



# A FUTURE & A HOPE

## GOLFLANDS CAMPUS JUNIOR YEARS

Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am with them." - Matthew 18:20. We believe in the power of community here at Elim Christian College, and we're so grateful for all the families, teachers, and staff who make our school such a special place. This newsletter is a way for us to connect and share important information about upcoming events, student successes, and more.

If you could not make it to our 'Welcome to our Learning Spaces' evening event, I encourage you to make an appointment to have a korero with your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you for filling in the permission slips so quickly, as weekly swimming lessons and cricket training started already.

If there are any Parents able to help **coach or manage sports teams** this term - could you please get in contact with Mrs van Leeuwen. Thank you to those Parents who already made contact.

We are very excited to share the Student Leadership roles and the newly appointed students into those roles. As 1 Peter 4:11 teaches us, these students have stepped up and are using their God given talents to bless those around them. We pray that this year will be a year of growth as they serve their peers and school.

We are extremely excited to have our first **Maths No Problem Parent Information evening** on **Thursday, 27th March 2025** starting at 6pm. The Maths No Problem programme is giving learners the extraordinary maths journey they deserve. We invite all Parent to this special evening explaining what and how the programme works.

**ELIM Maori Parents Hui:** Nau mai, Haere mai - Mr Adamson, the Junior and Middle Years Leadership Team warmly invite you to join us for our first Hui in the Staffroom on **Wednesday, 3rd April 2025** 6pm- 8pm.

We look forward to many exciting opportunities for our students this term.

Have a blessed term.

Ngā mihi nui

Mrs Brieta Groenewald Deputy Principal  
(Golflands Campus Junior Years)

### TERM 1 UPCOMING EVENTS

**Fridays, 14 February till 4 April:**

Weekly swimming lessons for  
Year 3 - 6 Students



**\$2 Ice Block Fundraiser**

Thursday, 6 March



**Ministry Provided Teacher  
Development Day (Year 1 - 8)**

Friday, 7 March

(School closed for Year 1 - 8)

**Year 5 Camp**

12 - 14 March

**\$2 TMT Mufti day**

27 March

**Maths No Problem Parent  
Information evening**

27 March from 6 - 7 pm

**Cultural day**

Thursday, 3 April

**Winning house mufti (free of charge)**

Thursday, 10 April



**Easter Assembly at Golflands**

*(please note the change in venue).*

11 April at 8.40am



**Last day of term**

Friday, 11 April



REMEMBER

IMPORTANT!

## IMPORTANT REMINDER: NO PETS ON SCHOOL SITE

A friendly reminder that, for the safety and well-being of all students and staff, pets are not permitted on school grounds. While we understand the love you have for your furry friends, their presence can sometimes create unexpected situations, especially with children who may have allergies or fears. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our school a safe and welcoming environment for everyone. Thank you for your understanding.

THANK YOU  
THANK YOU



## IMPORTANT REMINDER: RESPECTING STUDENT PRIVACY



The Privacy Act 2020 exists to promote and protect individual privacy by providing a framework for protecting personal information. With this in mind, we'd like to remind everyone about the importance of respecting student privacy. We understand the desire to capture special school moments, but it's crucial to remember that not all parents wish for their children's images to be shared publicly.

Therefore, we kindly ask that you refrain from taking photos or videos of other students at school events or on school grounds. Please focus on capturing memories of your own child. Sharing photos or videos of other students on social media or any other platform is a privacy concern and we ask kindly for all Parents to refrain from doing so.

We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring a safe and respectful environment for all our children. Thank you for your understanding.

## GOLFLANDS CAMPUS - OFFICE EMAIL

If parents want to contact school please use [golflands@elim.school.nz](mailto:golflands@elim.school.nz) as the email address.

## ABSENCES

We ask that all students arriving after 8:40am sign in at the office using the electronic tablet provided. The office staff will assist younger children with this. Parents / Caregivers will be contacted where ongoing patterns of lateness continue. It is expected that all students are on site before the 8:30am bell.

If your child will be more than half an hour late to school, need to be picked up early or will be absent - please fill in the Absence Web Form on our school website before 9am on that day: [https://www.elim.school.nz/absence\\_form/](https://www.elim.school.nz/absence_form/)

**Please do not email or message the Teacher to say your child is going to be away or picked up early.**

# MEDICATION

No medicine to be held in school bag, please bring all medicine/inhalers/tablets to the office for safe keeping. If a child needs to take medicine at a certain time of day, please see Mrs Bishop in the office and she will make sure it will be given to them at the right time.

# OFFICE - PARENT PASS

Parents please come through the office to get a Parent Pass - and not head straight up to their child's class during school hours. This is a safety process for all our students and staff. Please support us in coming to the office to take a Parent Pass.

# POLICE VETTING

Please make sure your police-vetting documentation is up to date if you are keen to support with school activities. There is a \$10 administration fee to process Police Vetting Forms. Please ensure this is done as soon as possible, if you want to be a Parent Helper during our swimming sessions this term.

# SWIMMING - YEAR 3 - 6

## Swimming at Lloyd Elsmore – Term 1

Starts: Friday, 14 February 2025 and Last Friday of swimming: 4 April 2025.

10.00am - Room 11 (Year 6) (Bus leaves at 9.30am)

10.30am - Room 1 (Year 3)

11.00am - Room 2 (Year 3)

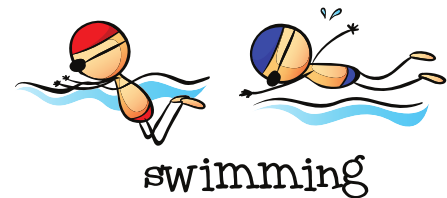
11.30am - Room 3 (Year 4)

12.30 pm - Room 4 (Year 4)

1.00pm - Room 12 (Year 6)

1.30pm - Room 14 (Year 5)

2.00pm - Room 13 (Year 5)



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, and come on the bus to ensure we have the correct adult/child ratio for safety reasons.

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

Please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher as soon as possible if you are able to assist. Police vetting is required for all Parent Helpers. If you need more information about Police Vetting please email [golflands@elim.school.nz](mailto:golflands@elim.school.nz)

Your child will be taking part in swimming lessons with Community Swim. 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 skill 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.

If your child owns a pair of goggles, we recommend they bring these along as this will assist considerably with their learning to swim. If your child has long hair, please ensure this is tied up for swimming.

# INTRODUCING OUR JY WHANAU LEADERS

## JEREMIAH WHANAU LEADERS



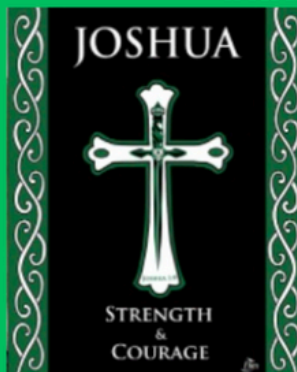
MIRIAM WALLIS & ZAYVIER FERNANDO

## EZEKIEL WHANAU LEADERS



KIT PILKINGTON & RACHEL SHEN

## JOSHUA WHANAU LEADERS



ABE LANGRIDGE & ELICE BEECHING

## DANIEL WHANAU LEADERS



GENNA CHERRY & JEREMIAH CHEUNG

# INTRODUCING OUR 2025 STUDENT LEADERS

## Student Librarians



Mia Pienaar, Megan Engelbrecht, Doris Vaipan, Aryana Naidoo, Sienna James, Sarai Hernandez, Grace Bishop, Eva-Grace Maxwell, Genna Cherry, Keziah Liang, Miriam Wallis, Allie Jiang, Talia Brown, Chelsea Joyce, Tanya Lai, Rachel Shen, Joycelyn Johnson, Mian Deyzel, Elian Chang, Grace Zou, Joshua Lee, Jaden Lee, Jeremiah Cheung, Kit Pilkington, Jason Dykgraaf, Daniel Gray.

## Worship Team



Grace Bishop, Grace Zou, Sarai Hernandez, Joycelyn Johnson, Allie Jiang, Nadine Jooste, Doris Vaipan, Rachel Shen, Elice Beeching, Tyler Ratnaraja, Isla Holtzhausen, Imogene Boddington, Jessica Wade, Hadley Spurdle, Harper Fox, Ria Kim, Leane Theron, Madelyn Willoughby, Vesper McLaren, Mikayla Henderson.

## Travelwise Team



Joanna Shi, Hannah Shen, Chloe Shen, Vesper McLaren, Esther Wang, Emmanuel Nair, Logan Gregory-Hunt, Ethan Chong, Kai Smith, Mac David Biasbas

## Tech Team



Daniel Gray, Jake Thein-Xie, Jason Dykgraaf, Joshua Lee, Simon Du Plooy, Callan Bailey, Nathan Johnson, Ryan Henning, Doris Vaipan, Grace Bishop, Elisha Canja, Carly Beckermann.

## Road Patrol Team



Allie Jiang, Genna Cherry, Joshua Lee, Elian Chang, Keziah Liang, Rachel Shen, Ethan Zhou, Lucas Lee, Joycelyn Johnson, Grace Bishop, Daniel Mansell, Jamie Wang, Kit Pilkington, Alexander Lee, Megan Engelbrecht, Nadine Jooste, Jake Thein-Xie, Jason Dykgraaf, Zayvier Fernando, Liam Badenhorst.

## Sport Monitors



Daniel Wright, Brent Schlachter, Daniel Gray, Joshua Lee, Elian Chang, Alexander Lee, Liam Badenhorst, Sarai Hernandez, Elias Sun, Daniel Mansell, Trenton Balemi, Ezra Eldershaw, Grace Zou, Joycelyn Johnson, Ryan Henning.

## Enviro Team



Daniel Wright, Jamie Wang, Max Chuang, Simon Du Plooy, Benjamin Li, Isaiah Bruneau-Herman Hayley Koen, Talia Brown, Tanya Lai, Annaliese Langdon, Kenzie Taylor

## Lunch Monitors



Aryana Naidoo, Elian Chang, Allie Jiang, Nadine Jooste, Chelsea Joyce, Sienna James, Megan Engelbrecht, Anya Stemmet, Chiara Fedrizzi, Annaliese Langdon, Max Chuang, Jason Dykgraaf, Elias Sun, Lucas Lee, Samuel Zhou, Ethan Rugnath

## Student Voice Representatives



Carly Beckermann, Elias Sun, Joshua Lee, Doris Vaipan, Rylee Tapu, Nathan Johnson, Hadley Spurdle, Hanniel Thomas, Dylan Spurdle, Caleb Arevelo, Leandra McLaren, Brian Ly, Phoebe John, Matthew Stapp, Sienna Pilkington, Asher Chung.

## Bus Monitors

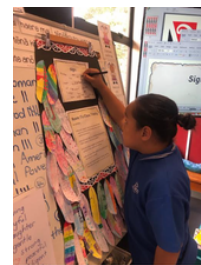
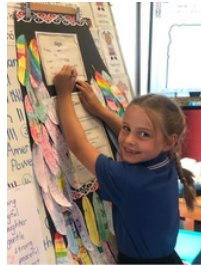


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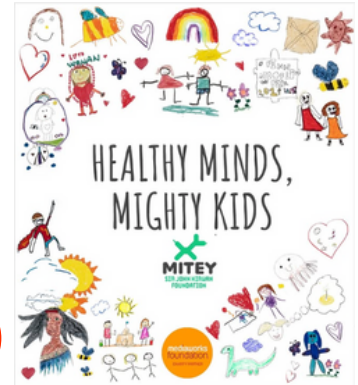
# MITEY SNIPPET

Mitey aligns with the NZ Health Education curriculum, and aims to help children build the necessary skills, knowledge and understanding they need to nurture their own emotional wellbeing and those of others. Health education is woven into everyday teaching to spark and stimulate new learning.

For example, in the first few weeks at Elim, teachers have been working with students to explore their own strengths and abilities that they themselves add to the classroom. Additionally, they have written class treaties with consideration of the kind of environment that helps them to learn.



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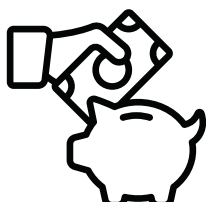
BE KIND  
TO  
YOUR MIND

# ASB GETWISE

Last week our Year 3-6 students participated in the ASB GetWise program. This program teaches financial literacy and is designed to equip students with essential money management skills in an engaging and interactive way.

The lessons help students develop a strong foundation in financial decision-making, covering topics like earning, saving, spending wisely, and budgeting. The program uses real-life scenarios, games, and activities to make learning about money fun and relevant.

Our students enjoyed their time with their GetWise teacher and gained a better understanding of money.



MONEY



# 2025 NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS - TERMS 3 & 4

If you have a younger sibling of a current student who will turn 5 in 2025 and you have not yet submitted an application form, please do so as soon as possible. We have limited spaces available in our New Entrant classes.

Please apply as per this link - <https://forms.gle/D8Mo1KmSC97tAiN17>

Please include scanned PDF copies of all the required supporting documentation, a list of which may be found on the online application page.

## CULTURAL DAY

As part of our Biblical theme God wants us to work, serve and live for the kingdom of God, we want to serve and celebrate all the different cultures in our school. Our special cultural day will be on Thursday, 3rd April 2025.

As part of the celebration we would like our students to experience different cultural activities run by Parents throughout the week during lunch times (from Monday, 31st March to Thursday, 3rd April). Keep in mind - the Year 3 – 6 students will still go swimming on Friday, 4th April 2025 as normal this term.

We would like to especially celebrate the following cultures during this term's cultural day (we will have another cultural day in Term 3 to celebrate other cultures in our school):

- Korean
- Indian
- South African
- Chinese

Some of these activities may include:

- learning a cultural dance or song
- doing a cultural craft
- learning some basic greetings / words in another language
- hearing about some cultural traditions
- viewing and learning about traditional cultural items or
- learning and playing a new cultural game.

We are blessed to have many students from different cultures as part of our school. In order for this week to be authentic and a success, we need Parents and/or extended family members to come along to school to share their culture and skills with our students.

If you are able to help us out for a few hours during the week 31st March - 3rd April, we would be grateful for your help. Please email Mrs Groenewald ([brieta.groenewald@elim.school.nz](mailto:brieta.groenewald@elim.school.nz)) by Friday, 21st March if you are able to assist in any way



### Revelation 7:9

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.



# SPORT @ ELIM - JUNIOR YEARS



## Parent Help Needed:

We are looking for parents or whanau members to coach a football team for Term 2. Training could be run before or after school, or in a lunch break. Please contact [anna.vanleeuwen@elim.school.nz](mailto:anna.vanleeuwen@elim.school.nz) if you are interested.

## Elim Swimming Sports Day:

Wednesday 5th March for Year 5 – Year 13 students (optional sign up).

Please use this link for more information and sign up details – [Swimming Sports](#) link.



## Elim Sport Website:

If you want to know anything about sport at Elim Christian College please go to the school website and click on Co-Curricular, then use the Elim Sport link to find our sports page.



## SportCirqls sign up:

In 2025 Elim Christian College will start using an app called SportCirqls for our communication about school sport. This will be our primary form of communication for sport at Elim. Parents have been sent an email asking them to sign up to SportCirqls.

Please click on the link and make sure that you do the following:

- 1: Click on sign up (free), select individual. Once you have done this you will receive a confirmation email.
- 2: Click on confirmation – Settings.
- 3: Once in Settings click on Organisation and type in Elim Christian College and select (please make sure notifications are turned on).
- 4: Click on Relationships and you can link yourself to your child/children

Please also help your child sign up by using the link sent to their school email address:

- 1: Click on the link that was emailed
- 2: Click on Sign up and individual
- 3: Complete sign up details
- 4: Click on confirmation email and sign in
- 5: Click on settings and go to played sports to select sports that they are interested in or want to play.
- 6: In settings, click on Organisation and make sure Elim is ticked.

If you have any questions regarding the set up of your child's SportCirqls account please contact [info@sportcirqls.com](mailto:info@sportcirqls.com).





# MUFTI DAY - TERM 1, 2025

**On March 27th, Elim Christian College will hold a \$2 school-wide mufti day to raise funds for the Tony McClean Nepal Trust.**

In 2007, Tony McClean achieved one of his dreams - to visit Nepal, meet and live with the people and trek in the Himalayan mountains. During his six month stay, Tony taught in a local school at Pokhara. He spent much of his spare time with children in an orphanage, helping with sports activities and caring for the children. How he loved playing soccer on the rough ground outside the orphanage! He constantly commented how, even with so little, the children were always happy. Tony was keen to explore Nepal and went on a number of treks in the Annapurna region. One of Tony's attributes was his ability to build relationships with others, and during his stay he made contacts with people undertaking humanitarian projects in local villages.

Tony's life was tragically cut short when he died in the canyoning disaster at Mangatepopo, along with 6 students of Elim Christian College on 15 April 2008. Much of his planning to achieve his vision of helping the people of Nepal was found on his laptop, and hence the Tony McClean Nepal Trust has been formed to fulfill Tony's vision. The underlying principle of the trust is that the potential for people in the world can only be reached when those who have resources, share them with those who do not, for the benefit of both.

The Tony McClean Nepal Trust (TNT) works amongst the Shudra communities of the Lamjung, Gorkha and Pokhara regions of Nepal. The trust's activities are designed to meet the socio-economic, health, educational and spiritual needs of Shudra and other marginalized people.

One of the things they pride ourselves on is their low running costs as a trust. They entirely run by volunteers who are passionate about the cause, allowing 99.9% of all funds they raise end up over in Nepal making a difference in the lives of people they partner with.

Thank you for your support. For more information please watch this [TNT video](#).



# ENTRY AND EXIT TO OUR SCHOOL SITE

Junior Years students are encouraged to enter and exit from the Golflands Drive gate unless accompanied by a Middle Years sibling, as the side gates (at Simon Owen Place and Montecito Place) will be locked at 8:45am in the morning and at 3:10pm in the afternoon. (These side gates will not be open on days that Middle Years students are off site.)

All students arriving after 8:40am must sign in at the school office.

## TRAFFIC MOVEMENT AROUND OUR SCHOOL

This is a courtesy note on behalf of the Elim Christian College Board of Trustees to assist the school community in traffic movement around the Golflands Campus during drop-off and pick-up time. We are committed to continually improving the safety of our children.

### Some tips to assist with improving safety:

We appreciate children being on time to school but if you are running late with your children, safety is still more important. You can simply take them to the office to sign in late.

Please use the Kea crossing before and after school.

Please do not u-turn in front of the school. Rather, use the side streets to loop around Bob Charles Drive to get to the other side.

It is against traffic laws to park within 1 metre of a driveway.

You are not permitted to park on yellow no-parking lines.

No traffic is to enter the school bus bay during pick-up and drop-off times.

No double parking is permitted.

Child safety remains the highest priority and so all road rules must be followed around our school.

**Thank you for your grace and kindness in supporting our school values on the road around our school.**



# ARISE PARENTS IN PRAYER

# ARISE

## Parents in Prayer

### Tuesdays @

### 8:40am Botany cafeteria

### 2:30pm Golflands courtyard

### *Come join our team!*

## KINDO - LUNCH ORDERS

Elim Christian College

Ordering your  
**SCHOOL LUNCH**  
is easy via **KINDO APP**

MON & FRI

SUBWAY



TUES, WEDS & FRI



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MYKINDO APP IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FOR BOTH ANDROID AND IPHONE

## \$2 - ICE BLOCKS SALE

Elim Christian College

Golflands campus

### ICE BLOCKS \$2

### Thursday 6 March

Our student leaders will be selling ice blocks during lunchtime to support our school fundraising efforts.

Bring cash or preorder via Kindo so you don't miss out!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



# HOW TO ORDER SCHOLASTICS?

 SCHOLASTIC

## Book Club LOOP for Parents

Here are eight easy steps for ordering via LOOP:

- 1** Log in, or create a new account
- 2** Follow the Wizard to set up the child's profile
- 3** Click the ORDER tab, select the child's school & class
- 4** Add the child's first name and last initial
- 5** Enter the product item number from the Book Club catalogue
- 6** Apply any promotional codes that have been earned
- 7** Make a payment via credit card
- 8** Await order arrival at the child's school

SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

