



Photo captured on the night of the first round of student-led conferences

Kia ora parents and caregivers

Our recent student-led conferences were great opportunities to engage with our learners. Thank you to all of you who made this a priority and took this opportunity to meet with a teacher. The presentation of the conference is an essential literacy task. Over a period of time, all students who have not presented their learning to parents will present their conference to a teacher at a convenient time for both the student and the teacher. I have had a few parents say that they miss the traditional parent-teacher interviews. Our pedagogy has shifted and the three-way conference supports the student's ownership of their learning.

You are always welcome to email a tutor teacher or subject teacher with concerns about your child's learning. In the first instance, please ensure that you have accessed their grade book. The Curriculum Lead teachers support our subject teachers when answers to questions require in-depth information.

Pastor Steve Green, our senior pastor at Elim Church, recently spoke about mastery of our spiritual life. He mentioned the challenges that come our way daily and also the determination and grit that we must develop in order to overcome the evil ones.

The repetition of tasks and habits is normal and good. This is learning: the daily habits and practices of school routines. Homework, punctuality, and reading each night are normal and important habits for our children at this stage of their schooling. Did I leave out doing chores at home?

Do you take the time to talk to your children about their learning routines? Why are these routines important? Ask them what they are studying in Christian Living at the moment.

Speech season is underway and the teachers and judges have been so impressed with the quality of student oral delivery. Thank you for the support you offer them as they practice on you at home.

Our Year 10s have, by now, all accessed their national co-requisite results. Well done to those who have achieved successful results in all three examinations at this stage. A further opportunity to sit this national assessment will be offered in Term 4.

Kind regards,
Mrs. Mandy Heim
Deputy Principal



NIWA Science Fair Competition

We are so proud of our scientists who completed in the Science Fair Competition. These are the students who were selected to complete in the Regional Competition. They presented their work for judging last Friday.

Below are the topics they investigated:

Year 6

Israel P – Five Second Rule

Year 7

Christopher T – The Mung Bean Experiment

Isabel L and Jasmine W – Inefficient Traffic

Joshua A – Tikanga Harakeke

Nadia B – Chicken Showdown

Sarah Jane S – Stroop effect

Noah M and Vince T – Play That Funky Music

Year 8

Abigail Y and Savryana P – Vicious Violas Vs Lavish Liquids

Angela B and Esther C – Cheese Champion

Angelina L – Attack Of The Ants

Caleb C – Soap Vs Sanitiser



Congratulations to the overall prize winners
Israel, Nadia and Joshua.



Important dates :

- 3rd - 8th September AIMS GAMES
- 6th September - Cultural dress up
- 8th September Zoo excursion Y7s
- 14th Sept **Parent Volunteers Morning tea**
- 13th or 15th September Tiri Tiri trip Y8s
- 20th September Mufti Day
- 22nd September Last day of term

Congratulations to these students who were selected to compete in the Auckland Interzone Cross Country at the Pukekohe Showgrounds.

Rachel Wagener
Nathan Metcalf
Helgard Groenewald

Mathex 2023

Last week two teams competed in Mathex. The Year 7 team consisted of Michael Overend, Vince Tan, Noah Macleod, and Mary Liu. The Year 8 team consisted of Enya Brunt, Alex Bai, Caleb Chang, Benjamin Chai.

Year 8 team



Year 7 team



“There were lots of people, about 32 schools. The stadium was huge. We found it was loud and intense. It was fast paced and very exciting to compete. Thanks for preparing us Mrs Pak” Michael and Noah

A message from Mrs Yvette Britten:

As I was heading from GC to BC today, I had the pleasure of seeing this in action. Anthony had the students answering questions about the nature of God I think.. they were soooo enthusiastic and happy and settled. Lovely moment!



One fogging morning ...





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Counselling Update...

The counselling team aims to support students both proactively by promoting messages around wellbeing and responsively by making counselling available at school. This term I have spoken to the Year 8's about friendship with messages about being inclusive, having a "horseshoe of friendship" rather than a "circle of friendship" which provides space for inviting others in. They also heard about having integrity- being the same person online and offline. With the year 9 and 10 students, the key message I shared was around how racism and sexism can impact wellbeing and we explored ways to stand up for those who need support. The year 8's will be hearing about what it takes to be kind when it is hard to be kind and why it is important to live by our values.

Referrals to counselling can be made by parents and teachers and students can also refer themselves (we do have a waiting list but aim to see students within 2 weeks). If you would like to make a referral, please use the following link: [Counselling Referral Form Botany and Golflands](#) or contact myself on yvette.britten@elim.school.nz.

Māia Courage

It takes strength, courage, maturity, and empathy to stand up for others...



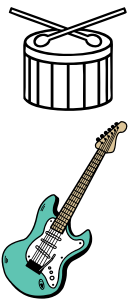
Be inclusive:

Notice....

Invite...

Acknowledge...



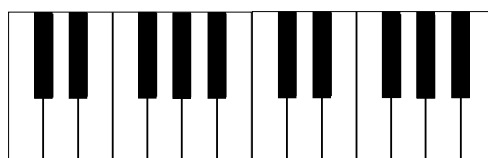


On Friday 25 August, two of our rock bands competed in the Rockshop Bandquest Auckland regional final held at Auckland Girls Grammar. No Vacancy from Golflands campus who are mentored by Anthony MacLeod (Judah Green, Chloe Aish, Alex Bai, Sophia Harmon, Logan McKinnon and Ivan Sun) performed a brilliant set including an original song "I'm Overcome," which won best original song of the night.

Miles (ELIM backward) from Mt. Albert Campus (Isaac Premkumar, Ezra Schnee, Aaryan Shabu, Dave Talluri, and Dominic Jackson) had the crowd dancing with two high-energy originals, and took out 2nd place overall! We are super proud of these students and all the hard work they have put in behind the scenes.

Check out both bands on our [Elim Performing Arts YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7f8YWChSuyoitraPADNDDw).
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No Vacancy - best original song



A reminder of the withdrawal of students (Year 1 to Year 12)

All formal notifications to withdraw from Elim Christian College will be required in writing, giving one term's notice. Therefore, if your child is not returning in 2024, please download a Leavers Form using the link below and email the completed form to enrolments@elim.school.nz by the end of Term 3 – Friday 22nd September 2023.

Leavers Form:

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

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.
Should you have any questions, please email enrolments@elim.school.nz.



ARISE

Parents in prayer

@ GC Staff Room courtyard

(Library book nook on cooler mornings)

Tue & Wed mornings @ 8:45am

Tue afternoons @ 2:30pm

(15 min sessions)



All welcome !

**MUMS, DADS, GRANDPARENTS AND CAREGIVERS,
COME JOIN US AND BLESS OUR KIDS AND
COMMUNITY!**

How to access your child's Schoology Gradebook



You can either look into each subject, take a snapshot view of their learning and any feedback or even download your child's grade book. Remember that in the Middle Years, we do not issue traditional reports. Our gradebook is live and at any stage during the year, a grade report can be accessed and downloaded.

1. Go to <https://elim.schoology.com/> to log in with your parent credentials – each student has at least one parent registered on Schoology. If you have forgotten your password, please use the Forgot Password function to reset your password.
2. Go to the top right of the page, and click on the down arrow next to the parent name.
3. One or more of your children's names will appear. Click on the child whose report you want to print.
4. A new page with the words Courses, Groups, and Grade Report will appear.
5. Click on the Grade Report tab.
6. A new page with a button (Download Student Report) will appear – click on the button.
7. A pop-up window (Download Grades/ Attendance Report) will appear.
8. Select the grading period (for 2023 it is called Overall Coursework 2023) and click next.

Accessing your child's Schoology Gradebook

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9. A new pop-up Export [Your Child's Name]'s Student Report with a "Select All" button – click the button and then click "Submit".

10. A page will show the report.

11. Right-click anywhere on the page, and click on "Print...". A print instruction pop-up will appear. In the "Destination" drop-down, choose "Save as PDF" and click "Save".

12. A PDF will be created and can then be saved to a folder on your device, or your cloud storage, or be emailed and later printed.

Note that this is a record of learning, a snapshot of your child's learning journey that reflects the formative processes that happen during the year and mastery or lack of mastery for each of the learning opportunities in each course.

To get a more comprehensive idea of the depth of specific learning tasks you can drill into each subject by clicking on the individual subjects when you are on the page that has the "Download Student Report" button.

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Entry and exit to our school site:

The side gates will be locked 10 minutes after the start of school. These are the gates at Simon Owen and Montecito roads.

If families are running late, students should be dropped off at the front of school and must sign in at reception.

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 do not complete u-turns. Rather, use the side streets or loop around Bob Charles Drive to go the other way.**
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It is against the 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.

- We appreciate this it is more difficult when the weather is wet, however, please remember that all other families are also battling the poor weather.**
- Child safety remains the highest priority and so all road rules must be adhered to.**

Thank you for your support with this.

We support the new NCEA literacy & numeracy corequisite!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Your child's school has already adopted the new NCEA guidelines, which now feature a literacy and numeracy corequisite.

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Kind regards,
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