

ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MT ALBERT NEWSLETTER



Tena koutou katoa,

It is hard to believe we are already halfway through Term 1. It has already been a very busy term with work taking place around the campus, the Senior Years' Athletics Carnival, the Meet the Teachers Evening for the Junior Years and the planning for the upcoming Y7/8 Camp, the Leadership Camp and the NCEA Parent Information Evening.

We have now moved into the renovated music space in the cottage. A new classroom space has been created along with four itinerant music teaching spaces. We have included some photos in this edition of the newsletter. Students are really enjoying using the new spaces.

Last week we celebrated the NCEA achievements of our students from 2024. As a school we did incredibly well, which is the result of the dedication of our staff and students along with the support of our parents.

Drop off and pick up times - whilst we understand the challenges of parking on McLean St and Allendale Rd, this is a reminder not to park on the broken yellow lines or the Everil Orr property. It is important that we maintain positive relationships with our neighbours and ask that you assist with that.

I trust you enjoy this edition of the newsletter, celebrating successes of our students and please take note of the upcoming dates and activities for your personal planning.

Matthew 5:14-16 says "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house." At Elim we aim to be a light to our community, showing Christ to those who we come in contact with. Please continue to pray for the school and the various activities and projects being planned for 2025.



Marvin Anderson

Deputy Principal
Tumuaki Tuarua

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IMPORTANT DATES

WHOLE SCHOOL

WEEK 9
Thursday 3 April
Cultural Fiesta 4-7pm

JUNIOR (YEAR 1 - 8)

WEEK 6
 Tuesday 11 March
 Year 7 and 8 Parent Helpers
 Camp Briefing 3:15-4:00pm

WEEK 7
 Tuesday 18- Friday 21 March
 Year 7 / 8 Camp at Peter Snell

SENIOR (YEAR 9 - 13)

WEEK 6
 Tuesday 11 March
 NCEA Information Evening Y11-13
 7.00-8.00pm

Before/ After School Care Survey

We are conducting a survey to see if there is any interest from parents in having a before and after school care program on site at Elim Christian College Mount Albert. Please note this is a user pay system and regular bookings need to be made.

Survey link: [CLICK HERE!](#)



NEW MUSIC SPACES



ROOM 2'S WORD DECODING ADVENTURE

Mrs Rita Ah Kau

The Room 2 students enthusiastically engage in decoding and blending of words for reading. Ka pai!



A MITEY TIME!

Miss Madeleine Chester, Miss Jessica Kidd and Mrs Natalie Escobar

Throughout 2024, Elim Christian College Mount Albert has been participating in the Mitey programme, founded by Sir John Kirwan.

The Year 1-8 kaiako began their journey of teaching students how to build knowledge, skills, and understanding to respond to mental health issues in themselves and others.

This year, we transitioned from Phase 1 to Phase 2 of our Mitey journey. In Phase 2, we will move from teaching unit plans to integrating the Mitey learning outcomes into our existing curriculum.

Last week, we had the privilege of attending the Mitey Lab, where we learned valuable skills and strategies to implement this change. We even had the opportunity to meet Sir John Kirwan! We look forward to seeing the positive changes in the Year 1-8 classrooms.



JUNIOR ART- CLASS TREATY

Mrs Tracey Callender



Year 1 - Room 1



Year 1 - Room 2



Year 3 - Room 4



Year 2 and 3 - Room 3



Year 5 and 6 - Room 5



Year 4 - Room 10



YUMMY STICKER SPORT REWARDS

Mrs Lauren Dixon

Thank you to all of the students and staff who collected the Yummy apple stickers and Yummy apple bag barcodes last year. We thank the Yummy apple stickers sponsors for the blessing of three soccer balls, three basketballs, and a set of rippa tags. We are really looking forward to being able to use these items at school this year.

Please continue to collect the Yummy stickers found on apples and the Yummy apple bag barcodes. Save them up throughout the year, stick them on one of our Yummy sticker sheets, and bring them to school when the sheet is full.

Thank you again to our Yummy apple sticker sponsors, parents, and students for all your support last year.

[Yummy Apple Sticker Collection Sheet Link](#)



SENIOR SCIENCE LESSON

Mrs Amanda Ray

We have enjoyed numerous experiments in senior science so far this term. Year 9 students have learned how to light a bunsen burner, classify leaves, observe Ooblek and carry out a fair test. Year 12 Biology students have created jelly cells, explored diffusion with potassium permanganate and measured the effects of osmosis using gummy bears.



Year 9 Learning to use a bunsen burner



Year 9 Ooblek



Year 9 Fair testing



Year 9 Classification of leaves



Year 11 Chemical compounds



Year 12 Chemical compounds



Year 12 Biology Cell organelles



Year 12 Biology potassium permanganate experiment

NCEA ENDORSEMENT



Level 1 Merit Endorsed

Caleb Sim, Sophia Wakelin, Nathanael Senn, Jadie Yui, Matthew Liu, Alisha David, Jadon Chiang and Joshua Shaji



Level 1 Excellence Endorsed

Celyn Setyadi, Oliver Liddell and Bethany Chua



Level 2 Merit Endorsed

Ella Carroll, James McMillan, Laura Sohn, Annette Paul, Charis Abrahams, Tushar Shaji and Necia Abrahams



Level 2 Excellence Endorsed

Taj Trebilco, Emily Baxter, Oliver Peng, Lois Walton, Rishaab Chandra, Jordane Melchizedek, Jordan Penny, Anita McFedries, Vanis Apiratsangsri, Vince Quimson and Lucy Harrowfield

NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE FORCE ASSEMBLY VISIT

Tudor Prelipceanu, Year 12

On the 30th of February, the Year 11, 12 and 13s had a really cool and informative talk from Sergeant Charles from the NZDF. We got to learn about all of the different trades available in the three parts of the NZ Defence Force, the Air Force, the Army and the Navy. It was a very informative presentation and gave me (and a lot of other students) ideas for a future with the NZDF!



CULTURAL CAMP AND CULTURAL FIESTA

I had an incredible time at the Cultural Camp and it became a memorable day for me. Kareena led us in an incredible time of worship and spoke about how faith is deeply woven into who we are. One of the highlights of the day was the delicious shared lunch, with everyone bringing food and snacks from their cultures. It was amazing to see everyone enthusiastically joining in and practicing cultural group dances, even if they weren't from that culture. The energy was incredible - music, laughter, and everyone helping each other learn made it an unforgettable experience.

-Annette Paul, Year 13, Cultural Leader



We were thrilled to have over 50 high school students participate in our Cultural Camp on Wednesday, February 26th. Now, we eagerly look forward to our upcoming Cultural Fiesta on Thursday, April 3rd, from 4 to 8 pm, featuring a variety of food stalls. Tickets for the food stalls will be available for purchase through Kindo from Tuesday, March 25th, to Tuesday, April 1st. More details will be shared soon.

We are seeking parents to assist with cultural food stalls, including cooking and selling, as well as those who can help sew costumes for various groups. If you can contribute, please complete the attached form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScm63e_PYgBhkf-K4f4g_gHhNtkPJ2zCakhQ_FFabrsnfbuQ/viewform

-Mrs Jo Robertson

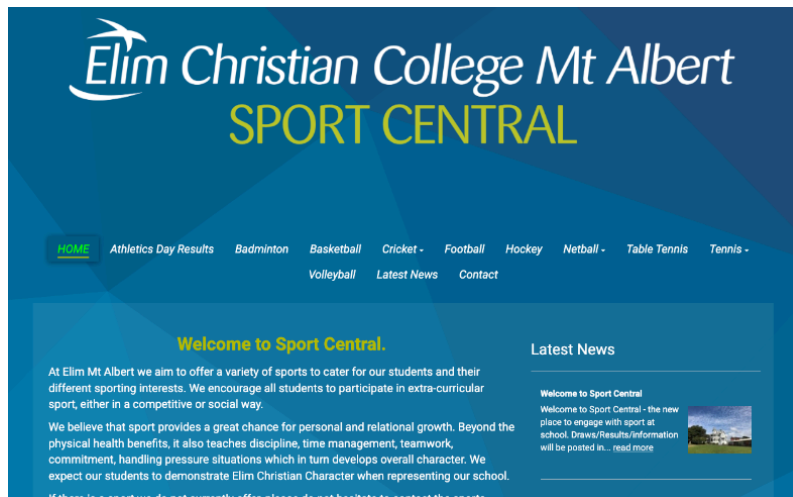


SPORTS

Mr Sam MacKenzie

New Sport website live for Year 9-13 Sport - Sport Central

www.sporty.co.nz/elimmtalbert



Interest forms are now open for:

Badminton
Basketball
Football
Hockey
Netball
Table Tennis

We need parent help to make these teams possible.

Please reach out if you are interested in helping this year.



Junior Netball Registrations open
close Monday 24th March



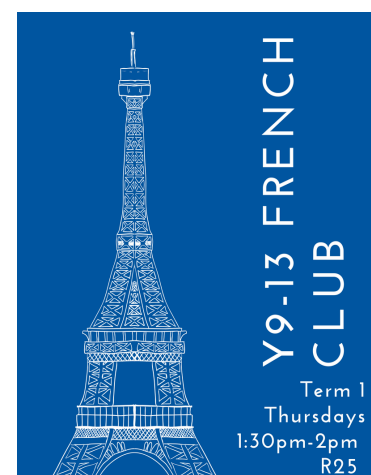
More information:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eJvER5pEJyzeSyHn6M2u-hUdhsOUI4JdFjjGUZOphpk/edit?usp=sharing>

FRENCH CLUB

Mrs Amanda Ray

Mrs Reid and Mrs Ray have started a lunchtime French Club for Term 1. All Y9-13 students are welcome! Merci!



ENVIRO FOCUS

Mrs Amanda Abrahams

Kia ora Elim whānau,

We strive to be an environmentally conscious school. Our aim is to educate and encourage all our students to take responsibility for our school and home environments.

Each week at school, we have an **Enviro Focus**. During Term 1, we will be **focusing** on getting the right things in the right bins. These are the bins we currently use at school:

 <p>Para Kai Food Scraps</p>	 <p>Hangarua Kirihou 1-2-5, Kēne, Pepa, Kāri Mārō Recycling Plastic 1-2-5, Cans, Paper, Cardboard</p>	 <p>Kirihou Ngohengohe Soft Plastic</p>	 <p>Para Rubbish</p>
Fruit and vegetable scraps	Hard plastics: ♻️: 1, 2 & 5 Cans Paper/cardboard Glass bottles	Chip packets Cling film Muesli bar wrappers	All other materials
No processed foods as this is composted	Must be clean (no lids)	Must be clean and dry	If unsure, please put in the rubbish bin
These are the posters above our bins, students are encouraged to check the images before they chuck			
			

It is compulsory for Year 1–8 students to take their rubbish home. For Year 9–13 students, we strongly encourage everyone to take their own waste home and dispose of it responsibly. However, four bins are available outside the hall and the middle school entrance for use if needed.

We ask that students take responsibility for their belongings, have named lunchboxes and ensure that nothing is left around the school. Please join us in our pursuit to be environmentally friendly.

Please contact Amanda Abrahams if you have any questions: amanda.abrahams@elimmtalbert.school.nz



GET INVOLVED WITH ARISE WHĀNAU IN 2025

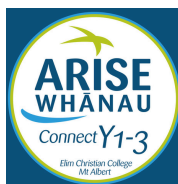
Join the Elim Christian College Mt Albert ARISE Whānau Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1BARdEABc8/>



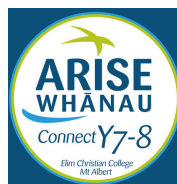
ARISE WHĀNAU CONNECT

Please join only the group/s you currently have a child/ren in. Parents please exit the other WhatsApp group in order to streamline comms and avoid confusion! Year 11 - 13 students are encouraged to be independent and take responsibility for events and information concerning them.



Yrs 1-3:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/I8rTyLttmwh1r2LPguptbD>



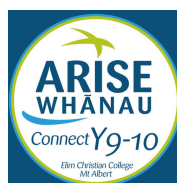
Yrs 7-8:

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Yrs 4-6:

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Yrs 9-10:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Cxc73xOHAf50R1FpgEKKQJ>

Get connected through Kindo



Create a Kindo account to order sushi lunches and join in ARISE events at school.

One account for the whole family! Get started now and be ready... [Click here](http://www.mykindo.co.nz) or go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering!

For Apple and Android users download the mykindo app.

Help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or tel. 09 475 5287 (0800 395 8624) weekdays 8am-4pm.

www.mykindo.co.nz
www.ezlunch.co.nz



**ARISE
WHĀNAU
PRAYER**

Please join us to pray for our school, our students and staff.

When: Friday 8:40 - 9:00 am

Where: Library

Who: Everybody is welcome!