

BOTANY CAMPUS

13 Feb 2026

DATES

Monday 23 Feb
ATHLETICS DAY

Thursday 19-21 Feb
BMAC LEADERSHIP
CAMP

Tuesday 24 Feb
ARISE PARENTS
GROUP RELAUNCH -
6PM

Tuesday 3 March
SWIMMING SPORTS
DAY

What a great start to 2026

We have had a fantastic start to 2026 with the addition of year 10, bringing a new energy and buzz to the campus. The students are enjoying the new grass areas and the refreshed classrooms. The new subjects (Psychology, Drama, Biblical studies and Hospitality) are all underway and students are excited in their learning.

This is an important time to help your child set themselves up for success this year. Please talk to them about getting involved in teams, clubs and other opportunities, as many of them are getting going this week and next. Ask them how their subject have started and how they are establishing good study practices from the start of the year that will serve them well in the future.

You will have received an email with a link to our [EOTC blanket consent form](#). This form asks for information that enables us to plan low-risk trips onsite and in our local environment, and saves multiple forms across the year. If your son or daughter drives to school, they will need to complete a [Vehicle Use agreement](#). Please make the completion of these a priority.

Finally, we are looking forward to our Athletics day on Monday 23 February. All students are expected to attend this event. You can find out all the details for this event [here](#).

NEW SPACES



Over the summer our property team has been hard at work creating new spaces for students to enjoy and new classrooms in which they can learn.

We know that students learn better and have better enjoyment of school when they enjoy the environment. We also know that students take better care of nice spaces and so significant resources have been invested to make this a place where students love to be!

We have 5 new classrooms, a new hospitality kitchen and new astroturfed green spaces that our students are already enjoying.



SPORTS TEAMS, COACHES AND MANAGERS

In 2026, we are continuing to grow our opportunities in sport. With the addition of year 10 to the senior campus, we will have lots of teams running almost every day of the week. Please encourage your son or daughter to sign up for the Schoology group for sports so that they receive notices about the various opportunities.

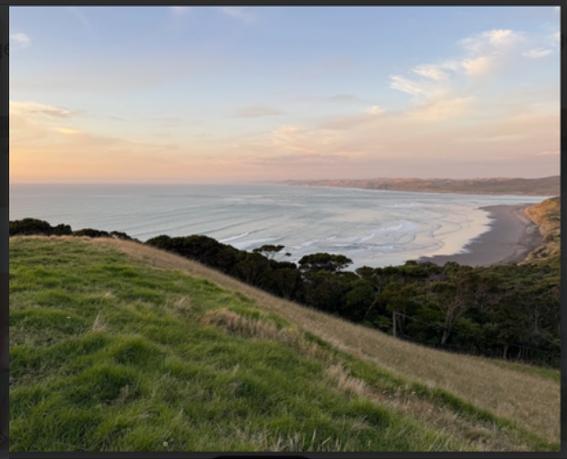
The popularity of sport at Elim means we are urgently looking for help from our parents, caregivers and the local community for coaches and managers for these teams. If we can't find help, then many of our teams won't be able to run in 2026. In particular, we are looking for coaches and managers (and drivers) for:

- Our Senior Premier Boys and Girls Football teams
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Netball

If you are able to help us, please email sport@elim.school.nz and let Kim Borthwick, our Sports Coordinator, know.



Our National runners up Basketball team from 2025 has donated a signed shirt for the gym



YEAR 10 CAMP 2026

Our Year 10 cohort have started off the year with a camp together at Camp Raglan. They had a great 3 days connecting together as a year group, meeting new friends and worshipping God in a beautiful setting. A huge THANK YOU to all of our parent helpers who helped make this camp a success. Here are a few of the highlights..

~ “My camp takeaway was about knowing my worth in Jesus.”

~ “My takeaway was spending time relaxing and connecting with others. This was actually helpful to get us ready for the year ahead.”

~ “My camp highlight was making new friends through all the activities.”

~ “I’m so grateful that I get teachers who care for and love me.”



Year 9 -13 Programmes

Term 1

Preseason and Trials

Basketball
Netball
Football
Badminton
Hockey
Table Tennis

Competition Season

Athletics
Swimming
Orienteering
Senior (11-13) 3x3 Basketball
Senior (11-13) Volleyball
Senior (11-13) Touch Rugby
Senior (11-13) Futsal

Summer Tournament Week -23-27 March
codes/teams to be determined

Term 2

Competition Season

Basketball
Netball
Football
Badminton
Hockey
Rugby
Table Tennis

School and Regional Cross Country

Term 3

Competition Season Continues

Basketball
Netball
Football
Hockey

Table Tennis
Badminton

Winter Tournament Week - 31 August - 4th Sep

Football
Netball
Basketball

Term 4

Year 9 and 10 Sports

Volleyball
Futsal
Touch Rugby
3x3 Basketball

Preseason training for 2027 Senior Volleyball
begins at the end of term 4

We also offer opportunities in the following codes

Rugby
Cricket
Orienteering
Athletics
Swimming
Skateboarding
Snow Sports
Gym Sports
Mountain Biking
Climbing
Track and Road Cycling
Distance Running
Auckland Christian School tournament
Hamilton/Kingsway Sports Exchange
and others...

We are looking for Coaches, Managers, Referees, Umpires and Transporters

All of our sporting codes rely on the support of coaches and mentors from the community. Some teams may not run without parental support. If you are interested in being part of our programme please contact sports@elim.school.nz.
All volunteers must have a current police vet check

We love volunteers in all codes and at all levels!

Kotahitanga Award

Every week we focus on what it means to exemplify one of our school learning behaviours. Teachers look for students displaying the selected behaviour throughout the week and nominate them for a prize draw held during our Friday assembly.

Week 2

We show *Maia*, we have **Courage**

The following students were recognised for displaying one of these values and were nominated for this award:

Nominees:

Portia Bethwaite, Joshua Robertson, Serein Liu, Lyle Jacobs, Asha Dunn, Trelise Boon, Taylin Coetzee

WINNER:

Taylin Coetzee

“For taking responsibility for Gateway commitments and considering how you connect this with other areas of learning.”

AWARDS CHOSEN:

Chocolate