

MT ALBERT CAMPUS NEWSLETTER

11 DECEMBER 2023 | WEEK 10



IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4

WEEK 10

Monday 11 December
Year 0-6 Family Picnic
at Owairaka Park
56 - 60 Owairaka Road
&
Year 7 & 8 Picnic Day

Wednesday 13 December
Year 0-10 Last Day

Find 2024 Key Dates
on the next page.

Kia ora one and all

What a wonderful time of the year! Summer, Christmas just around the corner and holidays are on their way.

But first, it is the end of the school year this week. Well done students and thank you parents for your commitment, your contribution and your care!! What an incredible campus you are Mt Albert!! Full of fun, fellowship and forever worship - congratulations MAC. I wish every family a truly memorable and meaningful Christmas and please take time to give thanks to the Lord for the gift of Jesus - such love, such humbleness, such grace that brought joy to the world!!!

God bless everyone, stay safe and bring on 2024 with a new school
- phenomenal!!

Nga mihi nui

Mr Burton
PRINCIPAL



Mrs Charmaine McMahon: This week we farewell Mrs McMahon who has been in the school office (firstly for Hebron) and then for Elim for over 35 years! Yes you heard that right - 35 years!

Charmaine, we thank you and acknowledge you publicly for your faithful and consistent service to our school. You have seen 35 years of a Christian school in operation and so many students have come past your office window - stunning! As you move to a new school, what a huge gap you will leave in the efficiency, welcome and stability of our 'front of school operation.

Thank you, Charmaine, for your Christian discipleship and your utter commitment to do the best job ever! We truly know God will continue to bless, guard and guide you throughout the days ahead. We praise God for you!

NEW SCHOOL 2024



2024

Next year we will be
Elim Christian College Mt Albert.

Key Dates

There are some key dates for the beginning of the year.
Please diarise these important dates to ensure you are able to attend.

Date and time	Event	Where	Who
Mon 22 Jan	School office opens	ECC Mt Albert	
Wed 31 Jan 12 noon - 3:00 pm	Senior Subject options confirmation	ECC Mt Albert school hall	Year 11- 13 students
Fri 2 Feb	School starts Year 1-10	ECC Mt Albert	Year 1-10
Mon 5 Feb	School starts Year 11 - 13	ECC Mt Albert	Year 11-13 (Year 1-10)
Tues 6 Feb	Waitangi Day		
Mon 5 Feb	Powhiri ceremony to open new school - see attached flyer	ECC Mt Albert	Whole school whānau and invited guests
Sat 10 Feb	Welcome to Elim Evening with proprietors - Invite will be sent	Elim Christian Centre Botany	All new families to Elim

Our new school website will be live from January 1st 2024.
<https://elimmtalbert.school.nz/>

Facebook ARISE group
facebook.com/groups/667527865426206 or search: *Elim Christian College Mt Albert ARISE Parents*

2024 Term dates

Term 1:

Friday 2 February – Friday 12 April

Term 2:

Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

Term 3:

Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September

Term 4:

Monday 14 October – Friday 13 December

YEAR 0-3 JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING AND NATIVITY

Mrs Joanna Emery

We are very proud of our youngest students who were all celebrated at our Prizegiving and Nativity performance last week. The Y0-3 students received a class certificate, and the special certificates and the ARISE cups were also awarded to deserving recipients. The students' performance of the Nativity was outstanding.

Their costumes looked amazing! We appreciate all of the effort that went into making the costumes shine.

The students performed the story of Jesus' birth, along with particular songs sung by each year level.

Many of the students also played instruments to accompany the songs.

Well done to all of the students for a fantastic end of year celebration!



Find more photos from: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/SJQFkSPvDCxGDvif7>

YEAR 4-10 PRIZEGIVING

Mrs Amanda Ray

The Y4-10 Prizegiving was incredible. There were outstanding musical performances, an engaging worship time and a plethora of well-earned certificates and trophies. Dr Lehan Stemmet and Mr Burton inspired us with stirring addresses and the Y9 and 10 boys acknowledged Mr Burton with a moving haka. It was wonderful to celebrate student achievement with our school whānau. We were packed to the rafters!

If you would like to see photos from the evening, please visit (<https://photos.app.goo.gl/ymAzj2LgvGM1shda8>) to see a collection of them taken by Mrs Sullivan.



YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Miss Jessica Kidd

Congratulations Year 6s, you have successfully completed primary school! The students had a graduation ceremony on Friday 1 December. It was a lovely time to connect as a cohort, enjoy some delicious food. The Year 6s sang a song and then they received a certificate and kind messages from their classmates. Thank you, parents, for your continuous support. All the best for intermediate, Year 6s.



YEAR 8 GRADUATION

Emma Jamieson, Year 8

The Year 8 graduation was really cool. It was so fun to be there with friends, celebrating our intermediate years, all the great things we have accomplished and to thank our awesome teachers. The speeches were enjoyable. It was great to hear people's favourite experiences, while here at Elim, and it was good to thank everyone who has helped us get here. The food was also delicious and, overall, it was an amazing night.

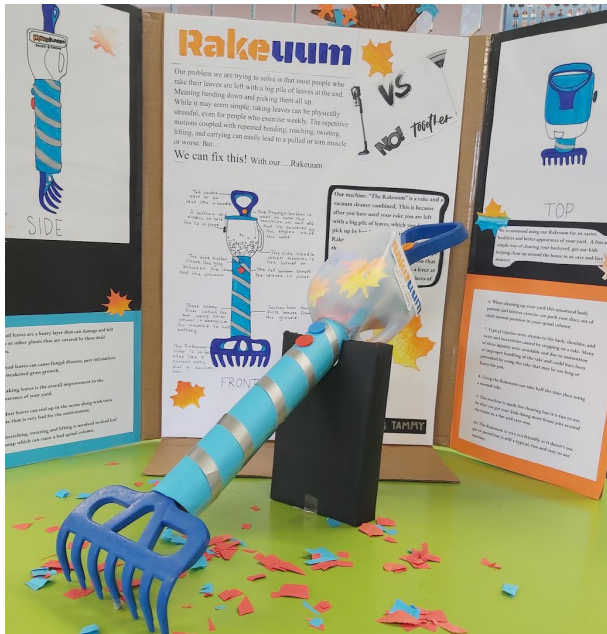




YEAR 7 AND 8 SCIENCE PROJECT

Mr Nigel Davis

The Year 7 & 8 students were asked to do an investigation in Science and solve a worldwide problem.



Daisy Haimes & Tamsen Browne solving the issues of leaves clustering our driveways.



Onion Cutter 3000

By Angeline Cheung, Gracia Joseph and Alizay Pederson

We had an amazing idea to make the Onion Cutter 3000. We made a prototype out of cardboard and plastic. This revolutionary product aims to prevent users from tearing up when cutting an onion. It also makes cooking for your family so much easier!

Quantom Dunkinator 3000

By Eleanor De Alwis, Suhana Senthilkumar and Pei-Ru Goh

Our basketball bin (Aka the Quantom Dunkinator 3000) was made because we thought it would be a fun way to help our younger generations throw their rubbish away. As littering is one of the biggest problems in the world, this bin makes it more fun.

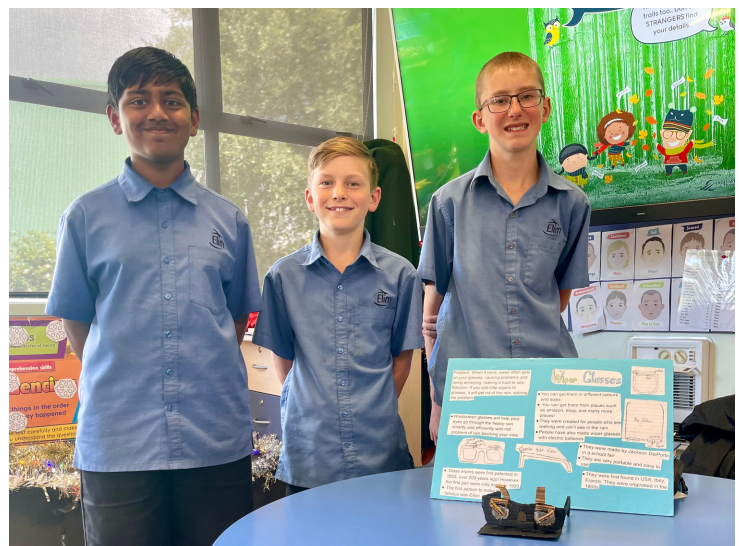
It is for everyone to use and you even get to practice your aim.



Water filter

By Hamish Taylor, Dylan Yang and Jonte Senn

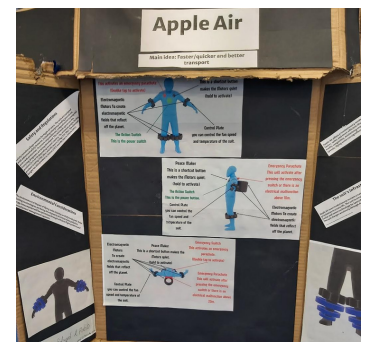
We created a water filter. The water filter was a cardboard box with a camelback coming out of it. We had a UV light to kill the germs in the bladder, then, with a hose, we poured fresh clean water into the cup.



The Wiper Glasses

By Connor Chambers, Jonathan Liddel and Nikunj Sharma

The problem we were trying to solve is foggy/wet glasses. These glasses are powered by a simple spring, which can go back and forwards, cleaning your wet glasses so you can see.



Edward Sun's transportation problem solution.

CARBON SUGAR SNAKE

Mr Thomas Kurian



We did a Chemistry experiment in Week 9 and the results were very exciting! Students got to learn about combustion reactions and how carbon dioxide gas trapped in ash can make a carbon sugar snake grow! A shout out to Mr Jason Ridler who helped in setting up the experiment.

YEAR 9-10 ASSEMBLY

Ms Ellouise Ritcher

The athletics awards and several other certificates including music, Kiwi-cam and prize-giving awards were handed out in Assembly on Tuesday, the 5th of December. The 9s and 10s have such diverse skills and strengths and we look forward to them showcasing their talents in the new year.



PARAKAI OUTING

Ms Ellouise Ritcher

On Wednesday, the 6th of December, our Year 9s and 10s spent the day at Parakai Springs. It was a fun-filled day of racing down the tubes, playing in the pools and enjoying a game of volleyball and cubs. The sun came out after days of rain, and the day passed without incident. We are grateful to God for the great weather and keeping us safe.



BATTLE OF THE BANDS!

Mr Nate Collings

Most people put up Christmas trees on the 1 December and decorate them with pretty baubles and sparkly lights. But, we did things a little differently and held the second annual Year 7 and 8 Battle of the Bands! Nine bands performed to a packed house in the Rahiri Ballroom with some excellent performances, costumes and energy.

Our judges Mr Scott (AKA Mr Cowell) and Mrs Liu found it very difficult to decide which bands would go through to the final. After much deliberation, the final five bands are - drum roll:

THERE GOES THE MOON / 3SiXTY / HAVE A LITTLE FAITH / CHRISTMAS COOKIES / THE PREACHERS

Again, on last Friday 8th December, the final five bands performed in the Rahiri house, and the winning band is - drum roll:

✨ **"THE PREACHERS"** ✨





ROOM 2 ACTIVITIES

Mrs Lauren Dixon

We need to remember that the Christmas season is all about Jesus!

Room 2 has been learning about Jesus and his birth by completing many fun learning activities. These Jesus focused learning activities include reading scriptures directly from the Bible, completing crosswords, unscrambling words and breaking codes and making Christmas crafts.



YUMMY APPLE STICKERS

Dear Families,

Thank you so much to all those who collected Yummy apple stickers and bag coupon cut-outs. We were lucky enough to be awarded \$300 for our combined efforts, which went towards much needed new soccer balls for the juniors! We will receive them in the new year.

We would love you to continue collecting Yummy apple stickers for when the promotion starts up again in 2024. Full sticker sheets can be handed in to the office. Please put your child(ren)'s name on the sheet so we know who to award! New sticker sheets can be picked up from the office, or you can print your own at home (by typing into your browser "Yummy Apple sticker collection sheet" and you'll be taken to the downloadable page to print).

This week the 5 top contributors received their prize - an icecream sundae party with a friend of their choice!

Thank you so much for supporting our school to earn \$\$ for sports gear - we appreciate your help very much!



Carpe Diem kids HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Carpe Diem Kids Elim will be having a fun Holiday Programme at St. Marys School, 2136 Great North Road, Avondale from 18th to 22nd December 2023 and from 8th to 26th January 2024. Part-time enrolments, Sibling discounts and WINZ subsidies are available.

Brochures are available online. Enrol online on www.carpediemkids.co.nz

Ph: 0800 CD KIDS/ 0800 23 5437 Mob: 021 1550242

Email: info@carpediemkids.co.nz

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Mr Sam Mackenzie

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