

Elim Christian College

NEWSLETTER

10 April 2018

From the Principal

Kia Ora folks

I write again on the **traffic theme**! We have again over the past two weeks had incidents of parents simply breaking the law by parking incorrectly outside and in proximity to our Golflands Campus. We have now come to the point of informing Auckland Council who will dispatch their team to ticket people who are incorrectly parked. Such parking is giving our school a bad name in the community with local residents writing in. The Police have also now been informed.

I would also like to emphasise another aspect of our traffic management: **The 'bus bay drive-through' at Golflands**. The rules for this have been regularly abused by parents and this

has to stop. Please note the following, in our agreement with Auckland Transport – the Outline Plan of Works states that from a traffic engineering perspective vehicles crossing the footpath at the entrance and exit to the drive-through create a high-risk pedestrian-vehicle intersection at peak times that is not acceptable. Therefore, that area is definitely not for parents to use for drop-offs and pickups. The drive-through traffic is limited to buses and occasional visitors and has never been intended for a drop off / pick up point.

Lastly, as Principal I am determined that the behaviour of our drivers will match the exemplary work done annually by our students and staff in their 'travel-wise' work. As adults, we are not setting a good example to our children.

Advance Warning

Towards the end of this year we will be welcoming our middle school students to our Golflands Campus. We are hoping to have both rear entrances opened for students to use, Simon Owen Place and Montecito Place. The plan is to have Y7/8 only accessing the campus through one rear entrance and Y9/10 only accessing the campus through the other rear entrance. Y7-10 will not be able to enter the campus from Golfland Drive. When parents drop their Y7-10 children off at the rear entrances, they cannot drive up the cul-de-sacs, instead they must park in Bob Charles and have their children walk up the cul-de-sac. It is good for students to walk, even if raining (they have coats!) and it is essential that we as a school, honour and respect the residents of those two streets.

The 10 Year Anniversary of the Mangatepopo Tragedy

This Friday 13th April, Y5-13 will gather at Botany Campus to hold our annual 'Spiritual Landmark' assembly. There is a heightened sense of emotion being the tenth year. We are expecting visitors from Hillary Outdoors (OPC), ex-students and of course our very special bereaved families and their supporters. Only the Y5/6 students will join with the Y7-13s for the assembly. As a special request to our current parent / caregiver community, I am asking that you be mindful and make space for the many visitors we are expecting – people who were intimately involved in the tragedy in 2008. I'm sorry to have to say that, but I sense we will be inundated with people since it is the 10th year.

A morning tea will be provided for the special guests mentioned above. This is a call for our wonderful ARISE parents to assist in providing a plate of food for the morning tea. If you are able to assist please contact Mrs Snary: ariseparents@elim.school.nz - food can be dropped off at the chapel prior to school starting. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



Mr Murray Burton MNZM
PRINCIPAL

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Murray Burton', written over a blue horizontal line.

End of Term

This has been an amazing term, a first! We have successfully by God's grace and favour, navigated our way through the past 10 weeks as one school on 3 campuses. Thank you parents for your adjustments. Thank you, Mt Albert Campus, for joining the family! Congratulations staff for being the best staff ever - you have had so much thrown at you and day by day and week by week, you have triumphed!!

Nga mihi

Regards

Murray



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| Term 1 | 7 February - 13 April |
| Term 2 | 30 April - 6 July |
| Term 3 | 23 July - 28 September |
| Term 4 | 15 October - 18 December |



World Vision

Elim's Got Talent is taking place on **Saturday 5th May from 7pm to 9:30pm.**

Bring the family for a night of fun and entertainment.

Tickets \$8 per person. \$25 for a family.

Term 4 Sports

Junior Mixed Waterpolo

Over the past month, the Elim Christian College Junior Waterpolo team competed in two one-day tournaments. Below is a recount from one of our students.

In the first tournament, our team played well together and finished the day with a win.

In the second tournament, our team came out on top and won all of our games. Even though it was a boy's tournament, we entered with a mixed team and we managed to play extremely well. The first game was a score of 6-2 to us, game two was a well-played 3-1 and the final game was our hardest yet, with a win of 5-4. I was really proud of our team as we played very tough games against many experienced players and still came out with a win overall.

Thanks to all the parent help and supporters on the day, and a big congratulations to the team.



Counties Manukau Athletics and Auckland Champs

Earlier this term, 13 students represented Elim Christian College at the Counties Manukau Zone Athletics competition. These students qualified to compete, some in multiple events from our Senior School Athletics Day.

It was awesome to have such a big number of students representing us for the day. Even though the conditions were tough with lots of rain, the students made an outstanding effort in their events. Congratulations to all who competed.

Out of the Counties Manukau Zone Athletics day, two of our students qualified to compete in the Auckland Championships.

Kyla Croft placed 3rd in Junior Girls High Jump at the Counties Manukau Zone event and went on to place 8th at Auckland Champs. She placed 1st at Counties in the 70m Hurdles and also went on to place 8th at the Auckland Champs.

Hope Bailey placed 1st at the Counties competition and qualified for Intermediate Girls High Jump where she placed 4th overall at the Auckland Champs.

Huge congratulations girls! Well done.



William Wu competed at the Auckland Champs in the Athletes with Disabilities division of the competition. He competed in the vision impaired division, in 4 different events.

100m sprint

200m sprint

Shotput

Long Jump

Leading up to the event, Will spent a number of lunchtimes training with fellow student Joshua Hay, who assisted Will in his events. This required lots of communication and trust between them. It was very inspiring to watch them work together.

Together Will and Josh achieved some amazing results:

- 3rd in the 100m and 200m sprints
- throwing 6.31m in the shotput
- jumping 3.93m in long jump.

Well done Will, we are very proud of you.

(Please see photos on the next page)



Auckland Christian Schools Touch Rugby Tournament

Earlier this term, we took a Y7/8 team and a Y9/10 team to compete at the ACS Touch Tournament held at Moire Park in Massey.

Our Y7/8 team placed 1st and our Y9/10 team placed 3rd! Congratulations to all of the team members and a big thank you to our student referees and coaches.





Orienteering

Over the past 6 weeks we had 36 students participate in the Counties Manukau Orienteering competition. This is held at different schools within our area, where the students are given a map and they are required to navigate their way around the property, marking off at electronic checkpoints, trying to improve their overall times each week.

Three of our Orienteering students qualified to compete at the Auckland Orienteering finals last Saturday. Tyler Wolsky, Grace Wagener and Jack Dransfield were required to attend two different locations where their times were added up for the final result.

Well done to our outstanding competitors, you have made us proud.

On Tuesday, we selected our top Orienteering students to compete in the South Eastern Zone Orienteering event at Lloyd Elsmore Park. These students range from Y5 – Y8.

Well done on representing our school!

South Eastern Zone Swimming

On the 9th of March, six of our students represented Elim Christian College in the SEZ Swimming competition, some of them competing in all four events. These students were selected based on their results from our Elim Swimming Competition. Congratulations on a great effort team!



South Eastern Zone Tag

On the 20th of March, we took a boys Tag Team to the South Eastern Zone Competition. They had an awesome day and worked hard as a team, placing 7th overall. Well done boys!



South Eastern Zone Tennis

On the 29th of March, we had three Y8 students compete in the South Eastern Zone Tennis Tournament at Somerville Intermediate. Jasmin Burger competed in the singles competition, and Kaelin Jackson and Monique Jellie entered into the doubles competition. The girls played well and had a great day. Well done girls and a big thank you to Shaun Burger who umpired our games for the day.



Cross Country Mountain Biking

Liam and Jack Forman both competed in the first of five series of the Auckland Schools Mountain Bike Cross Country Race series on Sunday 25th February. The boys have been riding and competing for a number of years and are both very talented.

Jack competed in the Professionals National School MTB Championships held in Rotorua earlier this term. He entered into the Cross Country race where he placed 19th overall. This is such an awesome achievement, and we are very proud of you both.

Counties Manukau Swimming

Well done to our four Y9 students - Nathan Joe, Regan Ong, Matthew Loh and Alice Fenn who represented our school in a range of individual races at the Counties Manukau Swimming Interzone meet at Manurewa Aquatic Centre on the 6th of March.

Mt Hobson Road Relay

On Wednesday 28th March we had eight students represent Elim Christian College in the Mt Hobson Road Relay event. We entered one male and one female team of students who were Y7 – 10. Each student was required to run two kilometers. Both teams came 1st overall which is an outstanding achievement! Congratulations team!

Senior Tag Tournament

On the 27th March a team of Y11 – 13 boys competed in the South Eastern Senior Tag Tournament. This was a one-day tournament held at Ngati Otara Park. Even though it was a tough tournament, the boys continued to show great team spirit and a positive attitude in every game. The team upheld our Elim Christian Character to a high standard and should all be very proud of the effort they made. Well done boys.





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Thursday 12 April

Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle: fundraising for Volleyball National Teams & New Zealand Secondary Schools Football Representative

Please note pg.11 of the Student Handbook guidelines regarding Mufti Days:

- We expect that students will dress appropriately and sensibly for all mufti days
- No bare midriffs showing (open waistlines)
- No item of clothing should have inappropriate slogans
- No coloured hair
- Inappropriate dress on mufti days can result in students being asked to return home to correct the clothing choice



The Crean family sharing about being Salt and Light with Y10's who have been studying the Sermon in the Mount.

The Crean's work in Kenya supporting communities in sanitation matters and making a difference for all, especially for girls in those communities.



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**You may be the answer to our traffic woes!
Are you able to give us just 1 morning a week from Term 2?**

Why does Golflands Campus need a Walking School Bus?

Less cars and congestion on Golflands Drive at peak hours.

Teach our students safe walking skills.

Students enjoy walking with friends.

Daily exercise can aid academic achievements, as it helps improve concentration, memory and learning.

Students can earn rewards.

Free up your mornings by sharing the responsibility:

When the responsibility of getting children to and from school is shared among a group of parents, it can lead to more free time for everyone. For example, if you are 1 of 10-12 volunteers for a morning a week supervising the walking school bus, you're free to get to work without the stress of dropping off your child (or children) the other 4 days.

How do we start a walking school bus for the Golflands Campus?

We would like to start with a walking school bus from Sir Bob Charles Drive. Setting this up requires enthusiastic parents or adults just like you. If you think you are that person, contact our Travelwise co-ordinator, Miss Brown in Room 6, moselle.brown@elim.school.nz. We would like to have two parents (front and back) on at a time. You will be required to be present at 8.20am to walk the students to school at 8.30 am.

Once we have our parent volunteers, Auckland Transport can give us all the help we need in getting the walking school bus going, including:

- Parent/volunteer training, ongoing support, and networking and training opportunities, e.g. child first-aid course and regular chances to meet up with those involved in the walking school bus network.
- Discretionary funding for a route.
- Useful resources.
- Checking the proposed route for safety.



For more details about a walking school bus, please visit the site walkingschoolbus@at.govt.nz.

Stepping Out with Constable Merv Hotter

Elim Christian College is proud to be a Travelwise school. In Week 7, we had Constable Merv Hotter visiting our Years 0-4 classes. He taught the students about crossing the road safely, how to look out for 'sneaky driveways' and riding bikes to school.



Kea Crossing

The Travelwise monitors want to ensure all children are crossing safely, at the Kea Crossing as Constable Merv taught them. In Week 8, the Travelwise monitors helped students cross the road with a Kea.



Speed Guns

The Travelwise monitors used speed guns to see how fast motorists travel outside our school. They were shocked to find out that over a third of cars were traveling over the speed limit of 50kph.



Parking

Please look after our community and make sure you are parking in a SAFE and SENSIBLE place when dropping your children off. We have received complaints from neighbours that our parents are parking in or too close to driveways. **The council has been informed** and will ensure that regular monitoring of parking will occur. Anyone found parking illegally can expect to be issued with a ticket.

有关在校停车和周边停车

请勿在以下地点停靠车辆：

私家车道前方或者离私家车道一米距离内

黄色虚线处

已有相关人员通报奥克兰市议会，市议会将确保有专门人员监督家长停车。任何人违规停车将有可能收到罚单。



Parking

Respect your school community.

Do not park on footpaths, drive-ways, yellow lines or crossings.



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MAC Athletic Sports

On Wednesday we enjoyed a calm and cloudy day to compete at the annual Athletics Sports. The day included shot put, discus, high jump, sprints, 400m, 1500m, mini javelin, basketball shooting, softball throw, long jump and ending with House Relays. It was a fun day and many skills were showcased. Thanks teachers and parents for a great day.





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