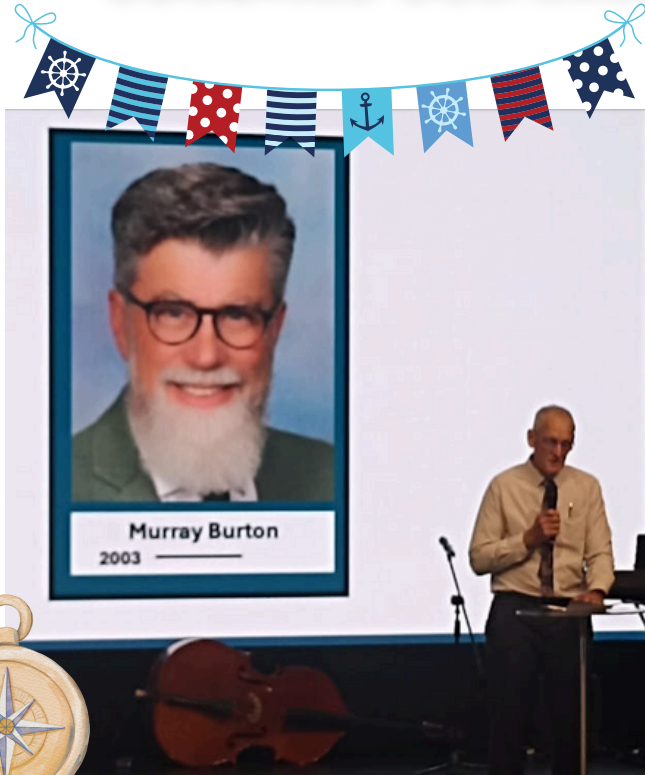




A FUTURE & A HOPE

COMBINED GOLFLANDS CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

Our 2024 school year is almost finished. Psalm 46:8-10 encourages us to say, "Come and see what the Lord has done". We have had an action packed year full of achievements and learned a lot from setbacks, trials, and terrific achievements.

Thank you parents for your attendance at many school events. In this combined newsletter we celebrate year-end prize-givings and the final assembly for Mr Burton, our current principal.

Please take note of the important dates for 2025 on the following page.

As the end of the school year draws to a close, can we encourage you and your precious children to pause, to pray, and to reflect on the goodness of God.

The birth of Jesus is the most significant and spectacular reminder that our Lord came to earth for an eternal purpose. He is our Saviour, our Lord and our friend.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas from the Golflands Campus Leadership Team

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **21st Jan:** Admin Office opens
- **3rd February:** School starts for all students (Buses will be operating)
- **6th February:** Waitangi Day - a public holiday
- **13th February:** Junior Years - Welcome to our Learning Spaces - Parents' evening 6:30pm - 8pm
- **14th February:** Junior Years Swimming starts for Year 3-6
- **18th February:** Photolife photos at Golflands
- **25th February:** Photolife catch up photos at Golflands
- **22 February:** New Parents and Staff @ Elim Saturday, 5.45pm - (a special event by the Proprietors for all new staff and parents)

Thank you to everyone who has supported Elim Christian Centre Christmas Box appeal - collectively we are supporting many families in need and some who have endured ongoing hardship this year.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH THE PHENOMENAL MR BURTON



STUDENT HANDBOOK

Please read through the Student Handbook which contains lots of useful information for both parents and students about uniform, absence protocols, traffic, etc.

<https://sites.google.com/elim.school.nz/student-handbook/>

STATIONERY



BACK TO SCHOOL STATIONERY 2025 - ORDER NOW!

We've teamed up with OfficeMax to make your back-to-school shop super easy.

Your child's class list is already loaded. Just go to myschool.co.nz. Simply add your details, check that you want everything on the list, then click and confirm – and OfficeMax will get your delivery underway as soon as possible.

You can pay by internet banking, credit card, or debit card. Laybuy* is also available, so you can pay in 6 weekly, interest-free payments and still get your order right away. Plus you'll be helping our school earn school rewards* that we use to purchase much-needed extra resources for our school.

*Terms and Conditions apply, see myschool.co.nz for details. ^Exclusions apply, see myschool.co.nz/delivery for details.

Please note that parents and students have a two-week grace period to purchase the required stationery items. This is to accommodate subject options. **All stationery including digital devices MUST be named.**



LEAVERS FORM:



A reminder of withdrawal of students (Year 1 to Year 12). All formal notifications to withdraw from Elim Christian College will be required in writing, giving one term's notice.

Therefore, if your child is not returning in 2025, please download a Leavers Form using the link below and email the completed form to enrolments@elim.school.nz as soon as possible.

Leavers Form: <https://www.elim.school.nz/wpcontent/uploads/StudentLeaving-Form.pdf>
Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions, please contact the Enrolment Team at enrolments@elim.school.nz.

ENTRY AND EXIT TO OUR SCHOOL SITE

The side gates will be locked 5 minutes after the start of school. These are the gates at Simon Owen and Montecito roads. If families are running late, students should be dropped off at the front of the school and must sign in at reception.

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 do not complete u-turns. Rather, use the side streets or loop around Bob Charles Drive to go the other way.

It is against the 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 not permitted.

We appreciate this it is more difficult when the weather is wet, however, please remember that all other families are also battling the poor weather.

Child safety remains the highest priority and so all road rules must be adhered to.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GRACE AND
KINDNESS IN SUPPORTING OUR
SCHOOL VALUES ON THE ROAD AND
IN THE CARPARKS.**

