

Elim Christian College

MT ALBERT CAMPUS NEWSLETTER 4th July 2019



Updates from Murray Burton - Principal

Kia Ora everyone

Thank you once again for supporting our school. Term 2 has come to an end and what a busy 10 weeks it has been. Elim Christian College has a wonderful community who are generous, supportive and deeply engaged with education. Week after week parents are attending events, transporting, managing and coaching sporting teams, blessing our staff with notes of encouragement and so on. This is all so appreciated.

Mid-year reports have now been issued. Please read and digest. We are most happy to further discuss your child's progress at any time and to do all we can to focus their learning in the right direction and to provide guidance where we can.

Term 3 is another big term and slightly harder with 10 weeks of real winter weather to navigate. Each age-group has so much to do, so much to cover and develop through in their schoolwork. It will be a good term. In the last week of next term, we host the Education Review Office for their cyclic review. We are looking forward to this as a benchmark for our operation and achievement.

Uniform: the holidays is a good opportunity for a review of your child's uniform. Please ensure it is cleaned, repaired and that you still have all the correct items. We are still getting some irregular pieces being worn and this tends to increase as the weather gets colder. We deeply value your support in keeping the uniform right.

Thank you for your contribution of the term by term donation, it is so very much appreciated and makes such a difference for us operationally. This gives us the ability to resource our special character to ensure it remains strong and is the focus of all we do.

Term dates for the remainder of 2019

Term 3: 22 July – 27 September

Term 4: 14 October – 12 December

The last day of school for all Year 11-13 students is **Friday 1st November** to prepare for the NCEA examinations.

The last day of school for all Year 1-10 students - **Thursday 12th December** with school finishing 3.00pm

Term dates for 2020

Term 1:

Monday 3 -Wednesday 8th April

3-5 February all students attend

Thursday 6 February is Waitangi Day (school closed)

Friday 7 February is the South East Christian Kahui Ako

Staff Only Day (school closed)

Wednesday 8th April last day of Term 1 for all students

Thursday 9th April (school closed) Schoolwide Teacher Only Day

Term 2:

Tuesday 28th April – Friday 3rd July

Monday 1st June – Queens Birthday Holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 2nd June - South East Christian Kahui Ako Staff Only Day (school closed)

Term 2 finishes: Friday 3rd July

Term 3: Monday 20th July – Friday 25th September

Term 4: Monday 12th October – Tuesday 15th December with school finishing at 3.00pm. NCEA dates to be advised.



SCHOOL WIDE NOTICES



Elim Christian College is hosting a community event on 14 August starting at 7:15pm (gold coin donation) in the auditorium at 159 Botany Rd. Please promote widely in our community – all are welcome.

Raising Resilient Families - in life, relationships and their online world

Parenting can be fun and exciting, but new changes and challenges can also feel overwhelming. How can we support our children to become who they are meant to be? In this interactive seminar Collett discusses:

- How we might harness the resilience factors within each child
- What children want and what they actually need
- Helping young people take their resilience online
- Practical tips for enhancing your relationship with your children and teens

Guest speaker, Collett Smart is a psychologist, qualified teacher and author of 'THEY'LL Be OKAY: 15 Conversations To Help Your Child Through Troubled Times' (Hachette)

Collett has more than 20 years' experience working in private and public schools, as well as in private practice. She appears regularly on national television and radio, as an expert in teen and family issues. Collett has taught and delivered psychology workshops and seminars around the world. She is an Ambassador for International Justice Mission Australia and is mum to 3 children, aged 11, 16 and 18 years old.

New Zealand online purchase here: <https://www.mightyape.co.nz/product/theyll-be-okay/28221600>

www.collettsmart.com

Student Celebration



Here are our Year 7-8 International Students here for 4 months at Snow Planet! We celebrate them today for their bravery in coming to a new country to learn and grow as people. We love having them as apart of Elim Christian College.

Student Celebration

SILVER AWARD

This certificate recognises the achievement of

Joseph Frith

In the
2018 - 19 New Zealand Biology Olympiad Team Selection Camp

It is awarded to the top 24 Biology students in New Zealand who attended
an intensive residential training and selection camp in April 2019.

Congratulations on behalf of the NZ International Biology Olympiad Committee


Dr Angela Sharples
NZIBO Chairperson



Joseph Frith (Y13 Student) did extremely well in the NZ International Biology Olympiad competition. Out of 700 students around the country, Joseph was one of 24 selected for the training camp which occurred in the Term 1 school holidays at various universities around Auckland. Joseph attained a Silver award and unfortunately did not make the team of four selected to represent NZ - however he did brilliantly to get this far.

Serina Seo and Janelle Evans attained Bronze awards and made it into the Summer study group.

Congratulations to all 3 students, we are so proud of you and wish you well in your chosen tertiary studies and future careers.

CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES



On Monday the 1st July, with all the art students in Years 12 and 13 caught the train into Britomart and went to AUT to see the Top Art Exhibition. Students from Botany Campus joined us there. Firstly, AUT showed us the variety of courses available at AUT, specifically the art and design courses. They offer a vast range of options and are in the top 1.2% of universities worldwide, and the No.1 place to study art in New Zealand.

Then, AUT showed us the exhibition of the best NCEA art boards of students all around New Zealand. This included design, photography, painting, and sculpture. It was fascinating looking at the variety of excellent work done by students around my own age. I take photography, so was particularly inspired by some of the photography boards, especially some beautiful ones talking about Maori culture. The use of original photography techniques, colour, and composition was inspiring for me. I now have an understanding of the huge variety of ways to artistically portray ideas - this work I saw today was amazingly diverse and all either meaningful, beautiful, or both. I really enjoyed this art trip, and am now excited to use the creative ideas I got from the exhibition in my own photography work at MAC. - Lucy Porter (Year 12)

CAMPUS SPECIFIC NOTICES

Celebrating Matariki at MAC

Matariki Acrostic Poem

M ountains are high
A ll people watch the stars at night
T he wind is blowing
A love is shared
R ivers are flowing
I finished having kai
K iwis are beautiful
I pray to God for a good day tomorrow.

By: Faatua tua. Isaaka.



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On Wednesday 4 teams from MAC went to the Auckland Christian Schools netball tournament. It was a beautiful day and the girls played very well. There was great team spirit and enthusiasm. The Year 6 team gained third place after 4 wins in pool play and were narrowly beaten. Well done on your commitment girls.

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The Tanzania mission Team leaves NZ on Thursday and will spend the next two weeks ministering in a variety of ways to the people of Tanzania. They have prepared dramas, dance, Kapa Haka, testimonies and short messages to share. They will spend time at New Life Foundation, an orphanage and school, in Moshi playing and interacting with the students there. It will be a rich and fruitful time. Please pray for them and thank you to all those who have supported this trip and contributed items for us to take. Everything we give will be most appreciated.

Mr Craig and Mrs Ruth Scott

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 5th July

LAST DAY OF TERM ONE