

ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MT ALBERT

NEWSLETTER



Kia ora tatou whānau,

We are in full steam at school as we get ready for our Cultural Fiesta! Students are rehearsing their items and excited to perform at our concert next week. Thank you to all the family members who have offered help already. We could not host an event of this size without the contributions of many. There is still time to help if you would like to. There are opportunities to:

- Decorate the school Monday - Wednesday from 9-10am each day. A team will meet in the foyer to decorate the front of the school. We would like lanterns, bunting, flags, fabrics, costumes and artifacts to display in our junior classroom windows and foyer.
- Decorate the stage before the concert Wednesday between 2-4 pm. We need pasific mats and leis for this.
- Bring full sized flags to hang along our black fence on the top field.
- Be part of a food prep team. We have had some offers of help with this. If you can volunteer help or ingredients please contact Mrs Abrahams amanda.abrahams@elimmtalbert.school.nz who will put you in touch with the team.
- Supply a gas BBQ to loan for the night.
- Be part of the BBQ prep team Wednesday 2-3 pm in the staffroom. If you can help with this, please text Hannah Taylor 021 188 2133



TANIA CALVERT

Principal / Tumuaki

‘For we are co-workers in God’s service..’

1 Corinthians 3:9

Cultural Fiesta details

Date Wednesday 27th March
time 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Who All of our extended Elim Mt Albert Whānau
What Food stalls, Fellowship, Epic Cultural Show
Where Top field Elim Christian College Mt Albert

Food stalls will be running from 4:30 pm until 5:30 pm or until food is sold out. Cultural meals are \$10 each serving. There will also be a kiwi sausage sizzle, drinks and bake sale. Eftpos or cash may be used to pay (change may not be available for cash transactions) You are welcome to bring your own food instead/also.

This will be also be a great opportunity to introduce yourselves to your child’s teachers. During the entire event, we ask that all children are supervised by their parents. During the concert they are to sit with their families apart from when they are called up for their performance. The playground will be closed during the concert. Please supervise your child if they are on the playground.

We are looking forward to hosting you all at this wonderful event.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Tania Calvert

Please note: Easter Tuesday - 2nd April is a holiday for schools

IMPORTANT DATES

PRIMARY SCHOOL (YEAR 1-6) Wednesday 3rd - 5th April Year 5-6 camp Week 11: Nanogirl assembly	MIDDLE SCHOOL (YEAR 7-8) Term 2: Tuesday 7th May Olympic Ambassador Visit	SECONDARY SCHOOL (YEAR 9-13) Thursday 4th April Massey University Visit
WHOLE SCHOOL (YEAR 1-13)	Tuesday 26th March Cultural Dress Day Wednesday 27th March Cultural Fiesta 4 - 7.30pm Easter Holiday Friday 29th March - Tuesday 2nd April Week 11 cultural shared lunch in classes (name TBC) Friday 12 April Last day of school - Kakuahu Kaianga / Civvies day \$2	

2023 ACADEMIC RESULTS

Mr Marvin Anderson

This week in assembly we celebrated the academic achievements of our Level 1 and 2 NCEA students from 2023.

Recognising Level 1 Student Achievement from 2023



Merit Endorsements

Are awarded to students who achieve at least 50 credits or more at Merit or Excellence

Charis Abrahams, Vanis Apiratsangsri, Kaitlyn Cooper, Nathaniel Ford, Abraham Li, James McMillan, Annette Paul, Cranston Shandil, Laura Sohn, Taj Trebilco, Joanna Vashi, Cooper Wood



Excellence Endorsements

Are awarded to students who achieve at least 50 credits at Excellence

Necia Abrahams, Rishaab Chandra, Lucy Harrowfield, Anita McFedries, Jordane Melchizedek, Oliver Peng, Jordan Penny, Vince Quimson, Lois Walton, Connie Yang

NCEA Level 1 Academic Honours Gold - Lucy Harrowfield

NCEA Level 1 Academic Award Silver - Rishaab Chandra

Recognising Level 2 Student Achievement from 2023



Merit Endorsements

Are awarded to students who achieve 50 credits or more at Merit or Excellence

Theo Burgess, Jerusha'h Chand, Amisha Chauhan, Grace Chhour, Tessa King, Kayleigh McGlynn, Denzel Ramirez



Excellence Endorsements

Are awarded to students who achieve at least 50 credits at Excellence

Lily Brading, Lucia Calvert, Julia Davidson, Beth Donaldson, Olivia McFedries, Joah Schnee, Zachary Senn, Hannah Walton

- NCEA Level 2 Academic Honours Gold - Hannah Walton
- NCEA Level 2 Academic Award Silver - Lucia Calvert

LEVEL 3 HEALTH AND SAFETY COURSE

Mrs Amanda Ray



This week I gave out certificates for students who passed the Safety n Action Level 3 Health and Safety Course. Well done, everyone!



BUDDY READING

Mrs Lauren Dixon

Room 25, 1, and 2 love spending time reading together. Our focus is to encourage relationship building between our tamariki and increase our reading knowledge at the same time. We take turns choosing which books to share with our buddy. After reading, we end with a quick, fun fitness activity together.



AUTHOR VISIT

Miss Natalie Harbott

"If we were all the same, the world would be a boring place, having differences makes you super cool and unique." That was the message that Jill, Gabrielle and Rebecca - the team behind 'A Bird Tale' - wanted to share with us today. We loved their story and the illustrations. We are so thankful that they donated a copy of the book to our wharepukapuka.



AQUATIC EDUCATION

Mrs Lauren Dixon

We have been blessed to be able to borrow life jackets from Drowning Prevention NZ. We have learnt how to find the right size life jacket to wear and how to correctly wear a life jacket.

Room 1 has had so much fun learning how to keep safe in the water using a life jacket. Just look at how brave we are!



JUNIOR MUSIC GROUP

Miss Sarah Dunn

Junior music groups have started off with a bang! The Junior Worship Team has started learning ‘Living Hope”, by Phil Wickham, and have been practicing their parts with commitment. Pictured on bass guitar are Abigail and Esther and Gideon, Ulrick and Jethrin are on Keyboard. We also have drummers, singers, and a ukulele and guitar player.

We have a large choir that includes students from Year 4 to Year 7, and a wonderful Marimba group that will be heading to the Marimba Festival later in the year. They are learning the song “Rainbow” in this picture. We are looking forward to many fun music-making adventures in both groups and class music this year!



ROOM 6 LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Mrs Joanna Emery

Room 6 has been engaging in many interesting and interactive learning experiences over the last few weeks. During science, the class explored animal classification and developed their understanding of acids, bases and the pH scale. Making sherbet was one experiment that explored how acids and bases react with carbon dioxide. The students loved this! Room 6 are also learning how to write clear and precise instructions for others to follow as part of procedural writing. Each group is creating their own fitness game that can be played with younger students.



YEAR 12 AND 13 SERVICE

Mr Marvin Anderson

Over the past two weeks a group of our Year 12 and 13 students participated in activities around the campus and our local area serving the community. This included cleaning rubbish and leaves along McLean Street, a clean up of the gardens at the BP service station and cleaning and tidying the school grounds. The boys also did a fundraiser car wash to raise money for the school service projects later in the year. All Year 11-13 students are registered with the Student Volunteer Army which is a nationally recognised organisation that facilitates a platform for students to record their service hours. There are a number of other projects and activities being organised by our senior students which will be celebrated in future newsletters.



SENIOR ASSEMBLY

Mrs Amanda Ray

We've had lots going on over the last couple of weeks in our Y11-13 assemblies. We had an inspiring visit from a police officer who shared the realities of his work and the process for entering the police force. Last week Blair Sorenson from Unitec visited us and talked about the many courses on offer there.



YEAR 9 ART

Mrs Shinae Ha



Tejaswini Kumaravel



Daisy Haimes



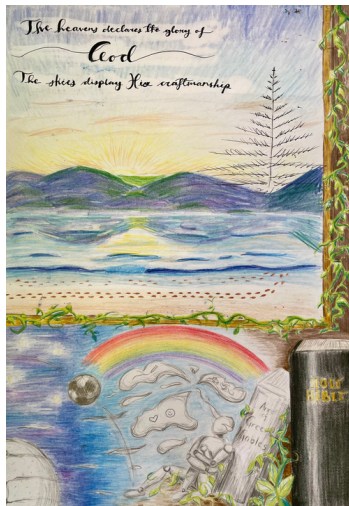
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Elise Brading



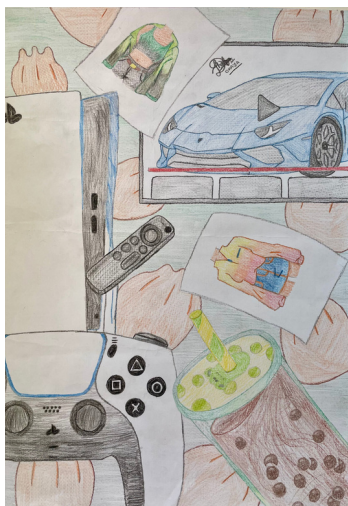
Madison Carroll



Jasmine Rambhai



Sophie Abrahams



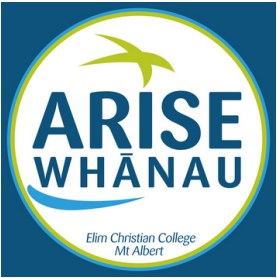
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VOLUNTEERS TO WORK WITH STUDENTS

Mrs Joanna Emery

We are currently seeking anyone who would be happy to volunteer assisting Y10-13 students with special assessment conditions with internal assessments. Volunteers could be parents, caregivers, university students, older family members or past students of the school. Volunteers would need to have fluent English and be confident in reading aloud, as well as writing/typing for the student. They would need to be available in term time and during the school day. All volunteers would need to complete a police vetting application, as well as a short training session.

If you are interested or would like to inquire further please email Joanna Emery. (joanna.emery@elimmtalbert.school.nz).



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN ARISE WHĀNAU?

ARISE Whānau covers the school, students, staff and our families with prayer, pastoral and fundraising needs. The purpose of this group is to communicate information about these needs to the school community. Please contact hannah.taylor@elimmtalbert.school.nz if you have any questions. Please join our Facebook group for our ARISE Whānau! <https://www.facebook.com/groups/667527865426206>



YEAR 1-6 ICEBLOCK FRIDAYS



ARISE WHĀNAU PRAYER

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

When: Friday morning 8:40 - 9:00 am

Where: Staffroom

Who: Everybody is welcome - just come along

ARISE PARENTS WORKING BEE

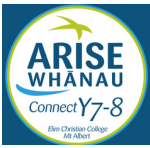


Please sign up if you can help at the working bee and we will be in touch!

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ARISE WHĀNAU CONNECT

Our WhatsApp groups are up and running now. Thank you parent reps for getting these started. If you would like to join, please email the office.



ARISE WHĀNAU SECOND HAND UNIFORM

We are asking for donations of second hand uniforms to be brought to the school office over the next two weeks. There will be a second hand uniform sale in Week 11 - date and time TBC. This is a great chance to ensure winter uniforms still fit and to stock up!

Money raised will be put into fundraising projects for the school.



Foster Hope Donations

Foster Hope is a local charity that provides essential items for children living in foster care. Their initiatives include putting together backpacks of personal items for children going into care and 'flat packs' of essential items for those leaving care to go flatting at 17 or 18 years old.

HOW TO HELP:

Some of the Year 12 and 13 students are organising a school wide donation drive for Foster Hope.

If you would like to contribute, any donation will be very much appreciated.

Below is a list of items each class could contribute to ensure we collect a wide range of goods.

Please note that all items must be new unless otherwise stated.

All year levels are welcome to donate new pyjamas or clothes.

'Flat pack items' include cheap kettles and toasters, dinnerware, cutlery and Edmunds cookbooks

Rahiri House - New Entrants	Rm 1 - Year 4	Rm 2 - Year 1	Rm 3 - Year 2
Smaller: Nappies Bigger: Bibs	Smaller: Combs/hair brushes Bigger: Underwear (boys most urgent)	Smaller: Baby wipes/face cloths Bigger: Bibs	Smaller: Infant toothbrushes and toothpaste Bigger: Small or soft toys (ages 2-11)
Rm 4 - Year 3	Rm 5 - Year 5	Rm 6 - Year 6	Rm 7 - Year 7/8
Smaller: Baby soap and shampoo Bigger: underwear (boys most needed)	Smaller: soap and shampoo (250mls or less) Bigger: underwear (boys most needed)	Smaller: Kids toothpaste and toothbrushes Bigger: Small or soft toys (ages 2-11)	Smaller: Nappies and Baby wipes Bigger: Facecloths
Rm 8 - Year 7/8	Rm 9 - Year 7/8	M9T - Year 9	M9M - Year 9
Smaller: Adult toothbrushes and toothpaste Bigger: Bibs	Smaller: Adult toothbrushes and toothpaste Bigger: Bibs	Smaller: Roll on (only!) deodorant Bigger: Bath towels or facecloths	Smaller: Adult toothpaste and toothbrushes Bigger: Bath towels or facecloths
M10B - Year 10	M10Z - Year 10	M11R - Year 11	M12R - Year 12
Smaller: Soap and shampoo (250mls or less) Bigger: Books (especially for teenagers)	Smaller: Combs Bigger: Books (especially for teenagers)	Smaller: Roll on (only!) deodorant Bigger: Flat pack items	Smaller: Feminine Products Bigger: Flat pack items
M12Z - Year 12	M13N - Year 13		
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Mt Albert

BAKING FOR OUR
BAKE SALE
BRING TO SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY MORNING
Y7-13 DROP TO HALL
Y1-6 TO CLASSROOM

SOLD AT FIESTA

CULTURAL FOOD
STALLS
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
\$10 CULTURAL MEALS
\$5 SAUSAGE + DRINK
\$5 2 SAUSAGES
\$5 BAKING X3
\$2 DRINKS

NEXT WEEK IS THE

CULTURAL

FIESTA!

MARCH 27TH

4 PM - 7:30 PM

ELIM CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MT ALBERT

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY
PICNIC ON THE LAWN
BUY DINNER AT OUR CULTURAL
FOOD STALLS OR BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC
ENJOY THE CULTURAL CONCERT 5:45-7PM