



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS JUNIOR YEARS

Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

Welcome to this week's newsletter! Even though the weather has taken a distinctly chilly turn lately, the warmth inside our classrooms hasn't faded a bit. Our school has been buzzing with energy, enthusiastic learning, and plenty of teamwork.

A few reminders:

Attendance:

Regular school attendance and **arriving on time for the start of the day** remain top priorities for us. Being ready to learn when the morning bell rings helps students start their day with confidence and calm.

If your child is going to be away, or if you plan to take them out of school for any part of the term, please notify the front office as soon as possible. According to Ministry of Education guidelines, family holidays or days off for non-school extracurricular activities are considered unexcused absences.

Of course, we know that winter brings its fair share of bugs, chills, and colds, and it can sometimes be tough to decide if your child is too sick for school. To help you make the right call, you can refer to the official guidance for parents provided by Health New Zealand.

Uniform:

As the winter months set in please ensure that your students arrive at school with adequate rain and/or cold weather gear. Please have **every item named** as we do our best to avoid piles of lost property.

For the second part of our term, our memory verse is Joshua 1:7-9:

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

In this passage, God was calling Joshua to lead by knowing where his strength came from and courageously trusting that God was and is still in control. God is expecting the same of us today—to courageously trust that He is in control.

In our assemblies and classrooms, we are using this verse to remind the children that they can step out with confidence each day, knowing they are never alone.

May you and your family trust in God and courageously go where He leads you.

Ngā mihi nui

Mrs Brieta Groenewald

Deputy Principal (Golflands Campus Junior Years)

TERM 2 UPCOMING EVENTS

Year 3 Swimming Lessons

Wednesdays, 29 April - 17 June

Celebration Assembly

(led by Years 0 - 3)

Friday, 19 June at 2pm

Winning House - Free Mufti Day

Wednesday, 1 July

Ministry Provided Teacher

Development Day

(School is closed for years 0 - 6)

Thursday, 2 July

Room 6 - Parent - Teacher -

Student Conferences

Thursday, 2 July

Last day of Term 2

Friday, 3 July

TERM 3 UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

ATTENTION

Parent Evening with Speaker:

Jo Robertson

Wednesday, 5 August



Parent - Teacher - Student

Conferences

Tuesday, 21 July **and**

Wednesday, 22 July

(More information coming.)

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.

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 this year.

AUCKLAND REGIONAL DENTAL SERVICE

Please fill in this form to enrol your child with the Auckland Regional Dental Service if you haven't already been signed up.

<https://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/ARDS-Dental-Form.pdf>

Completed forms should be emailed directly to: ARDS.Botany@waitematadhb.govt.nz

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PARENT EVENING - COMING UP

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LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES with Jo Robertson

Parents will leave with an understanding of the online and offline world that kids navigate today, identifying potential risks and strategies for addressing them.

- ✓ The online landscape: why and how young people are using tech
- ✓ Screen time, gaming, and social media use
- ✓ Understanding online risks: pornography, exploitation, and grooming.
- ✓ Practical strategies: filtering, games and privacy
- ✓ Counter messages, consent & and conversation starters.



For Parents, Caregivers & Grandparents of children aged 4-18-years-old.

Jo Robertson, an experienced therapist and researcher, brings over 17 years of experience working with children, youth, and parents.

Please save the date:

**5 August 2026 at 7pm in
the Golflands Hall**

www.trichychatsparenting.com



JUNIOR YEARS SPORT

HPPA HOCKEY TOURNAMENT ON 3 JUNE

The HPPA Hockey Tournament, held on 3 June, was a great success this year. Our Year 5/6 team played with skill, determination, and outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. They competed in five matches and remained undefeated, which was a fantastic achievement.

A special thank you to Veronique (Angelique's sister) for generously giving her time to help coach and support our players. Your encouragement and expertise were greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank all of our parents and whānau for your support at the tournament. Without your assistance, we would not be able to participate in these wonderful opportunities. Your encouragement from the sidelines helped make the day such a positive experience for our team.

We are incredibly proud of our players and look forward to entering this tournament again next year.



HOCKEY



RUN4BIBLES - CROSS COUNTRY - TERM 3



Next term we have our annual cross country. Year 4-6 will run on July 28th and Year 0-3 on August 4th. Each year we use our cross country events to participate in fundraising for the Bible League's Run4Bibles fundraiser.

All students are encouraged to sign up online to collect sponsorships. Every \$7 raised provides a Bible for a person in South Africa who does not have one.

Please encourage your child to gather sponsors and train for the RUN4BIBLES event over the coming weeks. Please note that cash donations will not be accepted, so all donations must be made online. Students can sign up and collect sponsorships using the link below. This online system makes collecting sponsors quick and easy. Also, if you have family overseas, they can pay using their credit card.

Please use this link to fund the fundraising website:

<https://bl.org.nz/fundraising-team.php?id=10397>

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.

