

18th July 2023

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

Welcome back to Term 3! We trust you and your family had a wonderful holiday break and are ready for a new term. Our theme for term 3 is 'God calls us to serve'. We will be focusing on how the early church began and how we can serve others in our community and family. Our Inquiry focus is the Living World and we will be learning about the vital roles insects play in our New Zealand back garden and keeping our environment working.

Auckland Botanical Gardens Trip

The Year 3 team will be heading to the Auckland Botanical Gardens to begin our term 3 Inquiry, allowing hands-on experiences with microscopes and magnifiers as our children get up close and personal with the creepy crawlies that inhabit our New Zealand bush and gardens.

We will be requiring parent help for this trip, please ensure you have a current police vet with the school office before offering to help.

Date: Thursday 27th July 2023

Depart: 9:00am

Return: 2:30pm

Transport: Bus

Cost: \$15

Location: Auckland Botanical Gardens

Students will need to come dressed in full school uniform and bring a packed lunch, drink bottle and a rain jacket. No money to buy food or items at the gift store is permitted.

Please ensure you view the dates and events that will be happening throughout this term.

Please read the start-of-school information from our Principal, Mr Burton:

<https://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/Principals-Update-19-June-2023.pdf>

The teachers in Year 3 Superheroes team are:

Mrs Lauren Wade | Room 1 – Team Leader and Pastoral Teacher

Mr Wesley Govender | Room 2 - Pastoral Teacher

This term, our school wide focus is:

- Biblical Theme – God calls us to serve.

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this that he lay down his life for his friends. John 15:12-13

- Elim Exploration – Community/Service
- Science Focus: Living World
- Literacy focus - Reading & Narrative Writing
- Numeracy focus - Fractions & Ratios, Geometry & Position/Orientation
- *Vision – Our vision is for young people who will be : actively participating in our local community
- *Principles – Community Engagement and Inclusion
- *Values – to value: Pukuahuwhenua - Diligence

HOMEWORK:

Every Friday, students will receive a new homework sheet for the following week. We will check on how your child is tracking with their home learning during the week. Homework will include number facts, spelling, scripture conversations and reading. Please include the reading book's title in the appropriate space and sign your child's homework book every day. Refer to your child's homework book for more information. At the beginning of each term, please ensure your child's information is up to date. Please send any changes in medical information/address/phone number, etc. to: gadmin@elim.school.nz

UNIFORM: All items of school uniform may be worn as appropriate to the weather conditions. Refer to the school website for requirements - <https://www.elim.school.nz/uniform/>. Please ensure that all items are **clearly named**.

Please note:

- Long-sleeved polo shirts/regulation track pants may be worn in Terms 2/3.
- **PE uniform:** Regulation P.E. uniform shirt and shorts is compulsory for all Year 5 and 6 students, and for all *Year 4 students who are representing the school in a sports team*.

STUDENT HANDBOOK: This can be located on our website for easy reference: [Student Handbook](#)

APPS TO DOWNLOAD FOR THIS TERM: If you have not as yet downloaded the Apps from the list below on your child's device, it would be appreciated if this is done for this term to facilitate learning. Years 1 -3: please feel free to download these Apps on your home devices.

WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION: Please note that:

- All students are required to take their morning-tea and lunch wrappers, uneaten food, etc. home with them. They cannot dispose of it at school.
- All containers/wrappers from our lunch providers (Subway, U-Sushi and Pita Pit) **must** be taken home to be disposed of. The bins at school cannot accommodate this volume of rubbish.
- The recycling bins at Golflands Campus have little provision for landfill items and food scraps.

Together with the above deliberate measures to reduce waste, increase recycling and improve sustainability, we would also like to strongly encourage all our parents to pack lunches in reusable containers and to buy in bulk.

AFTER-SCHOOL CARE ON OUR SCHOOL SITE: Elim Kelly Club -

Kelly Club is a Year 0-8 After-School Care and Holiday Programme that operates out of our school hall from 3 pm – 6 pm, and from 8 am to 6 pm respectively. Cassidy has joined the team as the Programme Coordinator, she is super excited to join the Kelly Club Elim team and meet you and your wonderful children. We know Cassidy is going to be the best fit for the Kelly Club Elim team with her passion for kids and their health and safety being front of mind at all times. Cassidy's experience of working with kids and young people will be invaluable to lead our excellent and quality Kelly Club Elim Programme.

We want to let parents and caregivers know that:

- Kelly Club shares their revenue with our school to benefit our learning community.
- Programmes are approved by the Ministry of Social Development.

- WINZ subsidies can be accessed for eligible parents/caregivers - From 1 April 2023 more people will be eligible and hourly rates will increase, find out more at <https://workandincome.govt.nz/about-work-and-income/news/2023/childcare-assistance-available-to-more-people.html>.

Some of the advantages are:

- There is a good balance of activities which also allows students to get their Home Learning done at a certain time.
- Afternoon tea and snacks are also provided.
- You do not have to rush to school to pick up your child/children in peak-hour traffic at 3pm. They are still on the school grounds.

Please ensure all of your bookings are up to date for this term so that we can plan accordingly for safety ratios. You can edit your bookings online at www.kellyclub.co.nz/elim.

Cancellations:

The online booking system allows you to make changes to your booking until 6pm the night before. To avoid being charged for a session, please contact us by phone, 021156 6256 or email, elim@kellyclub.co.nz before 6pm the night before.

SCRIPTURE UNDERSTANDING AND APPLICATION: We want to celebrate how students apply the Word of God in their lives. Students will have two larger passages of scripture to understand and apply each term. These verses relate to our Kotahitanga value for the term, with a hope to integrate character and scripture. On the homework sheet each week, there will be a copy of the scripture focus and discussion prompts for families to use at home. This is to help continue the conversation of scripture at home and deepen students' understanding and application of the verse. During the term, students will be asked to demonstrate their understanding and application of the scripture and will be able to choose a way to do this. It may be through memorisation and explanation orally, through journaling, drama, song, art work or a recorded presentation.

CULTURAL DAY: as part of our Biblical theme God wants us to serve. We want to serve and celebrate all the different cultures in our school. Our special cultural day will be on Wednesday, 6th September 2023.

As part of the celebration we would like our students to experience different cultural activities run by Parents throughout the week during lunch times.

Some of these activities may include:

- learning a cultural dance or song
- doing a cultural craft
- learning some basic greetings / words in another language
- hearing about some cultural traditions
- viewing and learning about traditional cultural items or
- learning and playing a new cultural game.

We are blessed to have many students from different cultures as part of our school. In order for this week to be authentic and a success, we need Parents and/or extended family members to come along to school to share their culture and skills with our students.

If you are able to help us out for a few hours during the week 4th September - 8th September, we would be grateful.

Please email Mrs Groenewald (brieta.groenewald@elim.school.nz) by Friday, 18th August if you are able to assist in any way.

ELIM PACIFIC PARENTS FONO: Tālofa Lava, Kia Orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō e lelei, Bula Vinaka

Mr Burton & the Junior Years Leadership Team warmly invite you to join us for our first Junior Years Fono in the Staffroom on Thursday, 17 August at 6.30 - 8pm. Invitations and more information will be sent out.

Notices: To keep you up to date, Parents please refer to our school website where you can check notices and our current school calendar. If you are not receiving these notifications, please contact the Golflands Campus.

The following dates and activities may be helpful to know for Year 3:

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
Week 1 Monday, 17th July		FIRST DAY OF TERM 3	
Week 1 Friday, 21st July		RUN4BIBLES	
Week 2 Thursday, 27th July		YEAR 3 AUCKLAND BOTANICAL GARDENS TRIP	
Week 2 Friday, 28th July	2pm - 3pm	NED'S Mindset Mission Visit	GC HALL
Week 3 Thursday, 3rd August	1pm - 3pm	STRIKE PERFORMANCE (OPT IN)	GC HALL
Week 3 Friday, 4th August		MUFTI DAY	
Week 4 Monday, 7th August	8:50 am - 9:30 am	HOSANNA PRAYER AND WORSHIP <i>(All families invited)</i>	
Week 4 7th - 11th August		HOSANNA WEEK <i>(Year 2 and 3 leading)</i>	
Week 4 Thursday, 10th August		TEACHER ONLY DAY	
Week 5 Thursday, 17th August	6.30pm - 8pm	FONO EVENING	GC STAFFROOM
Week 5 14th - 18th August		TRAVELWISE WEEK	
Week 5 Friday, 18th August	2pm - 3pm	Junior Years Assembly <i>(Year 4 leading)</i>	GC HALL
Week 7 Friday, 1st September	8:50 am - 9:50 am	FATHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY <i>(Year 0-1 and 5-6 leading)</i>	GC HALL
Week 8 Wednesday 6th September		CULTURAL DAY <i>Samoan, NZ sign language, Cook Islands, Tongan, Māori, Chinese, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Fijian, Niuean, Tokelauan, Rotuman</i>	
Week 8 Friday, 8th September	5pm - 7pm	DISCO	GC HALL
Week 9 11th - 15th September		BOOK WEEK	
Week 9 Friday, 15th September	9:30am	BOOK PARADE	GC HALL
Week 10 Wednesday, 20th September		MUFTI DAY	
Week 10 Friday, 22nd September		WINNING HOUSE FREE MUFTI DAY	

Week 10 Friday, 22nd September		LAST DAY OF TERM	
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Please complete this online term permission form by Friday, 21st July 2023.

<https://forms.gle/yyXoNKGmVeqPZ5xK9>

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE SIGNED THE FORM BELOW IF YOU DID NOT DO SO IN TERM 1:

EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM (EOTC) BLANKET CONSENT FORM:

<https://forms.gle/8ZsueccMrWg1EWne8>

We have an open-door policy with regard to communicating with teachers. Please be in touch if there is an issue you want to discuss or seek clarification on. We are looking forward to another exciting term of learning.

Yours sincerely

Year 3 Teachers:

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Mr Wesley Govender

Room 2 Pastoral Care Teacher

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The New Zealand Curriculum:

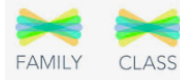


* *Vision*: Our vision is for young people who will be confident, connected, actively involved, and lifelong learners.

* *Principles*: The New Zealand Curriculum principles embody beliefs about what is important in school curriculum - nationally and locally. They should underpin all school decision making.

* *Values*: Values are deeply held beliefs about what is important or desirable. They are expressed through the ways in which people think and act.

Apps to download (Yr 3)

If you require a colour copy, or for any other queries regarding apps,
please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher

	Free Apps to download	
SEESAW Class SEESAW Family	Seesaw is a student-driven digital portfolio that inspires your students to do their best.	
Math Slide: Addition and Subtraction	1-4 player interactive Maths learning App	
Math Slide: Multiplication and Division	1-4 player interactive Maths learning App	
Epic!	Online Library	