

6 August 2024

Morena whanau,

On <u>Thursday 15th August from 6.00pm - 7.30pm</u> I would like to invite you, our Tangata Whenua, to a hui at Botany Campus.

As parents of our tuakana ākonga we would love to spend time with you and share a project I have as the Art department lead.

As Botany Campus we want to build relationship and a sense of turangawaewae for our ākonga of Māori and Pasifika decent - a sense of place, where they stand proud of their cultural expression in a very visual way.

The Art department would like to create a mural, by the students for the students. A collaborative effort between our Tangata Whenua, Pasifika and our Art on Campus students.

This will be a large mural project for the wall opposite my classroom, a central part of the campus where every student and teacher pass by every day.

With partnership and collaboration, we can produce a taonga that ākonga will be able to enjoy for years / generations to come at Elim Botany Campus. A place where they can stand and say this is my turangawaewae, I have a voice here.

For catering purposes, please RSVP to reuben.lankshear@elim.school.nz by Friday 9th August.

Nga mihi nui,

Reuben Lankshear

Visual Arts Head of Department

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