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Principal's Update

Kia Ora parents and caregivers,

As we near the end of term three, there are some important pieces of news that I would like to share with you all.

Board Student Representative - Result

I would like to thank the seven students who put their names forward for consideration as the student representative to the Board. It was heartening to see so many of our senior students who wanted to support the work of the school in this significant governance role. I am pleased to congratulate Praise Pamhidzhai, who was elected by her peers in our recent elections. I look forward to welcoming her to the board at our next meeting.

Notice of Strike Action - This does not include Elim Christian College

You may have seen in the media this week that Secondary school teachers are taking part in strike action this week, with certain year levels being rostered home. I would like to reiterate that this action does not include our school, as we are an Area school and operate under a different collective agreement. All levels of our school will continue to operate as normal.

Playground for middle years students

Many of you will have seen the new playground structure that is being built alongside the sports turf. It is so exciting to see this come into shape after so much work and fundraising by our community. The final product is excellent and I know that there are many students who are keen to try it out! We will open this space at the start of next term, with students initially rostered so that it does not become overcrowded during the initial excitement. This playground has a higher level of challenge than our other junior play areas and so, this playground will be for the use of students in years 5 and above only. Other junior students will continue to use the junior playground. We will hold an opening ceremony for this playground on Monday, 6th October at 8:40 am. Parents are welcome to attend this event.

Term three holidays - rest and preparation

As our students head off to a holiday break, and our teachers get some time and space to prepare for term 4, I will be praying for God's rest and abundance to be with you all. We know from Scripture that our God is interested in our physical and mental well-being alongside our spiritual walk.

For our Senior students who are preparing for examinations, I wish you all the best with your study - please remember to also rest and recover alongside the work that you are doing. I know that God honours preparation and diligence and I encourage you to take these next two weeks as an important part of being ready to do your very best in these examinations.

Hebrews 4:9-11

There remains, then, a Sabbath rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from His. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.

Colossians 3:23

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Ngā mihi nui

Mr Julian Adamson

Principal