



A FUTURE & A HOPE

GOLFLANDS CAMPUS MIDDLE YEARS

WELCOME BACK TO 2026

Kia ora Parents, Caregivers & Whānau,

Welcome to the 2026 School Year! I trust that you have all had a relaxing holiday and feel ready for what the new year at school holds for your children. We are very excited to get back into the routines of school and especially excited to get into our newly refurbished Middle Years places.

We welcome Mrs Lydie Granat to a permanent position in the Middle Years team this year. Mrs Granat will be the Pastoral Lead for our Year 8 students. We also warmly welcome Mr Geoff Wang to our team. Mr Wang has joined the Middle Years team from the Junior Years team and will be taking our PE classes across Year 7 - 9.

It was great seeing so many of our new students and families attend the mihi whakatau this morning. I trust that this time together was able to ease some of the stress of starting a new school that students can feel, and I hope that it also brought some excitement for starting next week too.

A few key reminders:

- There will be **no Kindo lunch** orders on the 2nd of February.
- Please **label all school uniform items**, so it can be returned or found in the lost property.
- **Police Vetting** - If you are wanting to help out on school trips, camps and sports teams, all parent helpers need to have a current Police vetting at our school. Please contact the office if you need to do a Police vetting or to check if it is still current.
- If **Parents come on site during the day**, please make sure you **sign in at the office**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you cannot find the information you are looking for on our website - <https://www.elim.school.nz/>.

I pray God's peace over you and your family this weekend as you prepare for the start of the school year.

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

TERM 1 UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, 2 February:

First day of school for all students.

Friday, 6th February:

School closed - Waitangi day

Thursday, 12th February:

Photolife Portrait Photos

Wednesday, 18th February

Welcome to Middle Years: Meet the Teacher Evening. 6:30pm in the Golflands Campus School Hall

Year 7 Camp

16th - 18th March

CHANGES TO BELL TIMES

8:40AM-8:50AM - TUTOR CLASS

8:50AM-9:50AM - PERIOD 1

9:50AM-10:50AM - PERIOD 2

10:50AM-11:10AM - MORNING TEA

11:10AM-12:10PM - PERIOD 3

12:10AM-1:10PM - PERIOD 4

1:10PM-2:00PM - LUNCH BREAK

2:00PM-3:00PM - PERIOD 5



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

All students start back on site on Monday, 2nd February 2026. School begins at 8.40 am.

Class lists will be displayed on the windows of the School Hall and in the year-level areas.

Teachers will be out and about in their trademark high viz Pink vests to direct students.

Students go to their tutor spaces at 8.40 am where tutor teachers will touch base with all students before starting some orientation rotation talks with our Pastoral team. Regular timetabled classes will begin for Period 4 and 5.

Please note that there will be no lunch orders available on the 2nd of February. Please come to school with your own lunch.

UNIFORM

Please refer to the school website for requirements and further information regarding uniform expectations. <https://www.elim.school.nz/uniform/>
Please ensure that all items are clearly named.

Please note:

- During summer months we strongly encourage students to wear a hat when outside.
- Sandals are also a uniform option in terms 1 and 4 only (summer). They must be plain black, Roman-style and include a back strap and not have logos. "Cage style" non-leather sandals are acceptable. Sandals must be worn without socks. Sandals are not allowed during practical technology and science classes for safety reasons - students who choose to wear sandals on a given day must ensure they bring their approved black school shoes to change into before attending these specific lessons
- For girls whose hair reaches the collar, it must be tied up and off the face at all times. Hair for boys must not reach the collar and must be off the face at all times. If it is tied up, a single black hair tie is permitted.
- No outlandish hairstyles are permitted and no nail or hair extensions are permitted. No exceptions.
- Girls' skirts must be knee length- when seated the skirt is on the knee.
- Single small loops or plain studs can be worn in ear lobes only. Apart from a watch, no other jewellery is permitted.
- Appropriate Taonga may be worn, we acknowledge and celebrate the cultural significance of Taonga worn by students.
- No religious symbols need to be worn.
- Further information about uniforms can be found on our website.



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SPORT AT THE MIDDLE YEARS

Within the first few weeks, all sporting codes will be advertised on the Schoology newsfeed. Students will be taught how to read the newsfeed, sign up for expressions of interest, and join groups. Please be patient with us as this process takes pace. More about our clubs and codes will also be explained at our Meet the Teacher evening on the 18th of February. I do look forward to seeing you all there.

A friendly reminder that any parent wanting to assist with sports or extracurricular coaching, managing or transportation must be known by the school and also have an up-to-date police vetting approval. Police vetting is required for all Parent Helpers. If you need more information about Police Vetting please email golflands@elim.school.nz

STUDENT HANDBOOK

- Please read through the Student Handbook which contains lots of useful information for both parents and students about uniform, absence protocols, traffic, etc. <https://sites.google.com/elim.school.nz/student-handbook>





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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