

PRINCIPAL'S PANUI

WELCOME TO OUR ARISE CHAIR

Last term we introduced our ARISE Parents Committee and requested expressions of interest from our whānau to chair and lead this committee.

Our Senior Leadership Team prayerfully considered our candidates and would like to formally welcome Calvin Andugula.

In our upcoming newsletter, we will share a little more about his experience with Elim Education and what he'll bring to the role.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: ARISE PARENTS COMMITTEE

We are now in the process of creating the ARISE Parents Committee by selecting keen members of our community who have the heart, character and ability to serve our kura.

If you would like to put your hand up, please email slt@elimhenderson.school.nz simply noting your interest and providing a brief explanation as to why you'd like to serve and any relevant experience before **Friday 1st November**

From here, Calvin and our SLT will work to build a team with complementary skillsets but the same desire to help our community and kura flourish.

COMMUNICATION, COMMUNICATION, COMMUNICATION

Last term, our presiding member - Raewyn Openshaw - and myself had the privilege of meeting with a handful of parents to hear about their experiences with our school. This provided them an opportunity to share both what's been going well and express some suggestions for certain facets to be refined.

One facet we discussed was communication, with a number of ideas put forward to help our whānau have greater clarity with what's going on at a school level and what's happening in our akomanga (classrooms). In response to this, the following pathways of communication have been cultivated:

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This e-newsletter will share thoughts, information and details straight from my desk.

My hope is to highlight two to three items that help initiate dialogue between our senior leadership team and yourselves, as well as streamline how need-to-know info is communicated with our community.

TERM AHEAD

This is a calendar style document that provides insight into what's occurring in the term ahead.

Below is a screen shot of this but it can also be found on our website, part way down the [communications page](#).

TEAM NEWSLETTER'S

This e-newsletter will be sent out once a term (and on our communications page) with details of the term's learning focuses, as well as any expected trips.

Our hope is that this will enable greater partnership between our kura and home-learning.

This can be expected on Mon 28th Nov.

TERM AHEAD: Term 4					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1 14th-18th Oct			Principal's Panui #1	Fire Drill @ 1:00 PM	Hinau Mufti Day House Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 2 21st-25th Oct	Mihi Whakatau (Welcoming new Term 4 ākonga/whānau)			National Shakeout Drill @ 9:30 AM	Takahē Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 3 28th Oct-1st Nov	Team Newsletters (Term Objectives and Events)				Tūi Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 4 4th-8th Nov			Expression of Interest Tour (Prospective Parents) @ 9:30 AM Principal's Panui #2		Kea Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 5 11th-15th Nov				Y1 Visit #1 (2025 ākonga) @ 8:30 AM	November Newsletter House Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 6 18th-22nd Nov				Y1 Visit #2 (2025 ākonga) @ 8:30 AM	Pūtakitaki Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 7 25th-29th Nov			Principal's Panui #3		Piwakawaka Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 8 2nd-6th Dec				Walkathon (Fundraiser) @ 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM	Teacher Only Day (Curriculum Refresh)
WEEK 9 9th-13th Dec				2025 Orientation Morning (current and future ākonga/whānau)	Walkathon (Saver Date) December Newsletter Piwauwau Assembly @ 2:30 PM
WEEK 10 16-20th Dec	Whole School Mufti (Fundraiser)		End-of-Year Prizegiving Maunga - 1:30 - 2:00 PM Ngahere - 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM	EOY Reports (sent home via email)	Last Day 2:00 PM finish

The final term is upon us and what an incredible year it has been. Our final term comes with some exciting events. A few important events to highlight are the following:

- **Mihi Whakatau:** a warm welcome to any ākonga and their whānau who have joined from Wk 2, Term 3 and those who have commenced at the beginning of this term. Hot beverages to follow
- **Walkathon:** our first community-driven fundraiser that will see our ākonga work in their houses to raise funds and their heart-rates. More information will be provided in our Team Newsletters, including how to fundraise, and ways to include the whole whānau
- **Teacher Only Day:** detailed in our last newsletter, this TOD is designed to support kura with the demands of implementing two new curricula
- **2025 Orientation:** this will be an opportunity for our current and future ākonga to spend a morning with their kaiako and peers for the coming year.
- **End-of-Year Prizegiving:** this event will celebrate ākonga for their incredible efforts this year. This will have teacher and SLT nominated members for the term gone, as well as members of our class who have exemplified ARISE in it's entirety throughout the year. Additionally, we will nominate individuals from each team who have truly embodied each of our ARISE characteristics. This will be split into two assemblies.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email our [office](#) or [SLT](#)