

A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS MIDDLE YEARS

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers

Dr. Tania Harris from **God Conversations** led the staff on a day of in-depth revelation of how God speaks to His people. The **word** was unpacked through how God speaks to His people, furthering our understanding of our school values of biblical truth and Christian discipleship. When leaders (that's all of us) go first, we can know Him better, lead our students to know him better, and hear His voice. One thing that stood out to me was the small action of always naming the writer of the scripture. Jesus is the **Word** that became flesh. When we study Jesus and his words, we position ourselves to hear God's voice. Be brave, have these conversations with your children. Do they know that Jesus told us that it is for our good that he left us with the Holy Spirit as our helper and advocate for this Christian life? Jesus, John 16:7. **May His truth, power, and love bless you as you prepare to celebrate Easter.**

I have enjoyed informally meeting parents on Wednesday afternoons between 3 pm and 3.30 pm. You are also welcome to email me to arrange a chat if you can not make it on-site on a Wednesday.

Planning for term 2 activities is underway and we will soon publish these dates. Details for Y7/Y8 Sports Camp trials will be communicated on Tuesday 26th March. This week-long event costs upwards of \$400.

An opportunity to have valuable feedback for literacy and numeracy at a face-to-face meeting with a teacher is scheduled for 7th and 14th May. Parents will be able to book **one session** on either the 7th or the 14th of May. Teachers will be available from 3.30 pm - 6.45 pm both evenings. Further details and booking information will be made available at the start of term 2.

Kind regards
Mrs Mandy Heim
Deputy Principal Middle Years

IMPORTANT DATES

Easter Assembly

Wednesday 27th March
8.40am-9.05am - Parents welcome

Mufti Day

Thursday 28th March
Be creative; wear house colors - no charge

Cultural Day

Thursday, 4th April
Cultural celebration dress and shared lunch

Easter Holidays

Friday, 29th March to
Tuesday, 2nd April
School re-opens 3rd April

Co-Req Info Meetings

Tuesday 9th April
Selected students only

Uniform Sale

Tuesday 9th April
Golflands Campus Hall

School Holidays

Saturday 12th to Sunday 28th April

Meet a Teacher evening

Tuesday 7th & Tuesday 14th May

Co-Req Prep Day-Y10s only

Wednesday 22nd May

Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 4th June

LOST PROPERTY

Please remind your child to regularly check the grey wheelie bin outside the office for lost property. All unclaimed items will be sent to the second hand uniform sale or donated.

MOBILE PHONES

A reminder that students may not use their mobile phones while on the school grounds. If your child is feeling unwell, they should let their teacher know and then come to the sick bay - the office staff will ring parents if necessary. For urgent/unforeseen matters, parents may contact the school office to have a message passed on to their child. The office phone is to be used only for emergencies, not for calling parents to bring forgotten items or making after school arrangements. Please encourage your child to be responsible for packing their own belongings and plan ahead for after school activities.

ARISE PARENTS IN PRAYER

Mum, Dads, Grandparents and Caregivers - If you are available during the week come and join our Parents in Prayer and bless our kids, school and community.

Tuesday & Wednesday mornings @ 8:45am

Tuesday afternoons @ 2.30pm

Golflands Staff Room courtyard / behind reception offices

ARISE PTA FUNDRAISING MEETING

The first meeting of the year - please join us!

Monday evening 6th May 6 pm

Golflands Staff Room

DROP IN CHAT WITH MRS HEIM

Parents are welcome to drop in and have a chat with Mrs Heim on Wednesday afternoons between 3:00-3:30pm at the school office. If you would like to schedule a time but simply can not make it on-site, please email mandy.heim@elim.school.nz

On the weekend of 16th - 17th of March we had two students represent Elim at the **North Island Mountain Bike Championships held in Rotorua.**

Ailidh McKinnon competed in the U16 Girls Cross Country event and Logan McKinnon competed in the U14 Boys Cross Country event. Below is a recap of the event and their experience.

The race was held on Sunday 17th March. On the Sunday morning it was a very fresh 2 degrees and an early arrival to register when it was still dark!

Logan's race was in the morning beginning at 8am. It was quite large and only the first 3 boys were seeded. Then it was off the alphabet. This placed Logan 2nd to last row back. This was unique for him and he got off to a challenging start. He crossed the first gate in 25th position. Though Logan is tough and gritty and has a great tank and came through the first lap in 10th! He then finished 9th where 7, 8, 9 places were separated by just 10seconds. He is happy with his results knowing he gave it his all. And he is curious to figure out big starts and how to get off to a better start.

Ailidh's race was at 10am. The sun came out and the air became warmer. The trails also dried out a little. The U15 & U16 girls all set off together. It was nice to have a bunch of 18 riders together. Ailidh got off to a great start and pedalled strongly showing her strength and fitness. She finished 5th place in girls U16. She is curious to figure out overtaking and course strategy. A big congratulations and well done to both of our riders on their events! We are very proud to have you representing Elim at this prestigious event.

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Photos supplied



Jasmine Wagner Bronze Medal in U12 NZ Triathlon Champs

She raced in the U13 & U12 races, finishing 13th overall and 3rd in the U12's to earn a NZ Schools Bronze Medal. There were 40 in her race, so a pretty competitive field from around NZ.

She was unfortunate because of some swim surf they extended the distance to the buoys that turned the supposed to be 200m swim into a 300m+ - her weakest discipline. She did well though, battling through a breaker to complete this - probably out of the water about 30th. She overtook about 5 on the bike, riding a gravel bike with a carrier still attached - certainly one of the more unrace bikes on the course. Her older siblings had the better bicycles.

Jasmine then had the 3rd fastest run of the day, only 2 U13s beating her time, to run from about 25th to 13th over 2.5km and of course into the bronze medal position for U12s.

She had no expectations going into this and it was her first proper triathlon, so she was pretty stoked with the day and enjoyed it a lot. This sure won't be her last.

Jasmine may compete in the NZ Schools Duathlon in August. This event may suit her better as her strengths are run-bike-run. Well done Jasmine.



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WHEN:
Thursday 23rd May

WHERE:
Elim Christian College auditorium

WHO:
Performances will be for year 7 - 13, but anyone can come watch

TICKETS:
\$5 per ticket - sold online

AUDITIONS:
Signups will be posted on Schoology with a google form and 1-2 minute long audition video

All money fundraised will be going towards World Vision. If anyone or any company would like to sponsor us or donate that would be much appreciated

 Elim Christian College



2024 Kiwi Competitions

Online competition for Primary,
Intermediate and Secondary students



Kiwi Science
Competition



Kiwi Maths
Competition



Kiwi English
Competition

Designed by NZ teachers for Kiwi students and align with the NZ curriculum.

The CAM Kiwi competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Registrations close on Monday 8th April. More information and instructions at this link:

<https://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/CAM-Kiwi-Letter-to-Parents-2024.pdf>

Cross Country and Road 2024



Are you between the age of 5 to 99?

Looking for a fun sport to do this winter?

Why not give Cross Country (XC) and Road Running a go?

Whether you're new to the sport or a returning member, we welcome all!

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

Juniors (U7 to U16) 2.30pm

Seniors (U18's +) 3.00pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

**NO PRE-REGISTRATION
REQUIRED**

Venue: Pakuranga Athletic Club, Lloyd Elsmore Park
Entrance 36/38 Cascades Rd, Pakuranga



Schoology & Live Gradebook

At Elim, we want to make it as easy as possible for you as a parent to be highly involved in your child's learning. Schoology, our world-class learning management system, is one of the ways that help us do this better than ever before.

To access Schoology you will need to create a parent account and then enter a 12-digit code to connect your account to your child's account.

The 12-digit code for each child has been emailed to parents and caregivers previously. If you have not received it, or need help with getting connected, please contact the office at golflands@elim.school.nz

Join the GCMY Parents Group on Schoology using the code [FT7P-7BSZ-VNBZ3](#) so you can keep updated.

In the Middle Years, instead of issuing traditional mid-year and end-of-year reports, parents can login to Schoology at any stage during the year and access the Live Schoology Gradebook. This is a continuous record of your child's learning which can be printed out or downloaded and saved as a PDF file.

Please view the Parent Guide to Schoology for detailed instructions on how to create your account, access your child's learning information, and download a copy of your child's live gradebook:

<https://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/GCMY-Parent-Guide-to-Schoology.pdf>

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

**MON &
FRI**

SUBWAY



**TUES,
WEDS &
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NEW



MYKINDO APP
IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FOR BOTH ANDROID AND IPHONE

KELLY CLUB - AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We welcome:

Year 0 to 8 at Elim Christian College

After-school options:

3:00pm – 4:30pm: \$16.50

3:00pm – 6:00pm: \$23

**DID YOU KNOW?
CHILDCARE
SUBSIDIES
INCREASED
IN 2023!**

kellyclub.co.nz/subsidy

WHY CHOOSE KELLY CLUB?



Supporting your school

We share our revenues with your school to benefit your learning community.



Quality care you can trust

Our programmes are approved by the Ministry of Social Development and our nutritious, yummy food complies with the safety requirements of the Food Act 2014.



Childcare subsidies

Eligible parents or caregivers can access WINZ subsidies to help cover the cost of our programmes.



Flexible payment plans

Enjoy same-day booking and cancellation without penalty. We charge in arrears, so you only pay for the childcare you use.

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