

14th October 2024

Dear Parents / Caregivers

## Year 7 Zoo Trip 2024

Kaitiakitanga (caring for / guardianship) is an important part of life. This is the theme of our Zoo trip. We will be getting a personal lesson from the Zoo staff around looking after what we have in New Zealand - Protecting Aotearoa.

The details are as follows: **Venue**: Auckland Zoo

Dates: Tuesday 3rd December 2024

**Transport:** Buses will transport students from school to and from the Zoo.

Cost: \$20 per student

Please fill out the permission form by Tuesday the 12th of November: <a href="https://forms.gle/uufkwHxDfojVyDyp8">https://forms.gle/uufkwHxDfojVyDyp8</a>

Payment in full is required by Monday 2nd December - this will be charged to your child's KAMAR account, to enable you to pay via the parent portal.

If you wish to discuss a payment plan please contact Mrs Heim directly in confidence: <a href="mailto:mandy.heim@elim.school.nz">mandy.heim@elim.school.nz</a>

We are needing parent help on this day to cover the Zoo 1:6 safety ratio. It will be free of charge for the parent or grandparent helper. We are sorry but we cannot accommodate siblings due to ratio issues. Please email me at <a href="mailto:lisa.snook@elim.school.nz">lisa.snook@elim.school.nz</a> if you can help.

Elim Christian College operates on Ministry of Education best practice requiring all volunteers to have a current police clearance in order to attend this event. Please email <u>golflands@elim.school.nz</u> if you are unsure of your police vetting status or would like to have one done (this usually takes around a month to process and costs \$10).

This is an optional trip. Students who do not attend the zoo will be expected to attend school and work will be provided.

Thank you for your commitment to our program, we are looking forward to an awesome day.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lisa Snook Year 7 Whānau Leader Middle Years Lisa.snook@elim.school.nz