



14 October 2025

Dear Parents and Whanau

Year 5 Camp 2026

For those of you who like time to think ahead; the much awaited Year 5 Camp at Willow Park Christian Camp is booked for **31st March - 2 April 2026**.

If you think you would like to attend as a parent helper for the first day supporting us with beach activities, or attend for all three days as a group parent, then please save the date and note that **police clearance is necessary**. Please check with the school office this year, if you have a current police clearance, and see when yours expires since they take approximately 6 weeks to process.

As an approximate idea of cost to help you with budgeting, the camp will likely be approximately \$250. This covers three days accommodation, all meals and a range of adventurous activities.

Payment in full is required before camp - this will be charged to your child's KAMAR account, to enable you to pay via the parent portal. We are required to advise the camp of the confirmed number of attendees, therefore payments are required to be made before **24th March 2025**. If you need to discuss this, please contact Mrs Groenewald in the strictest of confidence brieta.groenewald@elim.school.nz.

At the start of next year's 'Welcome to our learning spaces event', there will be a 'Year 5 Camp' information event also. If you feel that your child could be nervous to be away from home, then the holidays might be a nice time to visit Eastern beach and see the location of the camp, so that your child can realise that it is very close to home. Possibly a torch or sleeping bag would be exciting birthday or Christmas gifts. Full details and information will be shared in 2026.

The Year 5 teachers look forward to creating a fun and memorable camp experience for the Year 5 children.

Kind regards

Mrs Juliana Lee & Mrs Kim James

(Phase 2 Leaders)