# ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MT ALBERT NEWSLETTER



Tena koutou katoa

Already in Term 2, our students have experienced some significant and enriching events.

Senior classes have participated in Geography trips and visited the Art Gallery, expanding their learning beyond the classroom. Meanwhile, Junior Years have been actively involved in Brake Road Safety Week and the Mission Minded Kids program in Year 5. We also had the pleasure of celebrating our school mums and significant female role models at a special morning tea—a heartfelt occasion that brought our community together.

It's wonderful to see such engaging and meaningful activities taking place across our school community.

## Road Safety before and after school

A big thank you to our local police for their support in training and establishing safe crossing practices for our students! We also want to commend our students for making a strong effort to use the controlled crossing - your commitment to safety is fantastic to see.

We're pleased to let families know that the controlled crossing on McLean Street is now patrolled in the afternoons. We ask all students to use this designated crossing point, as it is both the safest and most visible option. To support this, we kindly ask parents not to cross children at any other point along the street. This helps us consistently reinforce the safest habits for crossing roads.

Lastly, please ensure you adhere to parking regulations and avoid making U-turns on McLean Street, as these actions pose a significant hazard to our students. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe!

Please ensure you stay up to date with important upcoming events on our school google calendar, the newsletter and through communications on the website. Reminders may be posted in whatsapp groups for specific year groups but this is an official communication channel. If you are not receiving emails from the school, please update your email address at the school office or by emailing office@elimmtalbert.school.nz

Have a fabulous week whānau!



Tania Calvert
Principal Tumuaki

"He made the moon to mark the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down.."

Psalm 104:19

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

## WHOLE SCHOOL

#### WEEK 5

OPEN DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES/STUDENTS

Wed 28 May 9am - 11am

Hosanna Week

#### WEEK 6

Monday 2 June

King's Birthday public holiday

Tuesday 3 June Whānau hui / fono evening

#### WEEK 8

Wednesday 18 June Civvies Day / Pizza lunch

Thursday 19 June **Teacher Only Day** Friday 20 June **Matariki public holiday** 

#### WEEK 9

Thursday 26 June Last day of term 2 Friday 27 June Teacher Only Day

## JUNIOR (YEAR 1-8)

#### WEEK 4

Wednesday 21 May National Storytime

#### WEEK 6

Friday 6 June Phase 2: Fossils Van Visit



## SENIOR (YEAR 9 - 13)

#### WEEK 4

Monday 19 - Friday 23 May Year 10 Co-Requisites Literacy and Numeracy #Week 1

#### WEEK 5

Monday 26 - Friday 30 May Year 10 Co-Requisites Literacy and Numeracy #Week 2

## **END OF YEAR DATES**

#### YEAR 1-2 NATIVITY

Tuesday 9 December 9-10:30am

YEAR 3-8 PRIZEGIVING

Tuesday 25 November 11am-1pm YEAR 9-13 PRIZEGIVING

Tuesday 25 November 6:30-8:30pm YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Friday 5 December 3:30-5:00pm YEAR 8 GRADUATION

Monday 1 December 6:00-8:30pm

#### ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MT ALBERT

Looking for a new school with years 1-13 in 2026? Come visit Elim Mt Albert campus!

## **OPEN MORNING**

WEDNESDAY 28 MAY 9AM - 11AM

- Guided tours of the campus led by senior students
- Principal's address: Mrs Tania Calvert



Élim Christian College Mt Albert

1 Maclean Street, Mount Albert www.elimmtalbert.school.nz

## **ROAD SAFETY WEEK AND TRAVELWISE INITIATIVES**

Miss Jessica Kidd

Last week we celebrated Road Safety Week! Students participated in learning activities during class time and had some special visitors come to visit.

#### **Travelwise Meeting**

The Year 5-6 Travelwise leaders met with Alice from Auckland Transport and set goals to support the school with various road safety initiatives. They all received a notebook and a badge.



## Beka

We were one of three schools selected for this amazing experience! Contractors, NZTA representatives and the Brake road safety reps came to teach the Room 3 and 4 students about road safety and what construction workers do on the roads.







## **ROAD SAFETY**

Molly Haycock, Year 8

I have been lucky enough to be chosen as a road patroller. This job comes with a lot of responsibility and you must ensure that you arrive at your duty on time. On a Tuesday, when I am on duty, I leave my classroom 5 minutes early and put my high viz jacket on. Then I go out to the zebra crossing and swap out with the junior patrollers. Once at the crossing, we help people to cross the road safely. Let's make the most of our new zebra crossing so make sure you listen to our patrollers and wait for the lollipops. Stay safe!





## **CELEBRATING OUR MOTHERS!**

Ms Ellouise Richter

On Thursday, the 8th of May, Elim Christian College Mount Albert hosted a Mother's Day tea in honour of our mums and significant female role models. The ballroom was decorated with portraits of mums, specially drawn and painted by our juniors. These artistic renditions and advice from mums, as heard by some of our older students, enthralled and touched those who came to enjoy the community time together. Besides the tasty treats, selected poems were recited to the audience by Jane and Austen (Room 8) and two Year 13s, Ella and Liam. A further opportunity for some mums to visit classes and see what their children have been up to proved a worthwhile and heart-warming experience. We hope that our mums feel special and blessed!



## **ROOM 2'S MOTHER'S DAY**

Mrs Rita Ah Kau

Time well spent with some of our wonderful mothers. We love and appreciate you all!



## **CREATIVE SPOTLIGHT: PAT HANLY CREATIVITY PROJECT**

Mrs Shinae Ha

This year, our Year 12 and 13 Visual Arts students are participating in the Pat Hanly Creativity Project, an initiative run by the Auckland Art Gallery to support and encourage young artists.

On Tuesday the 13th May, the senior students visited the Auckland Art Gallery and attended an inspirational session with renowned New Zealand artist Ani O'Neill. During the session, students explored the theme "Ko wai au? - Who am I?", reflecting on how they can express and present their identities through art. They also had the opportunity to tour the gallery with curators, where they learned how to view and interpret artworks more deeply and thoughtfully.

Following this inspiring experience, the students will now create their own artworks to submit for the Pat Hanly Creativity Awards. Selected works by nominated students will be exhibited at the gallery during a special Young Artists' Night, celebrating their creativity and hard work.

We invite you to take an interest in our students' artwork and follow their journey as they participate in the Pat Hanly Project. Our young artists are putting their hearts and minds into creating impressive pieces, and we look forward to sharing exciting news with you soon!

Special thanks to Mrs Reid and Mr Zoutenbier for their support in making the gallery trip possible! Your guidance and encouragement truly enriched the students' experience.



## YEAR 7 NETBALL

Ms Ellouise Richter

The Year 7 Steel Netball team played a gruelling game on Monday to defeat their opponents 7-6. While these are grading games, they played with perseverance and teamwork. We look forward to a promising season.



## **PARENT PORTAL**



Kia ora koutou,

Are you a parent or caregiver of a child in Year 1-8? Well, this is the place for you! The Ministry of Education has developed a *Parent Portal* to help you understand your child's learning. The *website* contains year-by-year learning guides filled with ideas on how you can support your child's reading, writing and mathematics at home. Furthermore, the guides align with the new curriculum so you can stay up to date with what's relevant to your child's learning.



## GATEWAY

Mrs Amanda Ray

Hi Elim Christian College Mt Albert community, My name is Amanda Ray and I am our school's Gateway coordinator. I'm regularly looking for work placements for our Year 12/13 Gateway students. If you know of any business that might be able to offer one or two students a few days work experience then please could you email me at <a href="mailto:gateway@elimmtalbert.school.nz">gateway@elimmtalbert.school.nz</a>. This year the Gateway students are interested in building, carpentry, plumbing, aviation, hospitality, retail and early childhood education, but any opportunities for

Kind Regards, Amanda Ray

work placements are gratefully appreciated!

## **MUSIC LESSON**

Interested in Learning a Musical Instrument?
We're excited to welcome a new Guitar/Bass
teacher who is now available for lessons on
Wednesdays!

If you'd like to learn Guitar or Bass, please get in touch by emailing:

itinerant.music@elimmtalbert.school.nz

We also have limited lesson spots still available for the following instruments:

Saxophone, Flute, Clarinet, Violin and Piano

If you're interested or have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at: itinerant.music@elimmtalbert.school.nz

## **ARISE WHĀNAU UPDATES**

## ARISE WHĀNAU CONNECT

Please join only the group/s you currently have a child/ren in.

Parents please exit other WhatsApp groups in order to streamline comms and avoid confusion!



Yrs 1-3: https://chat.whatsapp .com/I8rTyLttmwH1r 2LPguptbD



Yrs 4-6: https://chat.whatsa pp.com/Lq6AMreO 7zKlgvvOD6ZgRs



Yrs 7-8: https://chat.whatsapp. com/EFbCWDJBh9O HGcP6Jcmk5u



Yrs 9-10: https://chat.whatsapp .com/Cxcf73xOHAf5 0R1FpgEKKQ]



Yrs 11-13: https://chat.whatsa pp.com/HtfkyfiuFs B5Y0FqbsZIGj



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!

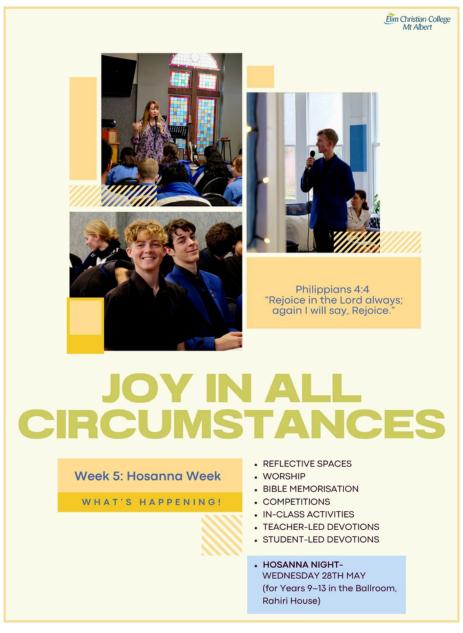
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"A C T S for A C T S" launches week 5



## What ACTS will you do to make Elim's ACTS fundraiser fly?



**ACTS of Asking** 



**ACTS of Service** 



**ACTS of Endurance**