

Elim Christian College

NEWSLETTER

27 March 2018

From the Principal

Kia Ora everyone

Last Wednesday I attended an early morning prayer meeting at Elim Christian Centre. It wasn't my amazement in seeing car park attendants having to find spaces for people, nor was it the generosity of our church to supply coffee on our departure to cope with the 'traffic' that lay ahead. No, it was the simple and powerful reminder of the power of prayer and the overwhelming impact of HIS presence.

As people prayed for our school I was both humbled and excited. What if every school family prayed daily for our school and not just the Arise parents prayer groups? What

break-throughs would we see? What supernatural provisioning would happen? How would the atmosphere change? How would relationships grow? How would God's presence envelope all 3 campuses in greater measure and dimension? Wowthis needs to happen folks!!

We are a school of people saved by grace. We are not super-human but we aim for excellence in what we do. We are not above making mistakes but we want to serve you all well! We are not in competition with neighbouring schools but we desire to be the best school we can possibly be! These are all challenges we willingly embrace.

This year is quite a watershed for us. Having 3 campuses for the first time, a major building project, adjusting current ways of working and planning for future growth, helping to lead a community of learning (our Kahui Ako with 5 other schools) and the list goes on.

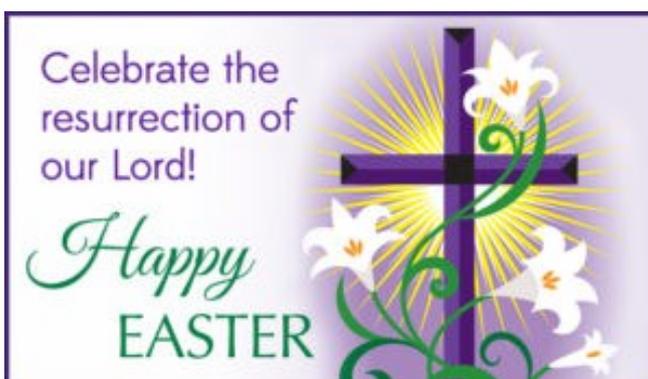
I share this to emphasise the imperative to pray. If you believe in what we do, if you are committed long term to our future, if the investment in your child is at the top of your priority list - then pray! Pray daily and pray earnestly. It could be an early morning, it could be with coffee, it could be in rush hour traffic or before you crash into bed at night.....wherever it is - -won't you cover your child, your family and your school in prayer! It can be a game changer, a deal breaker and a difference maker!

This is 'redemption week'a week in Jerusalem that was filled with bloodshed, deception, obedience, betrayal and yet completion as the death, burial and resurrection of Christ drew closer and closer. As you enjoy the coming long weekend and a much needed break, remember that Easter is also a real game changer, a deal breaker and difference maker should you choose to surrender all. It's all about HIM!



Mr Murray Burton MNZM
PRINCIPAL

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EASTER HOLIDAY BREAK

School will be closed for the Easter Break on the following days:

Friday 30th March
Monday 2nd April
Tuesday 3rd April

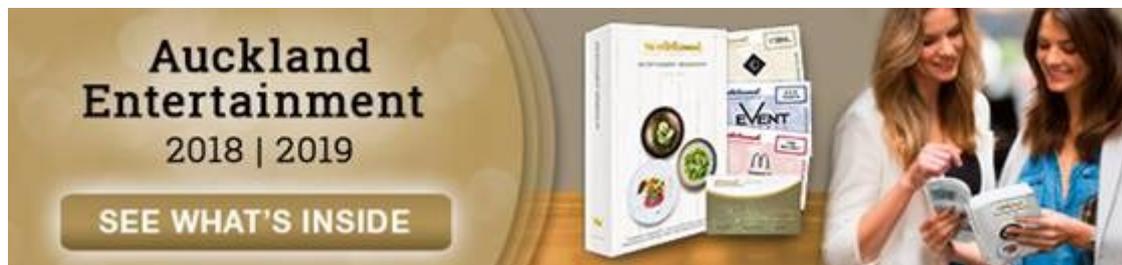
School resumes on Wednesday 4th April. Have a safe and happy Easter.

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