



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS JUNIOR YEARS

Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am with them." - Matthew 18:20. We believe in the power of community here at Elim Christian College, and we're so grateful for all the families, teachers, and staff who make our school such a special place. This newsletter is a way for us to connect and share important information about upcoming events, student successes, and more.

If you could not make it to our 'Welcome to our Learning Spaces' evening event, I encourage you to make an appointment to have a korero with your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you for filling in the permission slips so quickly, as weekly swimming lessons and cricket training started already.

If there are any Parents able to help coach or manage sports teams this term - could you please get in contact with Mrs Preiss. Thank you to those Parents who already made contact.

We are very excited to share the Student Leadership roles and the newly appointed students into those roles. As 1 Peter 4:11 teaches us, these students have stepped up and are using their God given talents to bless those around them. We pray that this year will be a year of growth as they serve their peers and school.

We are extremely excited to host a **Maths No Problem Parent Information** evening on **Wednesday, 11th March starting at 6pm**. The Maths No Problem programme is giving learners the extraordinary maths journey they deserve. We invite all Parent to this special evening explaining what and how the programme works.

ELIM Māori Parents Hui: Nau mai, Haere mai - Mr Adamson warmly invite you to join us for our first Hui in the Golflands Staffroom on Wednesday, 18th March at 6pm- 8pm.

We look forward to many exciting opportunities for our students this term.

Have a blessed term.

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

TERM 1 UPCOMING EVENTS

Fridays, 13 February until 27 March:

Weekly swimming lessons for
Year 4 - 6 Students

Ministry Provided Teacher Development Day (Year 1 - 8)

(No Year 1-8 students at school this day)

Thursday, 5 March

Maths No Problem

Parent Information Evening

Wednesday, 11 March at 6pm

Travelwise week

Monday, 16 March - Friday, 20 March

Cultural Day

Tuesday, 17 March

Elim Māori Parents Hui

Wednesday, 18 March at 6pm

Tuesday, 31 March - Thursday,

2 April

Year 5 Camp

Easter assembly

(Years 0-4 at Golflands)

Thursday, 2 April

Easter assembly

(Years 6 - 13 at Botany Campus)

Thursday, 2 April

(More information to follow).



Last day of Term 1

Thursday, 2 April

He is Risen

IMPORTANT REMINDER: NO PETS ON SCHOOL SITE



A friendly reminder that, for the safety and well-being of all students and staff, pets are not permitted on school grounds. While we understand the love you have for your furry friends, their presence can sometimes create unexpected situations, especially with children who may have allergies or fears. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our school a safe and welcoming environment for everyone. Thank you for your understanding.

2026 NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS - TERMS 3 & 4

If you have a younger sibling of a current student who will turn 5 in 2026 and you have not yet submitted an application form, please do so as soon as possible using this link: <https://forms.gle/D8Mo1KmSC97tAiN17>

Please include scanned PDF copies of all the required supporting documentation, a list of which may be found on the online application page.

CULTURAL DAY

As part of our Biblical theme God knows all about me and identity, we want to celebrate all the different cultures in our school. **Cultural day will be on Tuesday, 17th March 2026.**

As part of the celebration we would like our students to experience different cultural activities run by Parents throughout the week during lunch times (from Monday, 16th March to Thursday, 19th March). Keep in mind - the Year 4 – 6 students will still go swimming on Friday, 20th March as normal this term.

We would like to especially celebrate the following cultures during this term's cultural day (we will have another cultural day in Term 3 to celebrate other cultures in our school):

- Korean
- Indian
- South African
- Chinese

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 16th March - 19th March 2026, we would be grateful for your help. Please email Mrs van Leeuwen (anna.vanleeuwen@elim.school.nz) by Friday, 6th March if you are able to assist in any way.



Revelation 7:9



After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.

POLICE VETTING

Please make sure your police-vetting documentation is up to date if you are keen to support with school activities. There is a \$10 administration fee to process Police Vetting Forms. Please ensure this is done as soon as possible, if you want to be a Parent Helper during our swimming sessions this term.

SWIMMING - YEAR 4 - 6

Swimming at Lloyd Elsmore – Term 1

The John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation has invited Elim Christian College to participate in their Community Swim programme. Please see below for the dates and times for your child's lessons; this information will also be included in Term 1, 2026's permission / information notice:

Starts: Friday, 13 February 2026 and Last Friday of swimming: 27 March 2026

10.00am - Room 11 (Year 6) (Bus leaves at 9.30am)

10.30am - Room 3 (Year 4)

11.00am - Room 2 (Year 4)

11.30am - Room 1 (Year 4)

12.30 pm - Room 14 (Year 5)

1.00pm - Room 12 (Year 6)

1.30pm - Room 15 (Year 5)

2.00pm - Room 13 (Year 5/6)

The Community Swim Bus will pick each group up approximately 30 minutes before each lesson.

Please let your child's Pastoral Care Teacher know if you can help supervise these sessions, and come on the bus to ensure we have the correct adult/child ratio for safety reasons.

If we do not have enough adult helpers we will not be able to attend the lesson.

Please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher as soon as possible if you are able to assist. Police vetting is required for all Parent Helpers. If you need more information about Police Vetting please email golflands@elim.school.nz

Your child will be taking part in swimming lessons with Community Swim. Seven 30-minute learn to swim lessons are delivered by qualified swimming instructors from the Swimgym swim school. The children are transported to and from school in special Community Swim buses.

The goal of the Community Swim Programme is to enable all children to develop the basic life skill of swimming and water survival skills. This aids them to realize the opportunities that await when the door to the world of aquatics is opened.

If your child owns a pair of goggles, we recommend they bring these along as this will assist considerably with their learning to swim. If your child has long hair, please ensure this is tied up for swimming.

LUNCH ORDERS

There are a number of options for students to buy food for lunch during the week. We do encourage students to bring a healthy packed lunch from home most days. In the event students do not have lunch or would prefer to purchase something please see the information below.

All lunch orders are done through Kindo. Please note that all containers from our lunch providers must be taken home to be disposed off. The bins at school cannot accommodate this volume of rubbish.

INTRODUCING OUR 2026 JUNIOR YEARS STUDENT LEADERS

JOSHUA
WHANAU LEADERS

MUKUNDI & LEANE

JEREMIAH
WHANAU LEADERS

JOSIAH & ELISHA

DANIEL
WHANAU LEADERS

BRIAN & VESPER

EZEKIEL
WHANAU LEADERS

EMMANUEL & CHLOE

Lunch Monitors

Sport Monitors

Absent: Vesper McLaren, Malachi Moore, Milan Abbott, Hadley Spurdle, Asher Money, Nathan Johnson.

Bus Monitors

Absent: Asher Money, Gideon Otte

Junior Years Road Patrol Team

Absent: Sophia Carajal.

EPHESIANS 6:7
SERVE WHOLEHEARTEDLY, AS IF YOU WERE SERVING THE LORD,
NOT PEOPLE.

INTRODUCING OUR 2026 JUNIOR YEARS STUDENT LEADERS

Tech Team



Absent: Abigail-Rose Heather, Nathan Johnson, Leane Theron, Esther Wang, Gideon Otte.

Travelwise Team



Enviro Team



Absent: Asher White

Worship Team



Absent: Vesper McLaren, Leane theron, Hadley Spurdle, Sophia Carvajal, Sophia Phillips.:

Student Librarians



Absent: Gideon Otte, Sophia Carvajal, Vesper McLaren, Esther Wang, Leane Theron, Hadley Spurdle, Nathan Fawkne

Student Voice Representatives



Absent: Eliana Pearce, Ross Joubert, Samara Verma, Gideon Otte, Jonathan Nickoley

1 PETER 4:10
EACH OF YOU SHOULD USE WHATEVER GIFT YOU HAVE RECEIVED TO SERVE OTHERS, AS FAITHFUL STEWARDS OF GOD'S GRACE IN ITS VARIOUS FORMS.



Elim Christian College

MATHS 
NO PROBLEM!

Parent Information Evening

for Year 1 - 8 parents



Wednesday 11 March
6.00 - 7.00pm



Elim Christian College
Golflands Campus Hall

Come and learn more about your child's
journey in Maths this year!

ENTRY AND EXIT TO OUR SCHOOL SITE

Junior Years students are encouraged to enter and exit from the Golflands Drive gate unless accompanied by a Middle Years sibling, as the side gates (at Simon Owen Place and Montecito Place) will be locked at 8:45am in the morning and at 3:10pm in the afternoon. (These side gates will not be open on days that Middle Years students are off site.)

All students arriving after 8:40am must sign in at the school office.

TRAFFIC MOVEMENT AROUND OUR SCHOOL

This is a courtesy note on behalf of the Elim Christian College Board of Trustees to assist the school community in traffic movement around the Golflands Campus during drop-off and pick-up time. We are committed to continually improving the safety of our children.

Some tips to assist with improving safety:

We appreciate children being on time to school but if you are running late with your children, safety is still more important. You can simply take them to the office to sign in late.

Please use the Kea crossing before and after school.

Please do not u-turn in front of the school. Rather, use the side streets to loop around Bob Charles Drive to get to the other side.

It is against traffic laws to park within 1 metre of a driveway.

You are not permitted to park on yellow no-parking lines.

No traffic is to enter the school bus bay during pick-up and drop-off times.

No double parking is permitted.

Child safety remains the highest priority and so all road rules must be followed around our school.



KINDO - LUNCH ORDERS

Elim Christian College

Ordering your
SCHOOL LUNCH
is easy via **KINDO APP**

**MON &
FRI**

SUBWAY



**TUES,
WEDS &
FRI**



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IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FOR BOTH ANDROID AND IPHONE