

MT ALBERT CAMPUS NEWSLETTER

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Susadei Soksaby,

Greetings to you all today in Khymer, the language of the Cambodian people. I have had the privilege of spending two weeks with our Year 13 mission team in Cambodia. We traveled with Asian Outreach New Zealand and the Elim City Church Team. It was an incredible time for the team as we were immersed in the history, culture and current struggles of the country. It has left a lasting appreciation in the students for what they have at home and a much deeper understanding of the battles others face just to have fresh water, education, personal hygiene and freedom. The students will be sharing their impact stories with all of the assemblies next week.

This week we have once again faced some changeable weather, four seasons in a day at times. We hope that your family has not been impacted too badly by this. It is a timely reminder to ensure your children have winter uniforms. These should be worn correctly to and from school. Can you ensure these are named so found items can be returned immediately to your child? Purchases can be made online through John Russell Schoolwear or by visiting the store in Howick. Please look at the student handbook for the uniform required as it differs across year levels.

Winter sports are underway for many teams. It has been good to see the interest in our Central Zone and Eden/Albert sports tournaments. In order to go to these events or other day trips we need all students to have the EOTC blanket consent completed for the year. This will alleviate the need to fill in a permission form for each event separately. Your child's tutor or pastoral care teacher will let you know if this is outstanding for your child. Please also apply for police clearance if you haven't done so already so you are able to offer to help on these trips.

In finishing this week, our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the Whangārei Boys' High School student who tragically lost his life in the caving accident at Abbey Caves.

Lee hi Tania Calvert



Thank you for your patience with the construction works in McLean Street. McLean Street and Allendale Roads are now available for parking before and after school. Please park and walk in to collect your children. Do not queue to get into the carpark as this will block the street.



The inaugural Elim Christian College mission trip to Cambodia in April was a resounding success! With the support of our partners Elim Christian Centre, Elim Cambodia and Asian Outreach Cambodia and the support of Mrs Calvert, we travelled the length and breadth of Cambodia visiting Siem Reap, Stung Treng and Phnom Penh.

We were able to see and participate in many mission projects such as drilling for clean water, assisting children to school, teaching young people PowerPoint, women's empowerment projects and evangelistic "Happy Clubs". We visited churches and schools and took part in programmes there and also visited the world heritage site Angkor Wat, swum in the Sekong River, cruised the Mekong River and visited the killing fields of Phnom Penh.

Thank you for your prayer and support, it really made a difference. We travelled very well and everyone maintained good health through out.







"Cambodia was such a great opportunity and really eye opening. I'm so grateful that I was able to go on this mission trip. It was really special being able to be around others that we were able to help and support. It was super impactful seeing just how appreciative the children and people there are and how joyful they are over the small things, it makes me feel really grateful for what I have."

Gabrielle Ford, Year 13





'It's good to be comfortable with being uncomfortable'

Having the opportunity to travel to Taiwan is an experience we will never forget. On the 13th of April, 12 students from both Botany and Mt Albert campuses and two teachers landed in the bustling streets of Taipei. From then onwards commenced two weeks of non-stop adventure, ranging from visiting the Shilin Night Markets to staying overnight at Farglory Ocean Park in Hualien, to visiting various schools and an indigenous village in Taitung.

During our travels, we learnt a great deal about the history, customs and way of life in Taiwan, such as the language and the flavourful local cuisine. A personal highlight for many of us was experiencing the life of a typical Taiwanese high school student, where each of us spent a full school day of nine hours at one of the high schools. Additionally, we gained a newfound appreciation for the importance of communication and language. Attempting to overcome the language barrier with our broken Mandarin was quite the struggle at first but, during the course of the trip, we managed to learn a few more phrases to take back to New Zealand.

A great trip starts with a great team. Our team of 12 amazing students has made things possible and we were so blessed to have this opportunity to be able to learn more about ourselves, the Taiwanese culture and also appreciate each other. This trip has also helped many of us to become more independent and organised. We truly appreciate the hard work of Mrs. Liu and Mr. Briscoe in making this trip possible. Many commented that they would definitely love to go to Taiwan again to visit the places and friends!

Overall, our trip to Taiwan was a transformative experience that expanded our worldview and provided us with new insights and perspectives, and the memories and lessons we took away from this trip will definitely stay with us for years to come.









YEAR 1

Miss Natalie Harbott

Year 1 learnt to dance to the count of eight. We tried lots of different ways to move our body and everyone shared ideas for a move that we could do together. There was hopping, jumping, twirling, frog jumps, winks, shoulder shrugs, toe tapping and much more fun. In small groups, we chose thre moves and joined them together to make a small routine.

Everyone showed Māia by performing in front of the class.

Ka rawe!!







YEAR 1, 2 AND 3 FRIDAY MORNING TEAM PRAYER

Miss Natalie Harbott



"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them bv mv Father in heaven."

Matthew 18.19





ISRAELI DANCING GROUP

Mrs Lauren Dixon

Israeli Dancing Group meets on Monday lunchtime. All MAC students are welcome!





YEAR 2 ANZAC POPPY ART

Mrs Lauren Dixon

ANZAC Poppy art with Miss Jeong.





The students' He mahitahi (teamwork) was excellent and they showed so much māia when they performed their own short routines in front of the class.







WALK!



TRAVELWISE WEEK 4

Miss Yeonie Jeong

It's good for:

Your health The environment Your pocket Your social life

Our school is a TravelWise school.

We encourage you to walk your children to and from school as it:



- Helps them to arrive at school awake, alert and ready to learn
- Keeps the school gate area clear of parked cars so it is safer for everyone
- Helps your child to become familiar with their community and to learn road sense skills
- Saves on petrol money



FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Mrs Amanda Abrahams

In the pictures below, the Year 8 students are making dumplings and the Year 7 students and Ashley are making smoothies. At the end of last term the Year 9 and 10 students had to create a dessert using only New Zealand made ingredients. Here are some of their creations.















GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO TĀWHARANUI

Mr Nigel Cato

Students in Year 12 and 13 Geography are conducting an investigation into the characteristics of different beach types. On the 27th May we visited Pt Chev beach and on 8th May we managed to find a break in the weather to travel to Tāwharanui, where we studied two contrasting beaches - Anchor Bay and Jones Bay. The students measured beach profiles and wind speeds, observed surf and wave conditions and took sediment samples. They will analyse this data back at school in order to better understand the different natural elements, processes and agents that interact to form coastal environments.











GATEWAY

Amisha Chauhan, Year 12

During the two weeks of the Term 1 holidays I went to the Auckland Domestic Airport for work experience through Gateway. Ever since I was young, I wanted to work for Air New Zealand... and here I am doing a Gateway placement with them. I am so thankful for that! I personally really loved the experience and all the friends I have made! I loved the environment that the Air New Zealand family made, as it made me feel welcomed into their Whānau! Thank you so much Elim for giving me this opportunity.

SECONDARY FRIDAY WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

Annette Paul, Senior Worship Team, Year 11

When I sing at worship, it aligns me with God. It humbles me so I see his purposes, brings clarity to my thoughts and buoyancy to my spirit. And it's my most reliable way to experience my core identity as a child of God. During worship assembly, I put away all my worries and just focus on How God can just wipe away all those worries.



WORLD VISION

Amisha Chauhan, World Vision leader, Year 12



Hello School!

I hope your week is going well! The 40 Hour Challenge is coming up fast, which is run by World vision. It's been held since 1975 and World Vision is an International Christian organisation, which supports families and communities who suffer from extreme poverty and injustice.

This year World Vision's goal is to provide clean water to those who don't have it in places like Malawi. Sadly, statistics have shown that "every day 800 children (more than double our school) pass away due to unclean water." As a school, we can help World Vision reach their goal, so they can place clean water pumps for the families and communities overseas!

You may be thinking about how can we help World Vision reach their goal? Well, each year thousands of young Kiwi's challenge themselves for 40 hours. Some ideas are not talking for 40 hours, or perhaps showing 40 acts of kindness within the 40 hours. We challenge everyone to get creative with their ideas!

The 40 hour challenge is being held from **16-18th of June** (Friday-Sunday).



sign up NOW!



- Go to the world vision website and click "Sign in" or "Create an account"
- Join the "Elim Christian College" team.
- Personalise your page and share your profile with your friends and family!

We encourage everyone to sign up and participate in this year's 40 Hour Challenge! Last year as a school, we raised over 15K and our goal this year is to fundraise 20K! Together we can accomplish our goal! Please consider signing up.

WORLD VISION CONFERENCE

Emily Wood, World Vision leader, Year 13

On the 2nd of May the World Vision Leaders attended the World Vision Youth Conference.

The team had an incredible time learning about social justice issues and how we can make a positive impact in the world. There were some incredible leadership speakers who inspired us around how they took a stand against injustice and gave us lots of practical advice on how we can do the same. It was very cool to meet lots of like-minded youth and collaborate on cool ideas for how we can run this year's 40 hour challenge in our schools - to help take a stand against the lack of clean water and make it accessible for all.

It was a very valuable experience and the WV leaders are geared up and excited for this year's 40 hour challenge.



ARISE PARENTS PRAYER GROUP



Do you have a heart for prayer?

We are would love you to join us for our ARISE Prayer Group. We invite all parents, caregivers and grandparents of the school wanting to pray.

The purpose of this group is to cover our school, staff, students and families in prayer and continue to stand in the gap uplifting our school before God.

Every Friday 8:40 am - 9:00 am in the staff room.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM

We are currently collecting quality second-hand uniform items. Please drop off any items you have at the school office. We will be having a second-hand uniform sale at school soon.



YEAR 9 AND 10 PAINTING







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