

Elim Christian College

NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Kia Ora everyone

What a crazy week of weather. I am very aware that parents and staff have been adversely affected by the storm. Thank you to many parents who have reached out to others to help. ARISE Parents have been doing a wonderful job. Regrettably, but understandably, because of the flooding at Camp Adair, our planned Y8 camp for next week has had to be cancelled.

It's great to see our after school Chinese language classes growing as part of ARISE PM. We are planning to hold another holiday programme in the April break so watch out for sign up details.

I have had the opportunity to be part of superb staff professional learning sessions in the last couple of weeks here at school. Both campuses are in pursuit of top learning outcomes for our students.

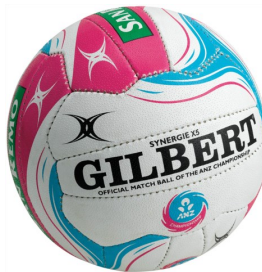


Mr Murray Burton MNZM
PRINCIPAL

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'M. Burton'.

Elim Christian Netball Club

College teams have been announced. Please let us know if you did not receive an email. We are sending out a newsletter with junior team details today



Club night – Tuesday 14th March 7 – 8.30pm in the senior school gym. This is a night for all players and parents. There will be time for teams to meet with their coaches.

Uniforms will be issued for juniors (\$20 refundable cash bond required) and ordered for college players. Girls are responsible for selling their second-hand uniform and a table will be set up for this purpose. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Practices – all practices start on Tuesday 21st March at the senior campus. We would encourage all players to be working on their fitness and netball skills as grading weekends are early in April.

Grading weekends - April 1st and 2nd for juniors, April 8th and 9th for juniors

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Our Y10 students have all been involved in the “**Seven Habits**” leadership programme at Willow Creek this week. This inspiring day provides our students with lifelong invaluable skills and values.

Year 12 Biology Rocky Shore field trip

Earlier this week, Year 12 Biology students attended a field trip to observe the coastal ecosystem and collect data about the distribution of organisms located in Magazine Bay, Maraetai **for their Ecology Internal**. These students have gained an appreciation about wildlife in our local Rocky shores, and have also enriched their practical data collection skills, all of which are useful in the field of science.



STAGE ENSEMBLE

If any student missed out on the sign-up for the Stage Ensemble this year and plays any of these of the following instruments; saxophone, clarinet, trumpet, (or any brass instrument), bass guitar, cello, violin or flute, we would love to hear from you. Practices are Tuesday lunchtimes in the Auditorium. Please see Mrs Grant or email her on pam.grant@elim.school.nz or come along to observe next Tuesday. **Google classroom -1o02lo**

RHYTHM AND BLUES VOCAL ENSEMBLE

We welcome Ngaariki Muru as our new vocal tutor at the Senior Campus and he will be continuing the R & B Vocal Ensemble that started up last year. Any Y 10-13 student who is interested should see Mrs Grant or come to auditions in Room 7 Friday lunchtime from 1pm. Practices will start up next week on Fridays from 1-1.40pm. Watch the assembly power points. **Google classroom - 23999yz**

Volleyball

Congratulations to our superb volleyball team who have this week been competing in the Auckland Secondary School Championships. Games continue on to Saturday. The senior girls are then preparing for the upcoming National Championships in Palmerston North.



Swimming

Congratulations to Matthew Palmer & Ethan Pope who have been competing this week in the Div2 Swimming Nationals. Matt got 4th in the finals for the 50m freestyle (he just missed on the third medal by three hundredths of a second).

Matthew Palmer, Ethan Pope, Isabella Dunn & Maddie Donley will be competing in the Counties Manukau Swimming competition Tuesday next week. We are expecting some great results.

Athletics

Congratulations to all our athletes who competed in the Counties Manukau Athletics competition on Tuesday. Matthew Aucamp came 1st in 110m Hurdles, 2nd in High Jump & 2nd in Long Jump and will be going on to compete in Auckland Champs. Hope Bailey will also be joining him as she achieved 3rd place in High Jump. Congratulations to Timothy Price who came 3rd in his 100m Sprint Heat.



Reminder: Mufti Day and sausage sizzle on Thursday next week 16 March to raise funds for our Cultural Group.

Kind regards

Carol Pottow

Assistant Principal: Senior Campus

Dear Parents/Whanau,

What an amazing turn out for our Numeracy evening last Tuesday. Thank you so much for coming even though it was pouring with rain and blowing a gale! We are so blessed at Elim Christian College to have such dedicated teachers willing to make time to share tips and ideas for you to support your children in their learning at home. To this end, I want to acknowledge Mrs Zelda Vermeulen (Y3 Team Leader) who organised, prepared and presented such an incredible evening around Mathematics. I want to thank all the teachers who shared their favourite maths games that night and also Mrs Anita Gill for explaining how she put her maths kite together so her children could practise their maths skills at home. I hope you went away with some new insights and understandings about how you can make Mathematics as much fun as possible at home. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you want more information and remember the amazing website: <http://www.nzmaths.co.nz/>

The weather has been fairly crazy this week. Many of teachers who live in far away locales endured flooding, road closures, landslides and fallen trees in their quest to reach school on Wednesday morning! I hope your place is still intact with no severe weather related damage. Thank you for persevering to get your children to school on time even in such difficult circumstances.

Have a great weekend with more sun than rain and may God bless you and keep you and your family in the centre of His will.

Some reminders for notices to be sent into school:

ICAS registration forms. Closing Date: Friday 17th March

BYOD/Internet Agreement forms asap.

These notices can be found on our website. Click on 'Communications' and then 'Notices', print, fill in and hand in at the JC Office.

School banking will begin on Friday 17 March from 8:15am—8:45am.

Blessings

Angela Rees

Assistant Head JC



Thank you to everyone who participated during our Walking School Bus Week! We had lots of fun and lots of students walking, biking, scootering or taking the bus to school! What a great way to bless our neighbours with less cars on the road near our school! Some photos to show off our fun week:

AMI Be bright, be seen:



Funky Feet:



Whacky Wheels:

1 go-cart, 8 skateboards, 31 bikes and 158 scooters, not even counting the remote control cars or rollerskates.



Superhero Walker day:



Giant Walk:



2 Parents received coffee vouchers as a Thank you for joining our Giant Walk – 1 from St Columba and 1 from Bob Charles Reserve. The students wrote their names on a token and there were lots of Spot Prizes handed out at Monday morning assembly.

Congratulations to Room 3 for being the winning Travelwise Class for Term 1! Keep it up!

CALENDAR					
TERM 1: 7 FEBRUARY 2017—13 APRIL 2017					
MARCH					
Week 6	13	14	15	16	17
Senior Campus			⇒ Y12/13 RealTalk ⇒ Y13 English Activity All Day	⇒ Y13 PE Trip ⇒ SC Mufti Day (Cultural Group) ⇒ 6:30pm Israel Trip Meeting	⇒ Y13 PE Trip
			⇒ Y1 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y5-6 Swimming Lessons	⇒ Y2 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y3-4 Swimming Lessons	
Junior Campus					
Week 7	20	21	22	23	24
Senior Campus		⇒ DOE Silver Tramp	⇒ AUT Careers Assembly ⇒ DOE Silver Tramp	⇒ DOE Silver Tramp	⇒ DOE Silver Tramp
Junior Campus			⇒ Y1 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y5-6 Swimming Lessons	⇒ Y2 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y3-4 Swimming Lessons	
Week 8	27	28	29	30	31
Senior Campus	⇒ Volleyball Nationals ⇒ Y12/13 Art Trip ⇒ Y11 Geo Trip	⇒ Volleyball Nationals ⇒ Y12 OED Trip	⇒ Careers Assembly ⇒ Volleyball Nationals ⇒ Y12 OED Trip ⇒ Worship Camp	⇒ Volleyball Nationals ⇒ Y12 OED Trip ⇒ DOE Bronze ⇒ Worship Camp	⇒ DOE Bronze ⇒ WV Leadership Conference ⇒ Worship Camp ⇒ Y11-13 Interact Mystery Night
			⇒ Y1 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y5-6 Swimming Lessons	⇒ Y2 Swimming Lessons ⇒ Y3-4 Swimming Lessons	
Junior Campus					

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Term	Start date	End date
1	7 February 2017	13 April 2017
2	1 May 2017	7 July 2017
3	24 July 2017	29 September 2017
4	16 October 2017	14 December 2017