

26th July 2021

**Mt Albert Campus
Year 0 to 2
Activities/Permission Slip**

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

Welcome back to Term 3. We are excited about the term ahead, especially with regard to the learning experiences the Year 0 to 2 team is planning.

The Year 0 to 2 teaching team includes:

Year 1, Room 8 -Miss Sarah Tait and Mrs Jeanette Starrenburg

Year 2, Room 7 - Mrs Savannah Morris

Learning Assistant, Mrs Rachel Kirkham

Literacy Activator, Mrs Lynda Butler

ESOL teacher and Classroom Release Teacher, Mrs Joanna Emery

Music classes and groups , Mrs Yung Chang

This term, our school wide focus is:

- Biblical Theme - **‘God calls us to serve’**
- Elim Exploration Theme - Community
- Vision – **Actively participating in our local community**
- Principles – Community Engagement and Inclusion
- ARISE Key Competencies:

Achievement:

- I know how I learn best.
- I know what motivates/demotivates my learning.
- I know what I know and what I need to find out.
- I can put ideas together in new ways.

Skills:

- I am learning to carefully listen and try not to interrupt.
- I can speak and pray with growing confidence.
- I can share my learning with others.
- I can work well with others.

UNIFORM: All items of school uniform may be worn summer or winter as appropriate to the weather conditions. With the cold/wet weather, items which best allow students to be comfortably/suitably dressed in full school uniform at all times, can be chosen. Refer to the school website for requirements. Please ensure that all items are clearly named.

Please note: Black unisex track pants *with reinforced knees* are available only from John Russell. These may be worn in Terms 2/3 only. No alternate track pants may be worn.

Long sleeve polo shirts may be worn in Terms 2/3 only.

HOMEWORK: Students will receive a homework sheet every week. Weekly homework will include learning a memory verse, word rings or spelling, and reading. On Fridays, we will test memory verse, word rings or spelling. Please sign your child’s homework book every day. See your child’s homework book for more information.

Please note that home reading books must be carried in a book bag and must be returned to school before your child is given a new one.

At the beginning of each term, please tick on the first homework sheet to show that you have updated your children or child’s information. Please send any changes in medical information/address/phone number, etc. to:

macadmin@elim.school.nz

Mathletics / Reading Eggs: Payment of this subscription is optional this year. You are still able to sign your child up for these through the family subscription on their website, and you can roll over your child’s school account to a private one. Maths Buddy and Maths Whizz are also effective programmes depending on the purpose you want to subscribe to an external programme. We highly recommend these programmes to enhance your child’s understanding of the subjects and to provide practice opportunities at home. *This is especially important if your child needs support in achieving the expected levels in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.*

Before and after-school care

Carpe Diem Kids provides before and after-school care offsite. Students are dropped to school in the morning and collected from school in the afternoon. Information about this service can be accessed via their website -

<https://carpediemkids.co.nz/>

Waste Management and Minimisation: Responding to requests from parents, and meeting the needs of waste management/minimisation and recycling endeavours on site, we have come up with a solution to take effect at the start of Term 2 - all students will be required to take their morning-tea and lunch wrappers, uneaten food, etc. home with them. They cannot dispose of it at school. We would still like to strongly encourage all our parents to pack lunches in reusable containers and to buy in bulk. Please refer to the websites below for suggestions and tips with packing zero-waste lunch ideas:

<https://kidspot.co.nz/school-age/litterless-lunchbox-ideas/> <https://sustaintrust.org.nz/blogs/sustainability-advice/litterless-lunches>

<https://sortwaste.nz/zero-waste-office-lunchbox-ideas/>

<https://wholefully.com/zero-waste-school-lunches/>

Notices: To keep you up to date, Parents please refer to our school website where you can check notices and our current school calendar. If you are not receiving these notifications, please contact the Mt Albert Campus.

The following dates and activities may be helpful to know:

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
Week 1 Monday, 26 th July		First day of school	
Week 1	All week	Life Education Caravan	Mt Albert Campus
Week 2 Thursday 5 th August		Group/Team Photos	MAC Hall
Week 3 Tuesday, 10 th August		Teacher Only Day	
Week 3 Friday 13 th August	All day	Cultural Day and Concert (Time of concert TBC)	Mt Albert Campus Concert Venue TBC
Week 4 16 th August - 20 th August		Travelwise Week	
Week 5	All week	In class individual poetry competition	Pastoral classes
Week 5	9:00am	New families morning tea Week 5 Tuesday 24 th August	MAC Staffroom
Week 6 Friday, 3 rd September	2pm	Year 1-3 Poetry Recital	MAC Hall
Week 9 27 th September - 1 st October	All week	Book week	
Week 9 Thursday, 30 th September	9:00am	Book Character Parade	MAC Hall
Week 10 Friday, 1 st October	3.00pm	Last day of school	

Please complete the online form by Friday, 6th August 2021.

<https://forms.gle/Fw3igXqshcjeHVsv6>

We have an open door policy. Teachers have devotions until 8:25am. Pastoral Care Teachers are available in their classrooms to answer questions and to chat briefly about minor issues from 8:25 - 8:40am and again, after school.

Alternatively, if you would like time to talk in more depth, please make an appointment with the teacher. They will be more than happy to make time to discuss the matter with you.

We are looking forward to another great term of learning.

Yours sincerely

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