



14 November 2025

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

**SWIMMING at Lloyd Elsmore – Term 1 for Years 4-6**

The John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation has invited your child's school to participate in their Community Swim programme.

Established in 2008 Community Swim has provided over 1,500,000 free swim lessons throughout primary schools in Auckland South.

Community Swim is proudly sponsored by the Lion Foundation, Auckland Council, Foundation North and Water Safety New Zealand.

Your school has elected to participate in this programme and we welcome your child's attendance in this learn to swim initiative.

Your child will be taking part in swimming lessons with Community Swim. Seven 30-minute learn to swim lessons are delivered by qualified swimming instructors from the Swimgym swim school.

The children are transported to and from school in special Community Swim buses.

**Swimming lessons will start on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 and finish on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

**Police vetting for Volunteers / Parent Helpers**

Elim Christian College operates on the Ministry of Education's best practice. As with any class trips and/or activities planned (for example being a **Parent Helper to help supervise these swimming sessions**) - all volunteers are required to hold a current police clearance.

If you are unsure of your current police vetting status, please email [golfands@elim.school.nz](mailto:golfands@elim.school.nz) for assistance. If you would like to volunteer but are not police-vetted via our school as yet, please note that this can take up to a month to process so we would encourage you to do this as soon as possible.

What you need to do to get vetted:

- Come to the school office in person with your original driver's license and passport.
- Fill in and sign the paper form at the office
- Pay the \$10 admin fee by eftpos

If you have any questions in regards to vetting, please don't hesitate to email [golflands@elim.school.nz](mailto:golflands@elim.school.nz).

Teachers will be in contact very early next year to ask for Parent Helpers to help supervise students for swimming, if we don't have enough Parent Helpers some classes might have to miss out on swimming for that day. We do need as many vetted Parent Helpers for swimming as possible.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Ngā mihi

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Golflands Campus Junior Years