




Elim Christian College Henderson

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“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.” -Jeremiah 29:11

A Letter From The Principal

Kia ora e te whānau and haere mai. I want to personally welcome you all to the Elim Christian College community here in the wonderful West.

It has been a pleasure meeting so many of you and getting a sense of your desires and excitement for what we will build together.

In our foundational years, our tīma is committed to providing an excellent education while creating a sense of belonging, that ensures there is a place to honour the brilliance of each child in our care.

We consider it a privilege to be partnering with you as we inherit the incredible work that Elim Christian College has begun and continue to build on their shoulders, adding to the legacy.

Since my appointment in this role, I have held tight to the words found in [Ephesians 2:10](#):

For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

I firmly believe that our work is to guide our ākonga to understand their identity in Christ and how they can serve him, using their unique giftings.

Mā te wā



Andy Lawrence

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Join Us for Elim Henderson Orientation Day on January 25, 2024!

We are delighted to invite all our Elim Henderson families to our Orientation Day on January 25th, 2024. This day promises to be a fantastic opportunity for you to get acquainted with our school and become part of our vibrant community.

What to Expect:

Warm Welcome and Morning Tea to Wrap Up: We'll start the day with a warm welcome and important information sharing, and we'll conclude with a delightful morning tea/light kai, providing a perfect opportunity to connect with other families and our friendly staff.

School Houses/Whānau: Learn all about our school houses/whānau system and how it adds an exciting dimension to your child's school experience.

Important Information: We will provide you with essential details about how the school will be run throughout the year, with a particular focus on Term 1. Stay informed about key events, activities, and dates to mark on your calendar.

Meet the Teachers: Get to know and have a meaningful chat with your child's classroom teachers. This is your opportunity to ask questions and establish a strong connection with those who play a vital role in your child's education.

Meet Our Staff: Meet all our dedicated staff members, from teaching to support, who are here to ensure your child's success and well-being.

Additional Information:

During the orientation, we'll also cover general information that's important for a new school, such as school policies, communication channels, safety measures, and how we foster a supportive learning environment.

We can't wait to welcome you to the Elim Henderson whānau and embark on this exciting journey together. Mark your calendars for January 25th, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Staffing Updates: New Additions to Our Elim Christian College Henderson Team

We are thrilled to share some exciting staffing updates with our Elim Henderson community. We have successfully completed the appointments of both our teaching and non-teaching staff members for the start of 2024.

In the coming weeks, we will provide you with detailed profiles and backgrounds of each staff member, so you can get to know them better.

In the meantime, we invite you to explore our school website's '[Staff Section](#)' for the most up-to-date information about our teaching and leadership staff. There, you will find brief bios and photographs to help you become familiar with our dedicated educators.

We look forward to introducing our new staff members and celebrating their unique talents and contributions to our Elim Henderson.

Coming Soon: Stationery and Uniform Information

We've partnered with local providers to ensure that our students have access to quality stationery and uniforms. While we work on finalising the details, we want to give you a heads up that more information will be available on our school website later this month.

Stay tuned for updates on where and how you can obtain stationery and uniforms that meet our school's standards. We're committed to making this process as convenient as possible for our Elim Henderson whānau, and we can't wait to share more details with you soon.

Before and After School Care: Let Us Know Your Interest!

We are excited to announce that we will be offering Before and After School Care services through an [external facilitator](#). Our aim is to provide a convenient and safe solution for our families, but we need your help to gauge the demand for this service.

How to Indicate Your Interest:

Simply let us know if you're interested in using the Before and After School Care service. Your feedback will play a crucial role in determining the availability of drop-off and pick-up options.

You can share your interest by completing this [form](#) and don't forget to check out the facilitator's [website](#) for more information.

We look forward to making this service a valuable addition to our school. Stay tuned for more updates, and don't forget to share your interest with us today!

Please note that our ultimate desire would be able to provide an onsite program but this will rely heavily on the demand from our community.

Your Voice Matters: Collaborating for a Stronger School Community

Our principal, Andy, and leadership team are committed to engaging with our parents and guardians to gather your valuable input before the year ends. Please stay tuned for more details on this important initiative. Your input is invaluable in shaping and strengthening our school community, and we truly appreciate your active participation in this collaborative journey.