

Elim Christian College

NEWSLETTER

4 September 2017

Term 3 #6

From the Principal

Kia Ora everybody

This past week Elim Christian Centre hosted the World Vision Upper North Island Schools Awards evening and what a fabulous occasion it was. I just love it when as a school we get to partner with and bless other schools and organisations. World Vision really went out of their way to honour both schools and churches for their significant fundraising during the 40-hour famine. Now here's the most fantastic news of all.....yet again Elim Christian College has achieved 2nd for all of New Zealand, in fundraising over \$54,000. This is stunning and amazing, who knows, on a per capita basis we might even sneak into top spot! Congratulations to St Kentigern College for being first – they do an incredible work also for World Vision in Malawi on a long-term basis. One of our parents, Mark Robinson, is the St Kents Service Director and annually spearheads a strategic programme for World Vision. Interesting isn't it that annually two schools 5kms apart are first and second in New Zealand as World Vision centres of hope – exceptional.

Also on World Vision – the Botany Campus World Vision student leaders arranged for staff to offer incentives should the fundraising reach \$20k, then \$30k and so on. So far on stage we have seen a maths quiz in which the maths department had to eat 'foods' should they get the question wrong, Mr Johnstone in gumboots and swandri singing and playing guitar, Mrs Heim, Mrs Holmes, Mrs Pietersen and Mrs Strachan as the spice girls – a video created and a 'live' performance (available on Youtube) and just this last week we saw the amazing return of 'One Detention' in video and on stage featuring a cameo from Mr Hodgson, Mr Ling, Mr Briscoe, Mr Granat and Mr Foster – what assemblies!!!!



Mr Murray Burton MNZM
PRINCIPAL

ARISE PARENTS PRAYER UPDATE

A big **THANKYOU!** For keeping our school and families covered in prayer. We want His love, power and direction in everything that takes place. We need Him! We have been praying for the Sabeta family for some time now and have seen Dad make a miraculous recovery, having recently come out of a coma, praise God! Thank you to all those who stood by this family for their steadfast faith and support. It's always so encouraging to hear of God moving and working as a result of fervent prayers offered up in faith. We have also been privileged to pray for and support families in times of loss. A highlight recently was being involved in praying over all our Golflands Campus students during a Hosanna Week Assembly. So special being able to impart favour and blessing on every student, huge potential that is being developed in good soil!

Also, we welcome Kelsey Tay onto our Prayer Leaders team, she is going to be leading Monday mornings from mid September and Jiun Singh is going to start a Friday am Prayer Meeting.

You are very welcome to join any half hour morning prayer meeting @ Golflands Campus! Check the website under "Arise Parents" for more details.

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*¹¹ For I know the plans and thoughts that I have for you,' says the LORD, 'plans for peace and well-being and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. ¹² Then you will call on Me and you will come and pray to Me, and I will hear [your voice] and I will listen to you. ¹³ Then [with a deep longing] you will seek Me and require Me [as a vital necessity] and [you will] find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. **Jeremiah 29v11-13***



Y4 Gymnastics Team

Our Y4 Gymnastics team Anae Aish, Nevaeh Naeff, Jamee Lee Spurdle, Jenna Mae Burger and Camryn Delport



Y4 Gymnastics Team

Congratulations to our Y4 Gymnastics team for coming second in the HPPA Gymnastics Competition .



Y5 Gymnastics Team

Congratulations to our Y5 girls Gymnastics team for coming second in their year group In the HPPA Gymnastics Comp

Jenna Smit, Joline Smit, Abigail Persson, Holly Van Leeuwen



Congratulations to Jenna Smit for coming first in the HPPA Gymnastics Y5



Congratulations to Duncan Ramsey for coming fourth in the boys Y6 Gymnastics Competition

Our **Y13 Geography students** were away last week Wednesday to Friday in **Rotorua** researching and experiencing aspects of culture and tourism as part of assessment material. They had a great experience and have returned very inspired!

Y11 Economics students visited **Tip Top Icecream factory** on Wednesday as part of an internal assessment on production. The trip was very successful and students were a real credit to our school as they toured through the working site.



We had Constables Kevin and Stanley speak with our **Y12 Physics and Chemistry students** last week. It was an informative session around drugs and alcohol and the social impact. Students had the valuable opportunity to engage with the Constables and learn more around issues that may affect them as youth.

Thank you to students for their support of our Mufti Day last week which was held in support of our Worship Team.

Y10-12 students were advised to have returned their preferred subject option choices for 2018 last week. A reminder to those who have not yet submitted these.

Senior students have their **external practice examinations starting on Thursday this week**. These are to provide a benchmark for students to measure their progress and to use as tools for revision. Also in the unforeseen event of serious illness leading to a student unable to sit their final external examination, these results may be required for use as Derived Grades.

Information regarding the **NCEA external examinations, the examination timetable and resources** including past papers and marking schedules can be found on the NZQA website:

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/qualifications/ncea/ncea-exams-and-portfolios/external/external-examination-information-for-students/>

Please pray for our senior students as they manage their workloads and prepare for this intensive period of assessments and examinations over the next few weeks.

Kind regards

Mrs Carol Pottow

Assistant Principal: Botany Campus

Chinese Language and Culture Camp Report

The Chinese Language and Culture Camp (Sir Peter Blake Marine Education Centre) 華語文化營』活動流程表 last weekend was highly successful and finished well. On the second day, we had scheduled a movie in the evening but our senior students asked to use the opportunity to worship God. Our graduate students from Y13 in 2016, Isaac Proctor (Headboy 2016), Jaeden West, Chloe Wang and Javan Agutters, embraced the opportunity to bless our students with their amazing leadership and shared the Word of God with our younger ones (Miss Karen Lin).

		LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Thursday 7 September	9am – 12pm	History	Mathematics	Calculus
	1pm – 4pm		Chemistry	English
Friday 8 September	9am – 12pm	Science	Geography	Statistics
	1pm - 4pm			
Monday 11 September	9am – 12pm	Geography	English	Biology
	1pm – 4pm	Music	Accounting	Geography
Tuesday 12 September	9am – 12pm	English	Biology	History
	1pm – 4pm	Chinese	History	Physics
Wednesday 13 September	9am – 12pm	Mathematics	Physics	Chemistry
	1pm – 4pm		Music	Accounting
Thursday 14 September	9am – 12pm	Accounting	Economics	Economics
	1pm – 4pm			Music
Friday 15 September	9am – 12pm	Economics)	Chinese	Chinese
	1pm – 4pm			

NZTA Class 1 Driver Licence – NCEA credits

Students who gain their learner, restricted and full drivers licence can be awarded NCEA credits on their Record of Achievement through a 'recognition of prior learning' process.

- 2 credits for a learner licence
- 4 credits for a restricted licence
- 2 credits for a full licence
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Process for students:

Download and complete the [NZTA Class 1 Driver Licence – Recognition of Prior Learning \(PDF, 196KB\)](#) form and present it, along with your official photographic licence to Mrs Hooper in the school office.



Dear Parents / Caregivers / Whanau

Driving past the Golflands Campus on Friday morning just after 6am, you would have noticed a hive of activity around the staffroom area as staff got ready to prepare for the day – the much awaited Fathers' Day breakfast and assembly. Over 150 fathers, grandfathers and significant other males attended this celebration – an amazing turnout. Mr Burton reaffirmed our dads as the backbone of our society and Pastor Steve Green prayed for them. A massive THANK YOU to those who attended and to Mrs Vermeulen and Mrs Calvert and their teams for the organisation. It was a heart-warming feeling walking through the playground sensing the presence of so many dads on site. Fathers, God bless you, as you spend quality time with your families.

The Graham Braddock art workshops met our expectations again this year. Even our more 'active' boys fell under the lure of being able to draw. Students sat transfixed as Mr Braddock took them through the steps of drawing bees. We look forward to showcasing some of these later.

Parents, the following article was shared with me this week. What I initially wanted to do is summarise the main points to include in this week's article but it would have been at the risk of losing the essence. Please make some time to go through it at some point this week as it addresses the important question: *Why are our children so bored at school, cannot wait, get easily frustrated and have no real friends?*

<https://yourot.com/parenting-club/2016/5/16/why-our-children-are-so-bored-at-school-cant-wait-and-get-so-easily-frustrated>

Nga mihi nui

Ms Neetha Mudhan

Assistant Head: Golflands Campus

The righteous man walks in his integrity;
His children are blessed after him.

Proverbs 20:7 (New King James Version)



FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST AND ASSEMBLY '17



CALENDAR

TERM 3: 24 JULY 2017—29 SEPTEMBER 2017

SEPTEMBER

Week 7	4	5	6	7	8
Botany Campus				⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Secondary Schools Equestrian Cup
Golflands Campus				⇒ Y2 Trip to Botanical Gardens	
Week 8	11	12	13	14	15
Botany Campus	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Aims Games	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Aims Games	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Aims Games	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Aims Games	⇒ Y11—13 Practice Exams ⇒ Aims Games
Golflands Campus		⇒ HPPA Cross Country	⇒ Y0-1 Auckland Museum Trip		⇒ Champion of Champions Gymnastics
Week 9	18	19	20	21	22
Botany Campus	⇒ All Y12's RYDA conference	⇒ Y11 MCAT	⇒ DOE Silver Tramp	⇒ DOE Silver Tramp ⇒ Middle School Conference	⇒ DOE Silver Tramp ⇒ Middle School Conference
Golflands Campus		⇒ ACS Cross Country	⇒		⇒ Y1 Celebration Assembly

Term 4: 16 October 2017—14 December 2017

6 - 12 YEARS
MIDDLE YEARS
 BUILD A GREAT FAMILY
 TEAM AND HAVE FUN
 ALONG THE WAY



WHAT TO EXPECT

- 6 sessions per course
- Run in small groups
- Tailored to your needs
- Run by a trained facilitator
- Fun, practical and inspirational



TOPICS COVERED

- Parent types
- Building character and self-esteem
- Emotional resilience
- Discipline
- Creating traditions and memories
- Capitalising on the 'tween-age years'



COSTS

\$75 per person or \$110 per couple for each six week group. Need a subsidy? Just ask.

Toolbox courses are free to foster carers, whānau caregivers, adopters, and grandparents raising grandchildren thanks to government funding. Ask us how to train to become a Toolbox facilitator.

Elim Christian College Golfland Campus
 94 Golfland Drive, Botany

Wednesday's 18th October - 22nd November 2017
 Evening's 7pm-9pm

Contact Bridget Gundy on 021 02690618
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