

20 February 2020

Dear Parents/Whānau/Caregivers of Year 7 and 8 students

'Attitude' Presentations in Term One

We hope that the start of the school year has been a positive experience for your child, and that they have found a sense of belonging here at Elim Christian College.

This term the Year 7s and 8s are extremely blessed to have presentations and workshops with the Parenting Place 'Attitude' team. These presentations and workshops are around puberty, the social challenges and emotional changes at this stage of your child's development. Please see below for the details of any upcoming events that relate to you.

| EVENT | DETAILS | INFORMATION |
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| Year 7 Parent Puberty Evening (Both the parent & student to attend) | Date: Tuesday 10th March Time: 7pm-8pm Venue: Golflands Campus Gym | A dynamic presentation on how to approach the difficult conversations around puberty at home with your child. It covers the physical, emotional and social changes to expect at this stage of adolescence. |
| Year 8 'Tackling Technology' | Date: Tuesday 25th February Time: During school hours Venue: Golflands Campus | In a generation where Wi-Fi connection matters more than human connection, these students learn all about how to tackle technology well. This is an extremely relatable in-class presentation and follow-up workshop for Y8 students. The content covers issues such as online safety, cyber bullying and social media. |

We believe parents are the primary educators of their children, so we strongly encourage you to continue these conversations at home after any of the above sessions. As we work together to support our young people in navigating this challenging phase in their lives, our hope is that they feel safe enough to have these 'tough' conversations with trusted adults in their world. We look forward to partnering with you on this journey! Please contact me on <u>chermayne.gibson@elim.school.nz</u> you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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