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Dear Parents,

A huge welcome back to all of you after the school holidays! We hope and believe you have enjoyed a well-deserved break with your family.

Please note the following important information in this edition of the Eden Times:

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Our Vision

At Eden, it is our vision for our students to thrive, to be confident and to be prepared to fulfil their God – given calling.

Our Mission

At Eden, it is our mission to:

Prepare our students for the future by providing a quality education grounded on the Christian World View through the development of each individual student's potential.

Empowered by God's Word, to assist families in educating their children, equipping them for life and eternity.

Provide a safe, nurturing learning environment for our children, founded on the Christian values of grace, forgiveness and compassion.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR THIS TERM:

| Monday 9 October: | School starts for Term 4 |
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| Tuesday 10 October: | AM: |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint English (01) |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint English (02) |
| | PM: |
| | AS – Chemistry (9701/35) |
| Wednesday 11 October: | AM: |
| | A – level IT (9626/04) |
| | IGCSE Maths (0580/13) |
| Thursday 12 October: | AM: |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint Maths (01) |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint Maths (02) |
| | IGCSE Physics (0625/33) |
| | PM: |
| | IGCSE English (0500/13) |
| Friday 13 October: | AM: |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint Science (01) |
| | Cambridge Checkpoint Science (02) |
| Tuesday 17 October: | PM: |
| | IGCSE English (0500/23) |
| Wednesday 18 October: | AM: |
| | IGCSE Maths (0580/33) |
| Thursday 19 October: | Franklin touch tournament: |
| | Year 3 – 4, Year 7 – 8 |
| Friday 20 October: | Franklin touch tournament: |
| | Year 5 – 6 |
| | PM: |
| | AS – Chemistry (9701/23) |

| Monday 23 October: | LABOUR DAY |
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| | PM: A – Level IT (9626/33) |
| Tuesday 24 October: | AM: IGCSE Physics (0625/63) |
| Wednesday 25 October: | PM: AS – English (9093/13) |
| Monday 30 October: | AM: A – level History (9489/33) |
| | PM: AS – English (9093/23) |
| Wednesday 1 November: | PM: A – level English (9093/33) |
| Thursday 2 November: | AM: A – level History (9489/43) |
| Friday 3 November: | Teachers Only Day |
| | PM: A – level English (9093/43) |
| Monday 6 November: | Internal Assessments |
| Tuesday 7 November: | Internal Assessments |
| Wednesday 8 November: | Internal Assessments |
| | Franklin North group athletics |
| Thursday 9 November: | Internal Assessments |
| | AM: IGCSE Physics (0625/13) |
| Friday 10 November: | Internal Assessments |
| Monday 13 November: | Internal Assessments |

Tuesday 14 November: Internal Assessments

Thursday 16 November: Franklin Zone athletics

PM:

AS – Chemistry (9701/13)

Wednesday 6 December: Annual Year – End Function/Celebration: 7pm

School finishes at 12.30pm

Friday 8 December: School close at 12.30pm

Friday 15 December: Student Progress Reports and Stationery lists

for 2024 issued

PLEASE NOTE:

 For any changes to dates of extra – curricular activities, please see our website: www.edenchristianacademy.co.nz



TERM DATES: 2024

Term 1: Thursday 25 January – Friday 12 April

Term 2: Monday 29 April – Thursday 27 June

Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September

Term 4: Monday 14 October – Friday 6 December



ANNUAL YEAR – END FUNCTION/CELEBRATION:

When: Wednesday 6 December 2023 Time: 7pm

Where: LaValla events and conference centre

Please note: The event is <u>compulsory for all students</u> and they are required to be <u>dressed in full</u>

school uniform.

All <u>students</u> must <u>report</u> to their respective form teachers at the events centre by

6.45pm.

School will be finishing at 12.30pm with the transport running as per normal to give

our students enough time to get ready for the function. Wednesday 6 December will be a school, <u>mufti day.</u>

Attendance slips will be emailed closer to the date to help us plan for potential

numbers.

Please feel welcome to bring along as many family members as you want. Younger children are most welcome!





SENIOR HOCKEY:

Congratulations and well – done to our senior hockey team who has made it to the finals of the Counties Manukau Fast – 5 (Pool A) tournament. Only one goal difference between us and our opponents!

Congratulations also to coach and captain, Mehar Sodhi, with being selected for the Counties Manukau U/16 hockey team. We are proud of you!













<u>Back row (Left to right):</u> Alex Portegys, Tarandeep Singh, Sarah Olliver (goalkeeper), Aiden Goddard,
Torin Coldicutt, Pooja Banga (Team manager & Umpire)

Front (Left to right): Mehar Sodhi (Coach & captain), Zhane Botha

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

FOUR KEYS TO BEING A MIRACLE

<u>Judges 6:11 – 13</u> **11** The angel of the LORD came and sat down under the oak in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, where his son Gideon was threshing wheat in a winepress to keep it from the Midianites. **12** When the angel of the LORD appeared to Gideon, he said, "The LORD is with you, mighty warrior."

13 "Pardon me, my lord," Gideon replied, "but if the LORD is with us, why has all this happened to us? Where are all his wonders that our ancestors told us about when they said, 'Did not the LORD bring us up out of Egypt?' But now the LORD has abandoned us and given us into the hand of Midian."

1. Never pray for tasks to equal your strength.

Philippians 4:13 For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

<u>1 Samuel 17:34 – 37</u> ³⁴ But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵ I went after it, struck it, and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. ³⁶ Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷ The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."

Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

2. Realize your task and your abilities never stay the same.

<u>Judges 6:14 – 16</u> ¹⁴ The LORD turned to him and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?"

¹⁵ "Pardon me, my lord," Gideon replied, "but how can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family."

¹⁶The LORD answered, "I will be with you, and you will strike down all the Midianites, leaving none alive."

<u>Judges 8:22 – 23</u> ²² The Israelites said to Gideon, "Rule over us—you, your son and your grandson—because you have saved us from the hand of Midian."

²³ But Gideon told them, "I will not rule over you, nor will my son rule over you. The LORD will rule over you."

<u>Matthew 25:28</u> 28Therefore take the talent from him and give it to the one who has ten talents.

3. Begin the task before you have the strength.

<u>Romans 4:20</u> Abraham never wavered in believing God's promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God.

<u>1 Corinthians 10:13</u> No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

4. Never pray to do miracles but to be one.





Our Values

| Consideration | Faith |
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| Honesty | Hope |
| Integrity | Love |
| Serving | Trust |

God Bless Willem van Rensburg Principal