

Friday 13th February 2026

Dear Parent / Caregiver

Elim Christian College Swimming Sports (Year 5-13)

We are excited to offer the opportunity to our Year 5 - 13 students to participate in our Elim Christian College Swimming Sports! This will be held on **Tuesday 3rd March at Lloyd Elsmore Swimming Pools**.

This is an optional event for students.

Venue: Lloyd Elsmore Swimming Pools - Sir Lloyd Drive, Pakuranga

Date: Tuesday 3rd March 2026

Time: 9.30am – 2.00pm (A schedule will be emailed separately)

To bring: Morning tea, lunch, water, swimming gear (togs, cap and towel), School Uniform

We will be running both competitive and non competitive races. (Students may enter both). All students will earn whanau points to go towards the overall whanau competition on the day.

Please note: For students safety they need to be both confident and competent in the water as they will not be able to touch the bottom in the deep end of the pool (where the races start).

Please ensure your child is able to swim the below required distances (without stopping).

- **Year 5 - 6 All races:** Students must be able to **competently swim a minimum of one full length of the 25m lap pool without stopping.**
- **Year 7-13 Competitive Races:** Students must be able to **competently swim a minimum of two full lengths of the 25m lap pool.**
- **Year 7-13 Non Competitive Races:** Students must be able to **competently swim a minimum of one full length of the 25m lap pool without stopping.**

All Competitive races will be timed to ensure that we can enter our top swimmers into the inter school zone events.

- Year 5 and 6 students: HPPA Swimming Championships - 25th March
- Year 7 and Year 8 students: South Eastern Zone Swimming Championships - 24th March
- Year 9 to Year 13 students: Counties Manukau Zone Swimming Championships - 20th May

TRANSPORT:

Due to the later start of the day, transport will be provided to and from the Lloyd Elsmore Swimming Pools. However, if you are available to transport your child directly to the pools, this would be very helpful. **Students must arrive no earlier than 9.30am.** There will be NO supervision of the students at the pools before 9:30am.

Students will be taken back to school after the event by school vans and parent/caregiver transport. Should you wish to collect your child directly from the venue after the event, please sign them out with Mrs Borthwick prior to departure.

Please indicate if your child requires transport to and from the venue on the online permission form, using the link below.

PARENTAL/CAREGIVER ASSISTANCE:

We require parent/caregiver assistance with transport and duties to help with the running of the day . If you are available to help, please indicate this on the online permission form using the link below. *(Due to safety requirements, parents/caregivers with toddlers attending are not permitted to supervise).*

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.

Parents/Caregivers: Please sign your child up **online** by **Friday 20th February 2026** by using this web address:

[Elim Swimming Sports Registration 2026](#)

Should you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to email me.

Yours sincerely

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