

## Golflands Middle Years Newsletter

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21st March 2022

Kia Ora parents and caregivers.

The start of week 8 was a huge cloudburst. This is a timely reminder to **prepare for wet and colder weather**. Please ensure students who walk to school or bike to school have a raincoat. Umbrellas are not ideal in windy weather. Please explain and show your children how to keep their bags dry. We want good management and stewardship of all our learning equipment. In this newsletter I am sharing some candid photos that that will give you a snippet of learning activity here on site.

Other key messages are:

1. COVID notifications
2. Mufti day on Friday
3. Drop off/Pick up reminders
4. Online Pacific Fono and the Māori Hui next week.
5. Candid learning moments
6. Announcement of Student Leaders

Log on to the relevant online events:

**22nd March:** Planning for Academic Success evening ( geared for year 10 students upwards)

<https://bit.ly/3vRwaEz>

6.30pm- 7.30pm

**28th March Pacific Fono**

A newsletter with a link has been sent to our families

**30th March Māori online hui**

A newsletter with a link has been sent to our families.

### COVID

Thank you again for the email notifications and updates regarding your children or household contacts as you navigate COVID at home and deal with the self isolation requirements.

We continue to notify you via email of cases in each year level as they are reported to us. We are committed to ensuring safe hygiene processes to minimise the risk of infection especially as the weather closes in and students are more inclined to be indoors.

### UPDATES of other information

A reminder that Middle Years Information is posted on the Schoology Parents Group:

<http://ecco.elim.school.nz/group/5661777952>

## Information for students is posted to the MY Student Group:

<http://ecco.elim.school.nz/group/2364214867>

**Year level Tutor teachers post messages** to their own classes and all Subject Courses have updates and folders to access the expected work.

### **BUS information:**

Please see the amended school buses for Elim College. The only changes we have is Papakura will now be riding on Elim 2.

Follow the bus link as these are approximate times

<https://app.fleetpin.co.nz/locate/kiwi-coaches>

#### **R4-ELIM 1**

- Opposite 230 Great South Rd, Takanini 7.20am (Run Start)
- Opposite 152 Great South Rd, Takanini 7.25am
- 319 Great South, Manurewa (Mobil Bus Stop) 7.27am
- 153 Great South Rd, Manurewa 7.30am
- 75 Great South Rd, Manurewa 7.31am
- 47 Great South Rd, Manurewa 7.32am
- Stops along Everglade Dr 7.40am
- 6 Aspiring Ave, 7.45am
- 11 Matthews Rd, 7.50am
- All stops along Chapel Rd Between 7.50am-8am
- Elim College 8.15am

#### **R5-ELIM 2**

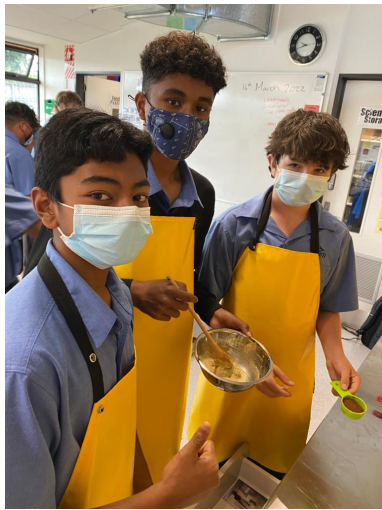
- Pukekohe 6.55am
- 299 Great South Rd, Papakura 7.18am
- 69 Great South Rd, Papakura 7.20am
- 481 Great South Rd, Papatoetoe 7.42am
- 315 Great South Rd, Papatoetoe 7.45am
- 16 East Tamaki Rd, Papatoetoe 7.50am
- Elim College 8.15am

Who to contact for bus information: [jonathan.mcphail@elim.school.nz](mailto:jonathan.mcphail@elim.school.nz)

**Please ensure you have read, signed, and returned the Student Internet User Agreement form.**

**We hold students to account for their online behavior. Honest and appropriate access to search engines and websites is meant to be transparent and appropriate. Honest online behavior in spite of whether or not a teacher is monitoring their screen time during class is expected.**

**Accessing explicit content, by-passing our firewalls, double desk topping, typing offensive statements on other students' keyboards, and clearing the search history is deceitful and will not be tolerated.**



Here are a few visual moments showing our learning at Middle Years :  
 From the top left: Baking exercise comparing Gluten free vs regular baking. Cube club lunchtime student group. Workshop technology making letterboxes. Painting the handiwork. The bottom right photo is a vocabulary card game for the Year 8 Māori. Ka Pai!



*The Art Classes have designed and painted Elim statements on all the wooden work benches. These will now be sealed with an epoxy coating.*





**Year 7's in a Maths focus time.**



**Discussion circle with Mrs MacKenzie**



**Mr MacLead lead a worship song. A few students hummed along.**



**The presentation of last year trophies to our current year 7 and 8's. These were delayed due to COVID restrictions.**

**The Middle Years Student leaders have been announced!**

**Our sincere congratulations go to the following Year 10 students. These students represent all areas of student learning and are growing in their faith and love for Jesus. These are our pinnacle Middle Years students:**

- Timothy Suresh
- Alayna Finlay
- Caitlyn Chong
- Nathan Wong
- Lucy Beale
- Isabella Neumann
- Oscar Wong
- Millicent Rowe



Well done to these students for putting up their hands to serve the school through lunchtime sport, sport leadership and accountability of a sportsmanship attitude. The selection process has been so rigorous and the detail in each application has been rewarding. Our young leaders have a heart of service and a love for God.

**Our Sports leaders for the year are:**

Kei McNeill  
Gaius Christie  
Gabriel Narayan  
Jenna Smit  
Luke Hunter  
Nicole Jackson  
Joshua Lush  
Emily Ronberg

It also gives me great pleasure to announce our **Middle Years Student Voice team.**

These students were nominated by their class peers to be representatives of their tutor group. The student voice group is similar to a student council- they meet once each 3rd week with Mrs Heim and discuss matters raised by the student body. Minutes of these meetings are submitted to the executive lead team.

Rishona Lal  
Rachel Wagener  
Damita Beeching  
Jasmine Bonello  
Enya Brunt  
Lincoln Burgess  
Sion Chen  
Caitlyn Chong  
Kunal Datt  
Malachi Driller  
Imogen Finlay  
Sofia Forbes- Brown  
Fiona Gould  
Enoch Isaac  
Nicole Jackson  
Mikayla Joyce  
Zachary Lim  
Mannat Mann  
Erin Sophia Morales  
Polo Morales  
Isabella Neumann  
Claudia Price  
Sienna Sampson  
Callum Turner

## PARKING AROUND OUR SITE:

Parents **must follow road rules** when dropping off and collecting children at **all entry and exit** points to our campus. Please arrive a few minutes earlier in the morning and encourage your child to walk the extra 100 meters or so. **Please DO NOT park** in drive ways or stop on a bend in the road that restricts the flow of traffic. Park further up the road and encourage your child to walk the odd 100 meters or more. Respectful and considerate road behaviour is appreciated at all times.

**All Middle Years  
parents must please  
sign  
up/register with  
Schoolology.**

Please read about signing  
up here:  
[Get Connected with Schoolology](#)

**1.Schoolology** allows you to see your child's course work and instructions from the teacher. If you are already signed up- then simply join this year's Parent Group. Use this **access code:** FT7P-7BSZ-VNBZ3

2. If you are new to Elim, **please sign up** as a new member and then join the **PARENT group-** use this access code: FT7P-7BSZ-VNBZ3  
Day to day communication is posted on this newsfeed.

3. Existing parents must also please join this new group as the 2021~Parent group has now been archived.

**PLEASE ensure all cyclists wear helmets! This includes all motorised scooters as well.**

Can I encouraged you with this verse that has been impactful to me this week: **Psalm 43.3** Send out your light and your truth; let them guide me . Let them lead me to your holy mountain, to the place where you live. NLT.

*May God Bless you all with a tangible sense of His presence in your homes. Aroha, Mrs Mandy Heim*