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Dear Parents of Year 9 students

Introduction to the "Wise Moves" Year 9 event

Among the many issues teens face, making wise choices about sex is one of the most critical. At Elim Christian College we deliver this part of the NZ health curriculum through our *Wise Moves programme* which promotes a biblical perspective on sex, dating and relationships.

We are holding a 4 period session for year 9 students on Thurs 13 Dec. This will be lead by Mrs Britten, Mr Mack, Mrs Mack, Mr McKenzie, and Miss Gibson and also includes an Attitude presentation. It forms part of our Sex and Sexuality programme which is continued in year 10 and revisited in years 11-13. Its primary goals at year 9 level are to communicate that sex saved for marriage is the safest and healthiest choice, to discuss the concept of boundaries and consent, to provide information about sexually transmitted infections, and to equip students to face the challenges of pornography and the media. Students will have some time all together and some time where we address topics and questions separately for boys and girls.

We believe parents are the primary sex educators of their children so we would encourage you to continue the conversation at home after Thursday's session as we journey together to support our young people in navigating this very challenging arena. Please contact me on yvette.britten@elim.school.nz if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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