

# BOTANY CAMPUS

Friday 28 April

## Term 2 : Week 1

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Welcome to Term 2.

The team who travelled to Taiwan returned on Wednesday morning. It was great to see a group travelling overseas again after being grounded over the last few years. It was a fantastic trip led by Mrs Liu along with me. This was a cultural and language experience, but everyone gained so much more.

I want to thank Mrs Liu. You provided an opportunity for each person to grow and discover who they are in Him throughout the journey. You passionately shared and allowed every team member to learn about the culture, the language, the people, the food and the land. The range of activities was superb and action-packed.

We acknowledge and appreciate the many many hours that go into organising an overseas experience for a school group.

Student reflections and photos are to come in the next newsletter.

We are proud to have 5 of our 2022 scholarship art portfolios on display at the Te Tuhu Gallery in Pakuranga. The work of Chloe Hurst, Kayla Hallows, Erin-Leigh Pye, Caitlin Diprose and Harper Bilby will all be showcased for the next 10 days.

## DATES

**MONDAY 5 JUNE**

KINGS BIRTHDAY -  
SCHOOL CLOSED

**TUESDAY 6 JUNE**

TEACHER ONLY DAY -  
SCHOOL CLOSED

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE**

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

**MONDAY 26 JUNE**

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

**FRIDAY 30 JUNE**

TERM 2 ENDS

## SPORT

### Student Sport Council

Elim sent two teams to the 3x3 Basketball Nationals tournament this year - a girl's team in the Open Grade, and a combined Botany Campus / Mount Albert boys team in the Elite grade.

The team members were:

Open Girls - Hannah Dunn, Alena Elmore, Anouk Ferreira, Jade Hunter  
Coach: Mrs Vania Dunn

Elite Boys - Joel Sagala, Daniel Winstone, Theo Burgess (MAC); Isaiah Dunn, Josh Preiss (BC)  
Coach: Mr Reuben Dunn, Manager: Mr Cato

Both teams played extremely well in a very tough tournament. The girls won three games in their pool, followed by two playoff wins, to finish 12th in the Open grade. The boys struggled in their highly competitive grade and were only able to win their last game against Kelston Boys High School. However, they won all three playoff matches to finish 25th overall in the national Elite tournament.





## MUSIC

Mr Nate Collings (HOLA Music)

In the last week of Term 1, the Music Department took both the 2000 BC combo (Botany Campus) and The Big MAC combo (Mt. Albert Campus) to the Tauranga National Youth Jazz Competition. Over two days the students got to watch jazz combos and big bands from all around the country and perform in the Baycourt Theatre and outside on one of the waterfront stages.

The Big MAC combo received a bronze award, The 2000 BC combo received a silver award, and Isaac Aish was awarded the most outstanding keyboardist at the competition. This was our first time entering and the students performed outstandingly. We will be back again next year.



# 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 1 focus:

We are **COURAGEOUS**, We show **MĀIA**

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

Chloe Lee  
Stone Nie  
Rebecca Ren  
Kathy Xu  
Johan Els

**WINNER: Jonathan Lee**

for

"Showing courage to learn a language that is not your own first language"

**AWARD CHOSEN:** Chocolate