



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS MIDDLE YEARS

Kia ora Parents, Caregivers & Whānau,

We have reached the last day of term, and what a wonderful term it has been.

This morning we held our combined Golflands Campus Easter Assembly. It was great to see both sides of our campus come together to celebrate the fact that Jesus defeated the grave. This time together also gives us the opportunity to remember the history of the school and commemorate the significance of this time of the year for Elim Christian College.

Thank you to the families who joined us at our Whānau Hui last week. This time of connection is vital for fostering better partnerships and vision as we move forward together.

There has been a lot to celebrate in the past few weeks in the Middle Years, and I would like to give a special shout out to the following Middle Years students.

A huge congratulations to Asha Dunn (Year 10) who has been selected to join the Franklin U16 Girls Basketball team. Well done for putting in the hard work to be selected for this team.

And a huge congratulations also goes to Chase Wilkinson (Year 9) who entered the Track Carnival Cycling event at the Manukau Sports Bowl Velodrome. Chase managed to place 2nd overall in points. Well done!

Please feel welcome to share all successes that your child may have out of school with us, its always a pleasure to see the amazing things that our students achieve.

As we enter into the holidays, I pray that you and your whānau have some great quality time together, make some memories, and get a chance to relax.

Term 2 hold many exciting things for the Middle Years, I look forward to seeing you all in the new term.

Ngā mihi nui
Mr Michael McKenzie
Deputy Principal

TERM 1 UPCOMING EVENTS

Last Day of Term 1

Friday 11th April



IMPORTANT TERM 2 DATES

First Day of Term 2

Monday 28th April

Obstacle Fun Day Fundraiser

Friday 16th May

Y10 Co-Requisite Examinations

Literacy Reading: Tuesday 20th May

Numeracy: Wednesday 21st May

Y10 Home learning day - 22nd May

Literacy Writing: Friday 23rd May

SECKA Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 3rd June

(School closed for students)

NZACS Teacher Only Day

Friday 27th June

(School closed for students)

A NOTE FROM THE COUNSELLING TEAM

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The counselling team is offering a short 4 week group programme called Managing Worries during Term for Year 7 & 8's. The purpose of this programme is to equip students with practical tools that they are able to use when they experience moments of worry or anxiety. The programme will run on Monday lunchtimes in the counselling room. The group size will be 4-6 students and before the group starts, the counsellors will get in contact with you and with the student to get an understanding of what is going on for them to tailor the programme better. To apply please email Rachel.Adam@elim.school.nz with your child's name and what you are noticing with your child and we'll be in touch.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 1) EMAIL ADDRESS: If parents want to contact school please use golflands@elim.school.nz
- 2) ABSENCE FORM: If your child is going to be away/late or you want to pick them up early, please fill in the Absence Form found on our Elim Christian College Website - DO NOT email or message a teacher to say your child is going to be away.
- 3) MEDICINE: No medicine should be stored in school bag, except for inhalers in the Middle Years. Please bring all medicine/tablets to the office for safe keeping. If a child needs to take medicine at a certain time of day, please see Mrs Bishop in the office and she will make sure it will be given to them at the right time.
- 4) OFFICE: Parents who come on site during the day must come through the office to get a Parent Pass - please do not head straight up to your child's class during school hours.

1. 电子邮件地址：如果家长想要联系学校，请发邮件到 golfland@elim.school.nz。
2. 请假：如果您的孩子需要缺席、迟到或提前离校，请填写学校网站上的请假表。请不要发送电子邮件或短信给老师通知孩子缺席。
3. 药物管理：学生不得在书包里存放任何药物。请将所有药物、哮喘吸入器或药片交到学校办公室保管。如果孩子需要在特定时间服药，请联系办公室的 Mrs. Bishop，她会确保孩子按时服药。
4. 学校办公室：家长进入学校时，必须先到办公室领取黄色的家长通行证（parent pass），不得在上课时间直接前往孩子的教室。

1. 이메일 주소: 학부모님께서 학교에 연락하시려면 golflands@elim.school.nz 이메일을 이용해 주세요.
2. 결석 신고서: 자녀가 결석하거나 지각할 예정이거나 일찍 하교를 원하실 경우, Elim Christian College 웹사이트에서 결석 신고서를 (Absence Form) 작성해 주세요. 교사에게 이메일이나 메시지를 보내 자녀의 결석을 알리지 마세요.
3. 의약품: Inhaler 제외한 모든 약은 학교 가방에 보관할 수 없습니다.
 - 모든 약품/정제는 사무실에 맡겨 안전하게 보관해 주세요.
 - 특정 시간에 약을 복용해야 하는 경우, 사무실의 Mrs. Bishop을 찾아가 주 세요. Mrs. Bishop이 정확한 시간에 약을 복용할 수 있도록 도와드립니다.
4. 사무실 방문:
 - 학부모님께서서는 사무실을 통해 "학부모 출입증" (Parent Pass) 을 받아야 합니다.
 - 학교 시간 중에는 곧바로 자녀의 교실로 가시면 안 됩니다.

YEAR 9 WAKA AMA EXPERIENCE

Some of our Year 9 cohort took the opportunity to attend a Waka Ama Experience which was provided to the school through the South East Christian Kahui Ako (SECKA).

A bus load of Year 9's and 5 eager teachers ventured out to Okahu Bay in Orakei for the day on Thursday. While they were there the awesome team at Ocean Blue Sports, lead by Tania Albert, guided students in understanding the history and importance of the local area. It was then time to jump into a Waka and have a lesson on paddling out in the bay.

Once the teams learnt the basics of paddling, and could start to work in unison as a team (which wasn't always easy!) there were fun races and challenges, and maybe a few splash wars!

SECKA organised this activity to help strengthen our Bi-Cultural connection, and give students the opportunity to try out a new sport - hopefully we see some interest in Waka Ama challenges in the future!

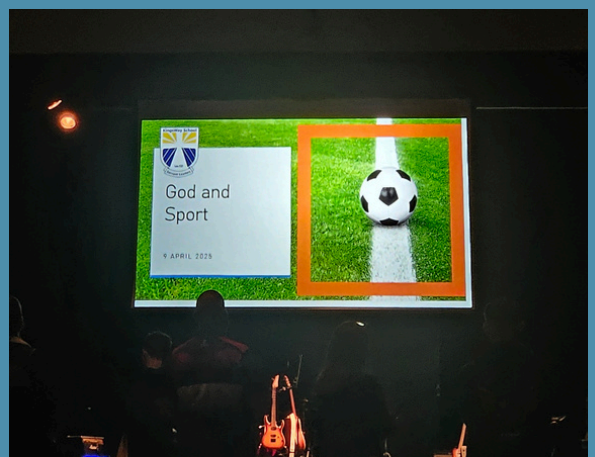
A huge thank you to all the staff who assisted on the trip, and especially to the SECKA team for allowing us to have this opportunity.



SPORTS EXCHANGE

On Wednesday 9th April almost 100 students from Botany Campus and the Middle Years participated in the annual 'Sports Exchange' hosted by KingsWay School in Red Beach. Elim was represented by teams in 8 different sports, and we had the chance to challenge teams from KingsWay School and Hamilton Christian School.

To finish the day there was an evening session together with a wonderful dinner. Here are some highlight photos



EASTER ASSEMBLY

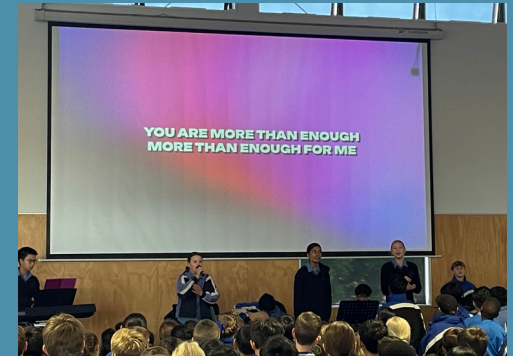
He is
Risen

Our final assembly for the term was our full Golflands Campus Easter and Commemorative assembly.

This is always a special time where we get to remember the history of our school as well as celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and declare that He has risen and defeated death!

It was great having Pastor Becs Green come and share and have some of the Botany Campus Prefects over to give a message about the spiritual landmark of April the 15th.

Here are a few snaps shots from the assembly.



“He is not here: for he is risen,
as he said. Come, see the place
where the Lord lay”

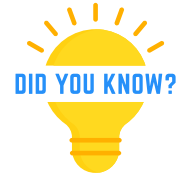
Matthew 28:6



SKIDS - POSSIBILITY OF THIRD PICK UP SERVICE



Hi Everyone



Our pick up service has been so popular that we are looking at adding a 3RD pick up for Term 2 onwards!

Details:

We pick up from Elim and transport to our Skids After School Care held at Botany Downs Primary School
Ages 5-13

If you are not already booked but are interested please reply to us directly - botanydowns@skids.co.nz and we can send you all the details.

Our cut off will be Friday April 18th.



Choose your
ADVENTURE
RISE THEN SHINE STAY AND PLAY

skids



STEPPED ATTENDANCE LETTERS (STAR)

As you may be aware, the New Zealand government has set the target for schools to reach an attendance rate of 80% attendance for students - 90% of each term by the year 2030, nationwide.

As part of this response, the school is responsible for carefully tracking attendance and informing families about absence rates. One guideline from the government for schools to do this is by Stepped Attendance Response Letters.

A stepped attendance letter informs a family that the school is aware that a student has reached a certain level of absence. The letter also has various suggestions of steps forward. The ministry has requested a letter to be sent to a family when a child has had 5, 10 and 15 days absence during a term.

Please note that these letters are automatically sent out from our student management system once your child has reached one of their absence thresholds.

If you have informed the school of absences, for whatever reason, our student management system will count it towards the absence tally.

The government is very clear about what is considered an Explained (Justified) absence and an Explained (Unjustified) absence, however any absence from school is likely to impact a student's learning progress.

If students are missing school due to frequent medical absences, a member of our Senior Leadership will make contact with parents / caregivers. Our aim is to offer assistance, if required, to ensure there are no barriers to your child returning to school.

As stated in the STAR emails, attendance has a direct impact on achievement and engagement at school. As a school, it is our responsibility to ensure that we are doing everything we can to make sure our students are thriving in their academic journey.

To achieve at school, students need to be at school, and as a school, we are committed to working with your family and your child.

Stepped Attendance Response - STAR

Responding to all absences



GOOD

Good chance of success

WORRYING

Less chance of success

CONCERNING

Hard to make progress

SERIOUS CONCERN

Very hard to make progress

Step Progression:

less than 5 days absent in that term

Step Progression:

less than 10 days absent in that term

Step Progression:

less than 15 days absent in that term

COMING SOON

 *Elim Christian College*

OBSTACLE FUN DAY

IT'S COMING BACK! OUR EPIC OBSTACLE COURSE
FUNDRAISER WITH FUNDS GOING TOWARDS OUR
PLAYGROUND PROJECT.



LOADS OF SPOT PRIZES TO BE WON!

Elim Christian College

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

**MON &
FRI**

SUBWAY



**TUES,
WEDS &
FRI**



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MYKINDO APP
IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FOR BOTH ANDROID AND IPHONE

ARISE

Parents in Prayer

Tuesdays @

8:40am Botany cafeteria

2:30pm Golflands courtyard

Come join our team!



OWN
YOUR
JOURNEY

Be Recognised

The award will help your CV stand out.

Make a Difference

Volunteer in your community.

Step out & Explore

Discover new things about yourself.

Develop and Grow

Learn and master new life skills.

YOUR DUKE OF ED

Improve Wellbeing

Make friends, have fun, push your limits.

Physical • Skills • Service • Journey

Visit <https://dofehillary.org.nz/> or message Mr Taylor for more details.

Safety at the School Gate



Please use the crossing where available.



Drivers please park legally to ensure visibility for our children.



Children are unpredictable, slow down, be aware and prepare to stop.



You must stop and give way to pedestrians at crossings.

Before and after school is a busy time for everyone.

Parking correctly helps everyone stay safe.

Thank you for doing your part!

**Auckland
Transport**

