something that we can definitely keep growing especially now that we have a proper Turf to train on. The day ran well with the weather holding off. Elim won a few games and lost a few but all together it was a success. Thank you to Ms Brown for all the training that you put into the team.

Elim Basketball

On Thursday 5th July we had two basketball teams playing in the final for the ABSL Basketball league. We had our Yr 3/4 team "Eliminators" and our Yr 5/6 Team "Elim Saints" playing against Sancta Maria in the final. Both games were extremely close with our Yr 5/6 team winning via a Free throw shoot out. ! Both teams had heaps of support from parents and teachers. This was our first time registering in this Basketball league and both teams won their final game! Huge thank you to all of our coaches and managers.





by

Mrs Borthwick and Mr Castledine



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Israel 2018 Trip departed on Thursday, 5th July 2018. We wish them a blessed trip and safe travels.

Important Scholastic Notice for Year 0 - 8 The school will no longer be receiving cash/cheque for scholastic orders. Scholastic orders from Term 3 will no longer be able to be ordered through the school. You will need to order and pay through the online system on the back of the scholastic form. Your orders will be delivered to school and we will continue to hand them out to students. If you have any queries please email Robyn Powell on robyn.powell@elim.school.nz





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<u>Play first, then eat, then learn</u>

For the first week in Term 3, the Golflands Campus will be trialling a new arrangement for our lunch times.

Presently, the lunch bell goes at 12 noon and students sit down for 10 minutes to eat their lunch. When the 12.10pm bell goes, students usually stop eating and head off to play. In fact, there is a trend to rush through their lunches before the 12.10pm bell goes, so that they would have as much time as possible to play.

For the first week of Term 3, we will trial flipping the current arrangement. Students will 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.

Schools that have tried it report that when children play before lunch, there is less food waste and more fruit and vegetables eaten, and some teachers report there are fewer behaviour issues.

Golflands Campus Student Voice: (What do our students think?)

Positives	Concerns
Student will come back <i>hungry</i> from play- ing and will eat more of their lunch	From 12.30 to 12.45 may still not be <i>enough time</i> for the slow eaters.
Students will be <i>on time</i> coming off the field as they will be wanting to have their lunch.	Can students be given the option of eating earlier? (This will definitely be explored further is we decide to go ahead with the new arrangement.)

Please click on the link below if you would like to read more about this initiative.

<u>https://hail.to/oaklands-school/article/EKGcbP9</u> - please click on the link and look at page 3 of the Health-Promoting Schools magazine. Following the trial, we will report back to parents / caregivers. Parent feedback on this initiative will also be encouraged at the time of our report.

Helping keep students at the Golflands Campus safe

The offences below happen quite frequently and put our students at risk:

- Parking at 'No Parking' spots this is causing our neighbours' immense frustration.
- Not using the Kea Crossing when the Road Patrol team is on duty.
- Driving through the bus bay to either pick up or drop off students.
- Driving into our neighbours' driveways to make a turn around. Bob Charles Drive is a crescent so an option is to drive around.
- Parking in front of our neighbours' driveways to drop off students.
- Parking on the yellow lines in front of the stairs into the campus.

Please help us keep all our students safe and be sensitive to the needs of our neighbours.



TigerTurf, National Sales Manager, Adam Cherrie visited the Golflands Campus recently to present our Sports Monitors with sporting gear after the very successful completion of the field at the campus.

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Water night for Parents and Students

We had a fabulous turn out from most of our families to the showcase of our work being done in the Middle School this term. Thanks to Mr McMillan and his printing company there were Stormwater and Easy Steps to Save Water flyers going home to be distributed. There were cloth bags for sale to shop with, instead of plastics bags, designed and printed by a group of boys. There are more for sale at \$3.50 if you would like to buy one. Visit Room 12 with your money. One group designed a fabulous billboard and another group made posters for shops, businesses and Community centres on Stormwater. Other classes showed beautifully presented PowerPoints on their learning and how to be a life long learner.



Following this Emily from our East campuses shared on Digital Parenting and helpful tips for navigating the technology based world we now live in. It was very informative. Thanks to everyone who came and to all the students for your hard work and successful learning.

Sir Peter Blake Award

On Wednesday Kareena David was awarded the Intermediate leadership award from Sir Peter Blake Trust.

Two representatives from Westpac came to present the award and spoke of Kareena's exemplary leadership skills. She received a medal, certificate, red socks, a book on Sir Peter Blake's life and a lapel pin. Well done Kareena.





Fang Fei Zhao from Year 3 (Rm 6), competed in the 2018 Auckland Girls Chess Championship. 144 girls aged from 5 to 18 competed.

Fang Fei gained 1st place in the Under 8 category and was awarded a Gold Medal and Certificate.

She was presented with her prize at our Junior Assembly on Wednesday 4th July by Mr Murray Burton (Principal) and Mrs Margaret Sellar (Room 6 Teacher). Well done Fang Fei!

Host Families Wanted - July and August 2018

Have you ever considered hosting an International Student for Elim Christian College Mount Albert Campus?

We have three groups of International Students visiting Elim Christian College Mount Albert Campus as detailed below, and are looking for host families.

Hong Kong Group – 20 July/02 August – two students per home Japanese Group – 04/15 August – one student per home Japanese Group – 19 August/26 August – one student per home

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Families need to be available and willing to spend time with their students and English needs to be the first language spoken at home.

If you would like more information and are interested in becoming a homestay family for students at Elim Christian College Mount Albert Campus please contact Aileen King our Homestay Coordinator at email <u>homestay@elim.school.nz</u>



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July Workshops (for school students in years 11 to 13)

Holiday MATH Tuitions

Years 1-7

Fun holiday tuitions for that extra push in maths! During the Term 2 holidays (7 July to 20 July) for years 1-7. Class taken by NCEA Level 1 student.



Email for more information or to book a class: <u>funmathtuitions@gmail.com</u> Classes held at 184 Botany Road I am a student of Sancta Maria College, living on Botany Road, just across from your college. Although I am in year 10, I am doing year 11 Maths (NCEA Level 1), I have a great passion for Maths. Besides other activities, I am also a Middle School Leader.

In these term holidays I am giving Maths tuitions to extend students in years 1-7 that wish to achieve higher, or need that extra practice to come up to standards.

I would love to be of help to your students that could benefit with extra Maths practice in the term break



PRIMARY YEARS 5-9

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