



Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

The Elim Christian College story is one of legacy. In this final newsletter, I want to highlight the Year 10s. What legacy are they building, and what legacy moments are they leaving? Our Middle Years students and the Art design team leave a mural each year. This year the theme was light. Their mural board this year is a beautiful image of a lighthouse.

Are we image-bearers for the Kingdom of God? Are we aware of when our light for Jesus shines? Are we shining light and truth into dark situations? Can we be a ray of light and hope to those around us? Jesus came so that He would be the guiding light in a dark world. He is the light of the gospel. Light is associated with God and His character; 1 John 1:15 says God is light and in Him there is no darkness at all.

After a year of terrific achievement, great learning; progress and outcomes, personal improvement, and resilience building my leaving prayer for you all is that you will always be a light that shines of hope into situations.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world. He was born for a purpose! Celebrate Christmas in the mess, in the brokenness but also in the beauty of the things around us.

Thank you to the staff and all the parents of this dynamic school community. In a week of significant farewells, it is a privilege to look back and see how far we've come.

We have had the privilege of loving your children, speaking hope into their hearts, and encouraging them in their two superpowers: Pray and read every day! God bless you all richly- Merry Christmas be kind, seek God's truth.

Shalom,
Mandy Heim



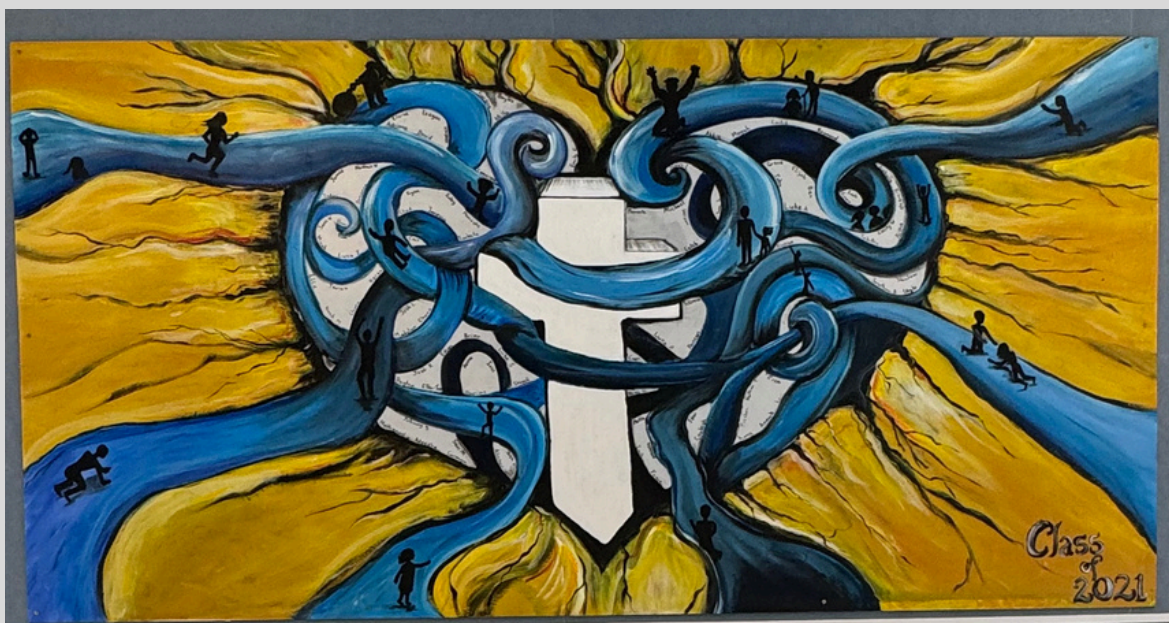
The Year 10 leaving murals. Each mural has a theme and every student in the year group gets to write their name on the design.



2023 Finding Eden, loving His creation



2022 God is with us in the fire



2021 Matters of the heart- healing at the cross



2020 Fractured, broken but still ticking through COVID



Each palm carries handprints

2019 finding peace in some wilderness moments

SCHOOLGY AND THE LIVE GRADEBOOK

In the Middle Years, instead of issuing traditional mid-year and end-of-year reports, parents can login to Schoology at any stage during the year and access the Live Schoology Gradebook. This is a continuous record of your child's learning which can be printed out or downloaded and saved as a PDF file.

All grades will be entered into Schoology by the end of this week. **Please download and save your child's Schoology record between Monday 16th December and Saturday 28th December.** After this the records will be archived and no longer available for you to access.

For detailed instructions on how to download a copy of your child's live gradebook, please refer to the Parent Guide to Schoology:

<https://www.elim.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/GCMY-Parent-Guide-to-Schoology.pdf>