



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS MIDDLE YEARS

Kia ora Parents, Caregivers & Whānau,

We have reached the end of Week 7, the shortened week with King's Birthday has made for a week filled to the brim with activity.

Next week we send off our Sports Camp students to compete in a week long sports camp filled with various team sports. We pray that the week will be filled with lots of excitement and fun, that teams will work well together and that all our students will be true reflectors of Jesus in everything that they do. We look forward to hearing all about their time at camp in an upcoming newsletter.

This newsletter is filled with highlights of Year 7 camp. I hope you enjoy the accounts from some of our Year 7 students.

A huge thank you to Mr Hutchinson and all our staff and parent helpers who went out on the camp. We were absolutely blessed with wonderful weather despite it being this far into the year.

This morning in assembly, two of our Year 9 Prefects, Kimberley Lin and Thandeka Mapurisa led us in a beautiful devotion and prayer. They used the scripture Matthew 14:22-32 to encourage their peers that God calls us out in faith to try and then he steps in. He is always there and will always be watching over us. It is always a pleasure hearing our students encourage their peers through scripture and prayer. How blessed are we that we get to call this a normal experience at school!

Ngā mihi nui, God bless,
Mr Michael McKenzie
Deputy Principal

TERM 2 UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 8th - Fri 12th June:

Intermediate Sports Camp
Selected students

Wednesday, 10th June:

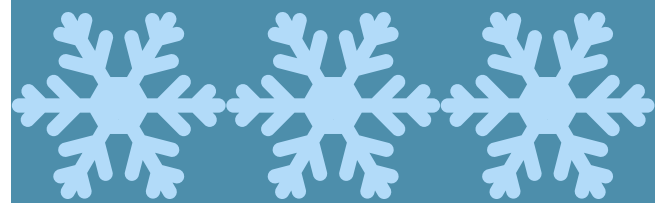
Pacific Parents Fono, 6pm
Golfland Campus Staffroom

Kiwi CAM exams

Tue 23rd June - Science
Thur 25th June - Maths
Fri 26th June - English

Friday 3rd July

Last day of Term 2



Monday 20th July

First day of Term 3

Tuesday, 28th July

Year 7&8 Cross Country
More info to come



CAMP ADAIR 2026

I went to year 7 camp and it was so much fun. The instructors and parent helpers were really supportive and encouraging. The Camp was an unforgettable experience, not just from me, lots of my friends had a blast too.

My favourite activity that we did was definitely the super fox. The super fox is this really high pole that we have to climb up. Once we got to the top, one of the instructors connected us onto a cord then... we jumped. As I jumped it kind of felt like I was floating but falling at the same time. Everyone in my group did the super fox and enjoyed it. I'm pretty sure all the other groups did too.

Overall, camp was a time I'll never forget; either its the new friends, activities or the food I'll keep in mind that I got to experience this special time.

By Athena Paul



SUPER FOX

As I climbed, my knees trembled tremendously as I made my way up the tall pole. My sweaty palms clasped onto the cool metal ladder.

"One... two... three... four..." I whispered to myself as I ventured even higher. I was extremely frightened of heights. Once I reached a certain point, my knees would go weak and my body would start shaking violently. Not today, I thought. I was about 80% of the way up the pole when I accidentally looked down—and it happened. Suddenly, my legs stopped working and beads of sweat formed on my forehead. I was completely frozen on the pole. I could tell everyone was shouting below, telling me to keep going, but their voices faded into a distant buzz as my brain flooded with thoughts.

Suddenly, my instructor spoke. "Grab my hand," she said.

Hesitantly, I reached out, and she pulled me up. That was even scarier—we were now standing on a tiny platform.



By Samantha Torres



MUD SLIDE

I sat on the slide and, with a big push from the teacher, I went zooming down. At the end of the slide, I was launched into a muddy, watery, icy oblivion. Then I swam back to the surface, frozen to death!

By Joshua Wang

LEAP OF FAITH

Click! The harness snapped onto my body, and all of a sudden I was climbing the tallest tree I had ever seen. I looked up, but the tree just kept going higher and higher.

When I reached the top, my heart started pounding like someone banging on a door. Looking down, everything seemed miniature, and I felt like a giant.

"Come down!" I heard a voice call. I knew I had to jump.

I took one big breath, then another. This was the moment.

I'm doing it!

As I leapt, I felt like I was flying like a bird. The Leap of Faith was the best activity.

By Richelle Richard



KAYAKING

As quick as a flash, the silence was interrupted by our instructor, Charlotte, asking for volunteers to walk across the kayaks that were packed tightly together like wooden planks on a bridge.

Genna and Callan volunteered to swap kayaks and successfully completed the seemingly impossible task.

I then asked to be tipped out into the cold waters and swam to the rocky shore while holding onto my kayak. As I reflected on the magical and unforgettable experience, my arms were aching, but no activity could compare to kayaking at Camp Adair.

By Kit Pilkington



THANK YOU

I want to congratulate the Year 7 campers. We departed with three main goals.

- SPIRITUAL GROWTH – drawing closer to God
- Learning to live, play and work together and helping those less able than ourselves.
- Having a good time with old friends and forming new friendships with others

During our three wonderful days together I was consistently impressed at the way our students supported and encouraged each other to do their best and be their best as they faced extreme activities in a new environment away from the comfort and support of home and school. They demonstrated love for God and for each other throughout our Camp Adair experience.

Lastly, a huge thank you to our guest Elim speakers and to our amazing staff and parents who consistently supported our campers through every aspect of camp and made it all possible. Thank you so much!

Shane Hutchinson





STUDENT SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

THIS IS A COURTESY NOTICE 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. THROUGH OUR COLLECTIVE ACTIONS AROUND THIS MATTER, WE ENABLE POSITIVE LEARNING DEVELOPMENT FOR STUDENTS' AWARENESS OF THEIR SAFETY AND OTHERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

SOME TIPS TO ASSIST WITH IMPROVING ROAD USER 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.

PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE U-TURNS, RATHER USE THE SIDE STREETS OR LOOP AROUND BOB CHARLES DRIVE TO GO THE OTHER WAY.

MIDDLE YEARS STUDENTS WITH SIBLINGS IN THE JUNIOR SCHOOL ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE THE SIDE ENTRANCES: SIMON OWEN AND MONTECITO PLACE. PLEASE ADHERE TO ROAD RULES IN THESE RESIDENTIAL ROADS.

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 DOUBLE PARKING IS PERMITTED.

NO VEHICLES ARE TO ENTER THE SCHOOL BUS BAY DURING PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF TIMES.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT 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 ROAD RULES STILL MUST BE ADHERED TO. ENSURE YOUR CHILD EXITS YOUR VEHICLE ONTO THE PAVEMENT SIDE, NOT THE ROADSIDE.

ALL ADULTS AND CHILDREN SHOULD BE USING THE DESIGNATED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING TO CROSS THE ROAD SAFELY AT ALL TIMES.

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