



# A FUTURE & A HOPE

## GOLFLANDS CAMPUS MIDDLE YEARS

Kia ora Parents, Whānau and caregivers,

Kia Orana, a very rainy end to Cook Island Language Week and week 4, but it has been a wonderful fortnight once again at the Middle Years. It's hard to believe that we are almost at the halfway mark for Term 3. As we near progression into the second half of Term 3, it's important to remind our community about intention to withdraw your child from Elim at the end of the school year.

### Intention to withdraw

A reminder of 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 2026, please download a Leavers Form using the link below and email the completed form to [enrolments@elim.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@elim.school.nz) by the end of Term 3 - Friday, 19th September 2025.

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 contact the Enrolment Team at [enrolments@elim.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@elim.school.nz).

It has been fantastic getting some emails from staff and our parent community about student achievements in and out of school. Some of these I have highlighted in the pages below, and more will come in the following newsletters.

If your child has achieved something significant in any sport or club outside of school, we would love to hear about it and celebrate with you, please feel free to send me an update at anytime via my email, [michael.mckenzie@elim.school.nz](mailto:michael.mckenzie@elim.school.nz).

Ngā mihi nui

Mr Michael McKenzie

Deputy Principal

### TERM 3 UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Botany Campus Cultural Night

Thursday 14th August

6pm in the BC Auditorium, all welcome!

#### Winter Tournament Week

24<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> August

#### AIMS Games

31<sup>st</sup> August - 5<sup>th</sup> September

#### Mufti Day

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

#### Co-Req Round 2 Examinations

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September

#### SECKA Kahui Ako Kapa Haka Festival

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

#### Last day of Term 3

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September



# WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE MIDDLE YEARS

## Student Celebrations and Achievements

This week I would like to take some time to congratulate some of our Middle Years Students who have been achieving some impressive feats outside of and for our school.

### Basketball Achievements:

Firstly I would like to celebrate 5 of our students who have been selected to join Counties Manukau U14 Basketball teams.

Congratulations to Ciara Bailey (Y8), Braelee Morales (Y8) and Naomi Morales (Y8) for being selected for the Counties Manukau U14 Girls team. Congratulations to Oliver White (Y8) and Caden Van Niekerk (Y8) being selected for the Counties Manukau U14 Boys team.

Well done for using your God given skills and abilities to get out there and thrive. Your hard work and discipline are also evident in this achievement. We are very proud of you.

### Dance Achievements:

Bella Black (Y9) represented New Zealand at the World of Dance Summit in Los Angeles last month after her dance crew placed first in the New Zealand Dance Summit.

Her crew went on to place 1<sup>st</sup> for their division and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall! This is a fantastic achievement that deserves much praise for the hard work and dedication of Bella, her team, her coaches and her whānau.

### Cycling Achievements:

During the last School holidays, Chase Wilkinson (Y9) attended the North Island / National Track Championships.

Chase had a hugely successful day on the track and achieved the following results:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> in 250 Time Trial
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 2k Scratch
- 3<sup>rd</sup> in Points
- 4<sup>th</sup> in the 515m derby.

A huge congratulations from all of us Chase, we are thrilled to see you thriving in this sport. Keep up the hard work!





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## Musician mentoring

This week, our Middle School students enjoyed a dynamic and engaging performance by professional musician and composer Kim Halliday. Kim showcased her versatility by playing a range of instruments, including the nose flute, cajon drum, ukulele, kalimba, and guitar.

With more than 30 years of experience performing and collaborating around the world, Kim brings a rich musical background to every setting. For the past 12 years, she has been the principal writer for the Pacific Curls Trio, contributing to over 38 recordings and performing with more than 20 different groups. Her work spans film, theatre, and dance, including commissions for Māori and Pacific-led projects such as Mitimiti and Mango Tree.

Our Year 8 and 9 Music students had the opportunity to learn from Kim in mentoring sessions held on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. We're excited to welcome her back later this term for another five hours of mentoring — a fantastic opportunity for our students to continue learning from a highly experienced and inspiring musician.







*South East Christian  
Kāhui Ako*

# KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

Sancta Maria College Auditorium  
18th September 2025  
6:00 PM

Tickets available at your school. Koha on the night.



Sancta Maria Catholic  
Primary School



 Elim Christian College

# 2025



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## ARISE

Parents in Prayer

*Tuesdays @*

**8:40am Botany cafeteria**

**2:30pm Golflands courtyard**

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