

BOTANY CAMPUS

Friday 17 March

Term 1 : Week 7

STEPHEN BRISCOE - DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (SENIOR YEARS)

On Wednesday evening we hosted the NCEA Information Evening. It was great to have this opportunity to overview NCEA, especially for our Year 10 and Year 11 families. You can view a recording of this presentation [here](#):

[NCEA Information Evening recording](#).

We look forward to our Parent-Teacher-Student conferences coming up on Thursday 30 March, and Tuesday 4 April. We do provide an online option (Thursday) and an onsite option (Tuesday) to enable connection to occur while reducing barriers such as travel and work commitments. I do hope that you can connect with each of your child's subject teachers during this time. Developing a whānau-school partnership will provide the best opportunity for individual success this academic year, and we look forward to working with you.

Abigail Neumann (Year 12), has responded to a call from Radio Rhema to help the devastated Hawkes Bay region. They are in need of practical items such as spades, gumboots, and working gloves. If you have spare items that could be donated, please drop them off at school and Abigail will ensure they reach those in need. Thank you for your willingness to help Abigail!

There are many opportunities that students can get involved in throughout the week, enjoy just a few snippets of what's been happening around Botany Campus lately.

DATES

TUESDAY 28 MARCH

MUFTI DAY:
STUDENT EVENTS

THURSDAY 30 MARCH

PARENT-TEACHER-
STUDENT CONFERENCES -
ONLINE
(2:00PM - 4:30PM)

TUESDAY 4 APRIL

PARENT-TEACHER-
STUDENT CONFERENCES -
ONSITE
(3:30PM - 6:00PM)

THURSDAY 6 APRIL

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

FRIDAY 7 APRIL

GOOD FRIDAY

HOSANNA TEAM

Student Hosanna Leaders

The Hosanna team organized a Q & A panel for all Yr 11s this week. The panel hosted Daniel Owen (Botany Church Campus Worship Pastor), Hayley Lafaele (Principal of Elim Ministry Training College), Mr Michael Mackenzie and Mr Daniel Charman. Some of the questions that were covered were:

- What are you supposed to do in a season of doubt? How can we find it within ourselves to trust God with his plan for us?
- What are some practical ways to listen in and hear from God?
- How should I read my bible? Where should I start?
- Was there a specific moment or story in your life that made God real to you?
- Was there any evidence outside of church or scripture that led you to believe in Christ?
- How can I be a good ambassador for Christ even when the people around me don't want to be?

This year the Hosanna team is working hard to provide more opportunities for their peers to authentically engage with their faith.



CHRISTIAN LIVING

Mr Granat (HOLA)

Following on from the Hosanna panel. The year 11s had an interactive lesson with the church on how to read the Bible. Zac Harris and Dexter Cheng shared the SOAP bible study method.

It's fantastic to see the school and the church connection deepen around our special character this term.

BOTANY CAMPUS RECEPTION

A special acknowledgement needs to be made to our fantastic reception team: Mrs Briana Voykovich (left) and Mrs Alicia Hooper (right). You will probably be in contact with these two ladies when you phone or email. They are incredibly good at ensuring this campus functions well, helping to manage the many moving parts of a school - we thank you!



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr Granat (Yr 12 PE Teacher)

Year 12 PE students are working on their 2.8 Internal assessment, focusing on interpersonal skills. They all had an opportunity to use the memorial rock climbing wall and challenge each other to function outside of their comfort zone. We also took time to reflect on and unpack the scriptures that are associated with each climb.



SPORT

Student Sport Council

We have some up and coming basketball talent at Elim Christian College. The students listed below were busy over the summer holidays training for upcoming tournaments. They have been selected to represent the following teams.

Hannah Dunn

U19 Auckland Māori netball (tournament coming in Easter)

U19 Auckland Māori Basketball (nationals were end of Jan in Rotorua)

U19 Counties Manukau Basketball (nationals in Christchurch later in the year)

Neorah Chandra

U19 Counties Manukau Basketball (nationals in Christchurch later in the year)

Isaiah Dunn

U17 Franklin Basketball

Bulls Junior Development group

Isaiah has been identified as a “future Bulls player” which is very exciting for him.

Gabriel Narayan

U17 Franklin Basketball

Kotahitanga Award

Every week we focus on what it means to exemplify one of our school values. Throughout the week teachers look for students displaying the selected value and nominate them for a prize draw made during our Friday assemblies.

Week 6 focus:

We are **KIND**, We show **AROHA**

The following students were recognised for displaying this value and nominated for this award:

Shalom Kim
Jenna Smit
Madison de Jager
Celia Rutkowski

WINNER: Bobby-Jean Russ

for

"Showing loyalty to the run club even when it means cycling 14Km in the dark, and, for showing love to a Golflands Campus student"

AWARD CHOSEN: Staff Morning Tea