



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS JUNIOR YEARS

Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

Welcome back, students and parents, to another exciting term at Elim Christian College! We hope you all had a restful holiday, filled with God's blessings and quality time with loved ones. It was wonderful to see so many bright, eager faces returning to our classrooms this week, and we're looking forward to a term packed with learning, growth, and fellowship.

Thank you to our Parent community who attended our Student - Parent - Teacher conferences, we loved sharing our students' progress and successes with you.

A few things to remember:

Permission slips for Term 3

Permission slips for Term 3 have been emailed out this week, please fill these in as soon as possible as there are a few year levels going on trips and we need the information to finalise the planning of these trips.

Applications for the 2026 school year

Applications for the 2026 school year are currently open, with guaranteed processing closing on 31 July 2025.

If you have other children and have not yet submitted applications, it is highly recommended to do so before this cut-off date to ensure their applications are processed.

Please contact enrolments@elim.school.nz for any queries.

ARISE Parents in Prayer

If you are able, we extend a warm invite to join our ARISE Parents in Prayer, please make contact or just show up. Please see page 6 for more information. This is an integral part of our Parent community and our school appreciate your prayers.

Lessons from Colossians 3:17, 23, and 24. These verses remind us that in everything we do, whether it's our schoolwork, helping at home, or playing with friends, we can do it all as if we are working for the Lord. Let's strive to do our best with happy hearts, knowing that we are serving Him and that He will bless our efforts. Have a fantastic rest of the week everyone!

Ngā mihi nui
Mrs Brieta Groenewald
Deputy Principal
(Golflands Campus Junior Years)

TERM 3 UPCOMING EVENTS

Run4Bibles Cross Country - Y4-6

Tuesday, 22 July from 9:30am

Save day: Thursday, 24 July



Year 0-1 - Butterfly Creek Trip



Friday, 25 July

Run4Bibles Cross Country - Y0-3

Tuesday, 29 July from 8:45am

Save day: Thursday, 31 July

Celebration Assembly led by Year 4 - 6

Friday, 1 August

Hosanna Week

Monday, 4 August - Thursday, 7 August

Ministry Provided Teacher Development Day (Year 1 - 8)

Friday, 8 August

(School closed for Year 1 - 8)



Year 2 - Kelly Tarltons Trip



Thursday, 14 August

Travelwise Week

Monday, 11 August - Friday, 15 August

Year 4 - Auckland Zoo Trip



Wednesday, 20 August



Celebration Assembly led by Year 0 - 3

Friday, 22 August

Cultural Celebration Day

Thursday, 28 August

CULTURAL CELEBRATION DAY - THURSDAY, 28 AUGUST 2025

We want to celebrate all the different cultures in our school. Our special cultural day will be on Thursday, 28th August 2025. 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 25th – 28th August we would be grateful. Please email Mrs Groenewald (brieta.groenewald@elim.school.nz) by Friday, 8th August if you are able to assist in any way. Keeping in mind all Parent helpers needs to be Police vetted.

LANGUAGE WEEKS IN TERM 3:

These languages are being celebrated during Term 3 and 4, however our Cultural Week will be held in Week 7 of Term 3.

Cook Islands Language Week: 3 August – 9 August

Tongan Language Week: 17 August – 23 August

New Zealand Chinese Language Week: 31 August – 6 September

Māori Language Week: 15 – 21 September

Fijian Language Week: 5 October – 11 October

Niue Language Week: 19 October – 25 October

We wish to celebrate the diverse make up of our school community as we did in Term 1; with a fun day filled with learning.



ELIM JUNIOR YEARS SPORT - RUN4BIBLES CROSS COUNTRY

RUN4BIBLES is a fundraising programme for kids, organised by Bible League International to place Bibles in South Africa.

Our RUN4BIBLES events will be held over two days:

Year 4-6, Tuesday the 22nd of July at Corta Belle Reserve, 9:30am starting time

Year 0-3, Tuesday 29th July at Elim Christian College Golflands Campus on the field, 8:50am.

Every student is encouraged to sign up online to collect sponsors. Each \$7 raised goes towards a Bible-less Christian in South Africa. Please encourage your child to collect their sponsors and train for our RUN4BIBLES event. We will not be taking cash donations so please ensure donations are made online. The following link has been created for the students to sign up and gather sponsors online, this will make collecting sponsors and donations easier.

Click here for the [Sign up link to join the Elim fundraiser](#)



FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT AND FINISHING THE RACE!

Since 2009, and with the support of thousands of students across Australia and New Zealand, we have seen more than 340,000 students in South African public schools receive the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Many of these students are individuals with their own history of pain, rejection and hurt. Nomblemu's mother is a member of the occult. When she discovered a Bible in Nomblemu's schoolbag she tore the Bible in pieces, burnt it, doused it in water and threw it in the trash. Nell was abandoned by her parents and only saved from an orphanage by being taken in by a lady in their small community. Though the lady acted in love, this lady's son abused Nell and made her feel worthless. Irene felt so helpless and alone that she nearly took her own life. Steven was abandoned by his father at a young age and left alone with his mother, they felt like foreigners in their own village and were treated as outcasts.

Now let's share the impact that Run4Bibles has had on public school communities in **South Africa**. As God's Word is taken into these schools and students are taught of the God who created them, who loves them and has a plan and purpose for them, their lives are transformed. These students are inspired to be a positive influence in their schools, with



their friends and in their families. Many of these students have brought other family members to faith and still others have used the resources they learned from to begin outreach in their wider communities. Students in **South African** public schools are so desperate to read the Bible that one of our Coordinators in the school told us a story of how a student had 'stolen' a Bible from her classroom! These students have heard and responded to the call and can say: "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have served the Lord faithfully". 2 Tim 4:7 ERV

HOW?

Run4Bibles is designed to easily attach to any event your school is already running. This could be your Cross Country, athletics or swimming carnival, read-a-thon or any other event you are engaged in. This initiative encourages students to respond to participate and "fight the good fight to finish the race".

WHY SOUTH AFRICA?

In 2009 God opened a door for Bible League to get Bibles back into public schools. We were able to minister directly to these students, to speak into their situations, to open up possibilities in their future they may have never seen before and invite them into the life that God destined them to live.





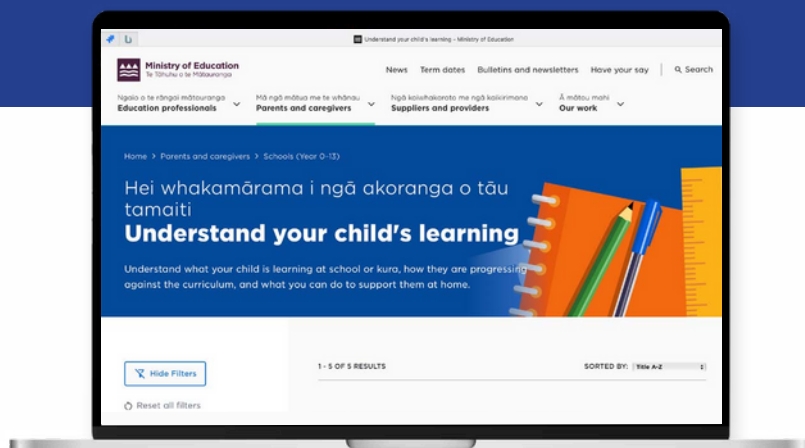
Understand your child's learning

Information and resources for parents, caregivers and whānau

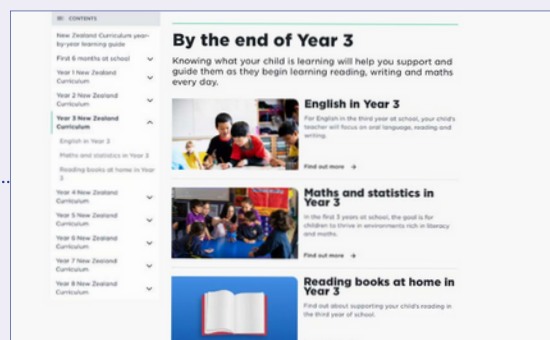
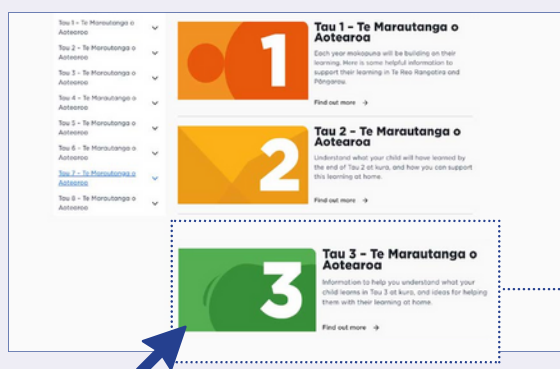
A new webspace on [education.govt.nz](https://www.education.govt.nz) houses practical videos, activities and resources for supporting learning that are easy to understand, empowering you to take an active role in your child's education.

An introductory video that walks you through the content is available [here](#).

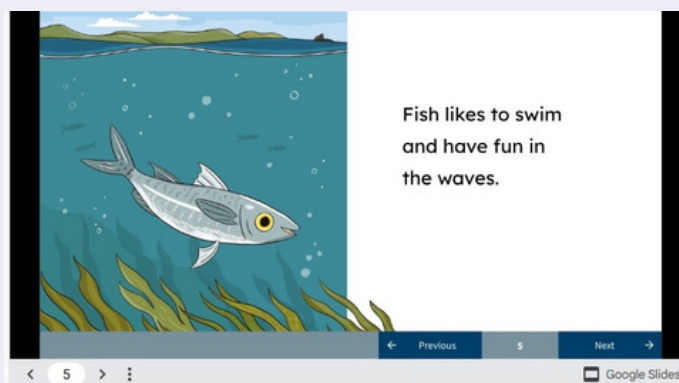
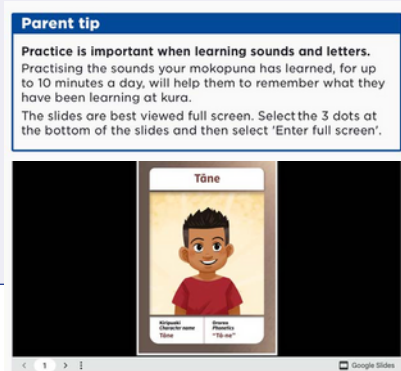
With the launch of the 'parent-friendly' versions of both our national curricula, you will know exactly what your child is learning, why it's important, and when they'll be learning it, so that you can actively support and complement your child's learning at home and have meaningful conversations with your child's teacher or kaiako.



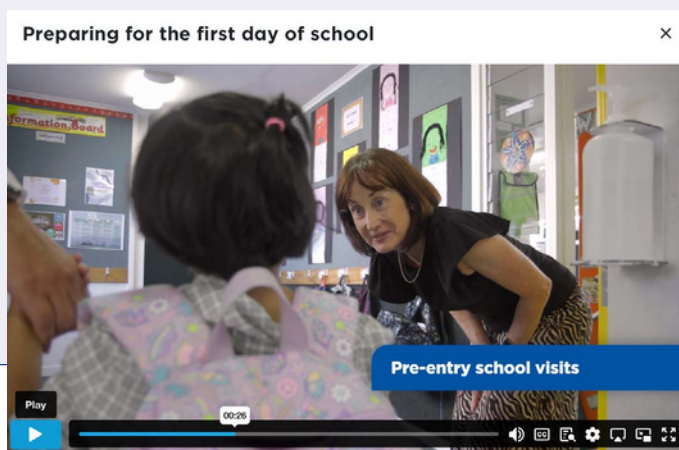
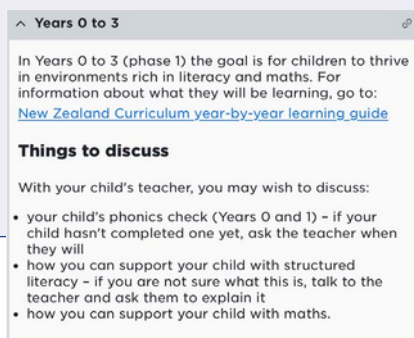
To navigate the website, you can choose which curriculum you want to learn more about and then go to your child's year level.



There are practice activities for each year level that you can do with your child, and 'tips and tricks' to support learning at home. Phonics cards come with parent guidance with audio files to model the correct sounds.



There is also a guide on how to prepare for the first day of school, and tips for parent-teacher interviews.



The webspace also houses important information about how children will be assessed in the early years of schooling through the new Phonics Checks and Hihira Weteoro. It describes how parents and whānau can access additional support that their child or tamaiti might need.



As the national curriculum continues to be updated and implemented in all schools and kura over the next few years, more resources and supports will become available for parents, caregivers and whānau. We encourage you to visit the new webspace and check out the current resources, guides and videos available. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please email us at tepoutahu.engagement@education.govt.nz

ARISE PARENTS IN PRAYER

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Parents in Prayer

Tuesdays @

8:40am Botany cafeteria

2:30pm Golflands courtyard

Come join our team!

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MYKINDO APP IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FOR BOTH ANDROID AND IPHONE

DON'T FORGET

NEXT ARISE PTA MEETING

Welcome

Welcome



Wednesday 23rd July at 7pm

Staffroom

All Parents Welcome