Elim Christian College

Monday 5th October 2026

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE GOLFLANDS MIDDLE YEARS (Y7-9) ATHLETICS DAY

We are pleased to inform you that our annual Middle Years Athletics Day is scheduled for Tuesday 20th October 2026. Please note, this is a compulsory day for all students in Year 7 - Year 9.

Event: Elim Golflands Middle Years Athletics Day
Venue: Pakuranga Athletics Club, Lloyd Elsmore Park
(Use entrances off either Cascades Road or Bells Road)
Date: Tuesday 20th October 2026
Time: 8.00am - 2.45pm
In the event of a postponement an email will be sent home and a notice posted on schoology by 7.15am.

Results will be recorded to ensure that we can enter those who qualify to compete in the Y7-8 SEZ Athletics Championships in Term 4 and Y9-13 Auckland Athletics Championships in Term 1. All participants also earn points for their whanau. Students will be contacted following our school Athletics Day should they qualify for an event.

ARRIVAL

All students must arrive directly to Pakuranga Athletics Club, Lloyd Elsmore, **no later than 8:40am. DO NOT come directly to school.** The day is scheduled to finish around 2:45pm. We would appreciate as many students as possible being collected from Lloyd Elsmore Park.

If your child signs up to compete in an optional track event/s (1500m or 200m) please arrive by 8.00am to warm up. The first event (1500m) will begin at 8.15am, followed by 200m.

Bus Students: If your child catches the bus or can not be dropped directly to Pakuranga Athletics Club by 8.40am; there will be school vans to help transport students to Lloyd Elsmore. Students are to please wait outside the Golflands Campus hall, should they require transport.

DEPARTURE

The day is scheduled to finish at 2.45pm. There will be a roll call taken at the end of the day. **We ask that students do not leave or be picked up from the venue before 2.45pm unless arranged prior to the event.** Students are to be picked up from Pakuranga Athletics Club between 2.45pm - 3.00pm.

If you do require to collect your child before the roll has been taken in the afternoon, your child MUST sign out with a staff member, at the announcers table.

Bus Students: Students who catch the bus home will be shuttled back to school from Lloyd Elsmore, in time for the 3.00pm bus pick up.

WHAT TO BRING / WEAR:

- **DRESS IN WHANAU COLOURS** – The more the better!
- Wear appropriate sporting clothing and running shoes.
- **Shoes must be worn on the track to prevent injury.**
- Morning tea, Lunch and plenty of snacks.
- Hat, Sunscreen + LOTS OF WATER
- A warm jacket to wear between events

HOW THE DAY WILL RUN (see programme)

Optional events - 1500M, 200M, 800M and 400M
The 1500M and 200M will be run in the morning. If participating in these events, please arrive by 8.00am as the first race (1500m) will start at 8.15am.
The 800M and 400M will be run between events throughout the day - see schedule.

For the effective running of the day, we ask that students pre-register. The link can be found on schoology for students to complete, or please use the link below.
Optional Track Events Registration

All students are expected to participate in the following events (Shot Put, Discus, High Jump, Long Jump and 100m Sprint) and will rotate around in their year groups for these events.

As this is a compulsory school day, students must provide a signed note from a parent/caregiver if they are unable to participate on the day. If your child will be absent on the day, please fill in the absence form as usual: https://www.elim.school.nz/absence_form/

PARENTAL ASSISTANCE
We require parental assistance with the running of the events, to make this day a success. If you are available to help for the day, please advise using the link below – thank you in advance! Parents/caregivers are also welcome to attend this event as supporters.

Please Note: *The school operates on MOE best practice. All volunteers are required to hold a current police clearance. If you are unsure of your current police vetting status, please check with the school office.*

Parental Assistance Registration Form

Looking forward to a great day!

Yours sincerely

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