

20th March 2026

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

SWIMMING LESSONS (YEAR 3 ONLY):

Our Year 3 classes will also be participating in swimming lessons with the Community Swim programme this term. Eight 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.

The goal of the Community Swim Programme is to enable all children to develop the basic life skills of swimming and water survival skills. This aids them to realize the opportunities that await when the door to the world of aquatics is opened.

Wednesday	Starts: 29th April	Last lesson: 17th June	Wednesdays: Room 4: 10:30am Room 5: 11am Room 6: 11.30am Bus leaves school 30 minutes before lesson times
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The Community Swim Bus will pick each group up approximately 30 minutes before each lesson.

Please let your child's Pastoral Care Teacher know if you can help supervise these sessions to ensure we have the correct adult/child ratio for safety reasons. Your availability can be entered using the permission form link below.

If we do not have enough adult helpers we will not be able to attend the lesson.

PARENT HELP: The school operates on the Ministry of Education's best practice. We have swimming lessons, class trips and activities planned for this year. These cannot go ahead if the adult:child ratio is not met.

All Parent helpers / volunteers are required to hold a current police vetting done by Elim Christian College. If you are unsure of your police vetting status, or would like to submit a new one, please contact golflands@elim.school.nz. If you are not police-vetted via our school as yet, please note that this takes a few weeks to process.

[Year 3 Swimming Permission Form](#)

Yours sincerely
The Year 3 Teachers