

# JHC



## **Principal's Comment**



Mike Newell Principal

#### Kia ora e te whānau

Our students are engaging positively in their learning and have quickly settled into their classroom routines. During my classroom visits on both campuses I have been impressed with what I have seen. I have already mentioned how well our students are coping with the wearing of masks. Teachers don't find this easy either but we still have some work to do over the coming weeks. With the recent spell of fine weather we are having it has been great to see students outside playing sports and games during break times.

The good weather also makes the Year 7 Omaui and Year 8 Deep Cove camps even more enjoyable. A big thank you to our staff and parent volunteers who make these camps possible. These experiences are often highlights of students' time at school. Last week the government announced some amendments for school sport and extra curricular activities in regards to vaccination requirements. While we don't have all of the specific details, this is good news in terms of student participation. A reminder to students to be listening carefully to the daily notices as many sports, arts and cultural activities are being advertised and calling for students to sign up.

The next month may be tough for individuals and families with covid and isolation requirements but I like to be optimistic that this is the last big hurdle for us all. We will get through this.

Nga mihi Mike Newell *Principal* 

## **PTA Report**



Ainslie Bruce Chairperson

#### Kia ora from the PTA!

Unfortunately due to the escalating number of cases in our community,

we decided it was best not to hold our meeting in person last month.

It has been decided to hold our AGM via **Google Meet** later this month. The details

Date: Tuesday 15th March, 7.30pm-8.30pm. Video call link:

https://meet.google.com/svv-ekfi-kcs

Please join us, it will be great to have you, all members of the JHC whānau welcome.

If you wish to contact me, feel free to email me at andy.ains@xtra.co.nz or phone/text on 0272014243.

**Poipoia te kakano kia puawai** *Nurture the seed and it will blossom.* 

Nga Mihi Ainslie Bruce PTA Chairperson

#### **Term Dates for 2022**

#### Term 1:

Thursday 16 April: End of Term 1

#### Term 2:

Monday 2 May: Start of Term 2 Monday 6 June: Queen's Birthday Friday 8 July: End of Term 2

#### Term 3:

Monday 25 July: Start of Term 3 Friday 30 September: End of Term 3

#### Term 4:

Monday 17 October: Start of Term 4 Monday 24 October: Labour Day Friday 6 December: End of Term 4

#### From the Boardroom



Chris O'Connor BOT Chairperson

#### Tena koutou katoa,

It was great to welcome Lydia Blomfield (pictured right) as the new student representative on the Board of Trustees to her first meeting. We look forward to working with Lydia and hearing her perspective on issues that are governed by the Board. The Board has recently been interviewing potential applicants for the role of Associate Principal following the appointment of Jocelyn Auld to a Principalship. We are thrilled to announce Caroline Raynes has been appointed to this role and we look forward to continuing to work with Caroline in her new role. We are confident she will do a fantastic job in the position. On the property front, the



carpark at the Junior Campus is now in use and looks great following the work done there. The turf project is progressing well and we look forward to seeing

this progress. We wish to extend our thanks to all of the staff at James Hargest College who are continuing to provide an excellent education for all learners during these challenging and uncertain times.

Chris O'Connor BOT Chairperson

# STUDENT ACCOUNTS

These are issued once a term by email.

We welcome Internet Banking payments -

please use your student's name and 5 digit ID number as a reference

**Senior Campus Account:** 

02 0924 0408612 02

**Junior Campus Account:** 

02 0924 0408612 01

Many families find it easier to make regular payments of \$20 per fortnight or \$10 per week for each child.

We also accept payments by cash, eftpos or credit card at both campuses at any time. You can also check your child's account at any time by logging into:

https://kamarportal.jameshargest.school.nz

If your child has recently moved to the Senior Campus, please remember to change the bank account on your internet banking payments.



#### KIA NOHO HAUMARU - KŌRERO MŌ TE NOHO TARATAHI

#### STAY SAFE - KÖRERO FOR SELF-ISOLATION

Your overall wellbeing is important while self-isolating at home with COVID-19. With many parts of your daily life changed, it is common to feel your wellbeing isn't what it usually is. Here are some simple things you can do at home to help your mind and body feel better.



#### **MOVE YOUR BODY**

Being physically active each day (as you can manage) can help your body recover more quickly, and is also great for managing stress.



#### **CALMING ACTIVITIES**

Focus on activities you enjoy doing and that will help you relax.



#### **EAT WELL - KAI**

Some foods will help your body to recover more quickly, keep it simple and stay hydrated.



#### **KEEP TO ROUTINES**

Routines help both physical and mental wellbeing by giving our days some structure, and help us return to normal life after isolating.



#### **PRIORITISE SLEEP - MOE**

Focus on 7-9 hours of quality sleep each night to help aid recovery, have a good sleep routine.



#### FIND WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

Connecting with others is important for your wellbeing and we can support each other to get through this.



# Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews

Please log on to schoolinterviews.co.nz with the code:

#### uvnuu

to book interviews with teachers you wish to speak to.

The interviews are held on:
Tuesday 8 March from 4:00pm - 6:30pm.
These interviews will be online, not face to face.

Year 9 Teacher Interviews are happening on Tuesday March 8. Because we are currently in Covid Red Level, these are online conferences, not face to face interviews. The interviews are five minutes long, and teachers may have to end your interview to keep to the schedule. Please feel free to email staff if you have further things to discuss.

You can make appointments by going to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and entering the event code uvnuu. You can view, change or cancel your bookings by clicking the link in the email and entering the event code uvnuu again.

You will receive an email confirming your bookings. This email will include the link to join the video conference with each teacher. Simply click the "Join video-conference link" at the booking time. The teacher will then let you into the conference.

# Illness under the COVID Protection Framework

A reminder to parents that under the current Covid Protection Framework, we are doing everything we can to keep the school open. This includes ensuring all children and staff who exhibit symptoms such as coughing, a runny nose, vomiting, diarrhea or a temperature do not come to school. If you do send your child to school and they are displaying these symptoms, your child will be sent home.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

# Accessing information about the school and your child using the Kamar portal and SchoolApps

Using the portal enables you to keep up to date with the following aspects of your child's education:

- School reports
- Absences and timetables
- School daily notices
- NCEA results
- Contact detail
- Account information

The portal can be accessed through the app - available for both apple and android devices, or a direct web address:

https://kamarportal.jameshargest.school.nz

If you download the app, then in settings you need to add the server address:

https://kamarportal.jameshargest.school.nz





#### Year 10-13 Parent Teacher Interviews

These will also be virtual on Wednesday 6 April from 3pm - 7.30pm. Bookings will open on Wednesday 24th March. The booking code is: vkysb

# Free Period Products available at JHC

Periods are a fact of life for half the population. Despite this, young people don't always have access to the products they need to feel comfortable at school, engage in their learning, and manage what should be a normal and healthy part of life. Poor access to period products can affect students' attendance and engagement at school. Students also miss out on sporting and cultural activities and can feel embarrassed and ashamed about not being supported to manage their periods. This affects their achievement and wellbeing. The Ministry of Education has made free period products available to all schools who sign up for this initiative to try to reduce barriers for young people. JHC has opted into this scheme. A variety of packs of pads and tampons are available. These products are easy to use and appropriate for a broad range of students' age, developmental, and cultural needs in the schooling context.

- Senior Campus students can come and pick up period products every Friday at interval in the office between P2 and P3.
- Junior Campus students can come and pick up products at the office before school or during interval or lunch times.

## **Student Centred Conferences**

Junior Campus

We will hold our Student Centred Conferences, a conference between the teacher, parent/guardians and the student, the week of the 14th-18th March. Your child will be the focus for the conference; they will be sharing their goals for the first half of the year with you. Due to Covid Red we will be running these conferences through Google Classroom and Seesaw. Information will be sent home regarding this via your classroom teacher.

# Pastoral Support with Year 7 and Year 8 Deans

Junior Campus

# Here at Junior Campus we have the added pastoral support positions of a Year 7 and Year 8 Dean.

Chloe Madden is our Year 8 Dean, working alongside current leaders (Stu Brown and Geoff Folster) and the homeroom teachers. This is another person able to give pastoral support for students in Year 8. Chloe can be contacted via email:

cmadden@jameshargest.school.nz

In Year 7 we have Mandy Saunders supporting our leaders; Amy Coward and Rosie Shanks. If needing to make contact, please email her at:

msaunders@jameshargest.school.nz



Chloe Madden Year 8 Dean



Stuart Brown Year 8 Leader



Geoff Folster Year 8 Leader



Mandy Saunders Year 8 Dean



Amy Coward Year 7 Leader



Rosie Shanks Year 7 Leader

# **NCEA Changes Being Planned**

Senior students are all encouraged to log into NZQA regularly to track their progress towards their certificate. They should know how many credits they have earned, how many they still have available and be proactive about following up any issues.

#### **NCEA levels and certificates**

There are three levels of NCEA certificate, depending on the difficulty of the standards achieved. At each level, students must achieve a certain number of credits to gain an NCEA certificate. Credits can be gained over more than one year.

#### **NCEA Requirements**

#### Level 1

80 credits are required at any level (level 1, 2 or 3) including literacy and numeracy.

#### Level 2

60 credits at level 2 or above + 20 credits from any level

The Level 1 literacy and numeracy requirements must also be met.

#### Level 3

60 credits at level 3 or above + 20 credits from level 2 or above. Literacy and numeracy requirements must also be met.

Credits gained at one level can be used for (or count towards) more than one certificate. They may also be used towards other qualifications. For example, unit standards in the domain 'generic computing' might be used towards a Level 2 NCEA certificate, as well as towards a National Certificate in Computing (Level 2); or 20 credits gained at Level 1 can also count towards a Level 2 NCEA certificate.

#### **University Entrance**

University Entrance (UE) is the minimum requirement to go to a New Zealand university. To be awarded UE you will need:

- NCEA Level 3
- Three subjects at Level 3, made up of:
  - 14 credits in each of three approved subjects
- Literacy 10 credits at Level 2 or above, made up of:
  - 5 credits in reading
  - 5 credits in writing
- Numeracy 10 credits at Level 1 or above, made up of:

- achievement standards specified achievement standards available through a range of subjects, or
- unit standards package of three numeracy unit standards (26623, 26626, 26627- all three required).

Once you have met the requirements for University Entrance, it will appear on your Record of Achievement.

#### **NCEA Change Package**

The NCEA changes will make our senior secondary qualification more robust, consistent, inclusive and accessible for students of all abilities and backgrounds. This provides an overview of the NCEA changes, and what they mean:

#### Make NCEA more accessible

Zero fees, fewer barriers for all learners, including those with disabilities and learning support needs by minimising the need for Special Assessment Conditions.

#### Mana ōrite mo te mātauranga Māori

Equal status for mātauranga Māori in NCEA. Develop new ways to recognise mātauranga Māori, build teacher capability, and improve resourcing and support for Māori learners and te ao Māori pathways.

#### Strengthen literacy and numeracy requirements

Ensure students with an NCEA have functional literacy and numeracy skills to ensure they are well-prepared to transition into further education or the workplace. JHC are piloting these new standards in 2022.

#### Have fewer, larger standards

New achievement standards and resources will be developed to replace existing standards and ensure the qualification credentials demonstrate the most significant learning in a learning area or subject.

#### Simplify NCEA's structure

Credits can no longer be carried over to the next level and resubmissions will only be allowed where they take students from a Not Achieved grade to an Achieved grade. Sixty credits will be required to pass each NCEA level.

Show clearer pathways to further education and employment Develop a Vocational Entrance Award to clearly signal when a student is ready to transition into higher level vocational education and strengthen vocational pathways through NCEA.

# **House Competitions**

Benchball

Our first House Competition of the year started with a bang in week 3. All Year 9 form classes along with their Peer Support leaders, took part in a benchball competition. The Southland sun came out to play as the competition heated up. It was wonderful to see so many form teachers, not only out supporting their classes but also getting involved on court too. Who could forget seeing Mrs Scobie and a student from an opposing class, so committed to the game that they not only chased the ball off court, but also all the way up the grass bank. A win was on the line!

Congratulations to everyone who was involved, and a special mention to T9CGL and H9SWO for making the final, with Hamilton coming out on top.

The competition rounded off with a staff vs Peer Support student game. The result of which saw the students taking out the win 2-1 in a very tight battle.





# Visit Arts at James Hargest College: https://www.facebook.com/artsjhc



Te toi whakairo, ka ihiihi, ka wehiwehi, ka aweawe te ao katoa.

Artistic excellence makes the world sit up in wonder.

# **Duke of Edinburgh** Congratulations to Callum Stratford who gained Silver and Halle Faherty who gained the Bronze Award for Duke of Edinburgh A fabulous achievment! RONZEAWARD

## ¡Pásalo bien Nicole!

Nicole Lina is off on an AFS exchange. She departed NZ on March 2nd bound for Resistencia City in the Chaco Province of Argentina. Nicole will live with her host mother Ana and host sister Maura for five months. Whilst in Argentina Nicole will attend Don Bosco School which is only a



five minute walk from where she will be living.

Nicole chatted to the AFS team at the Career Fest last year. AFS were giving out free t shirts so Nicole thought she would go and have a chat to them. There she discovered all of the opportunities for spending time overseas and decided to look into it further. AFS held a series of meetings and talked through options for scholarships, as well as all of the countries available. Nicole has been studying Spanish since Year 9 and so was keen to be immersed in a Spanish speaking country where she could be totally enveloped in the lifestyle.

Nicole started the application process in September last year, always wondering if it would actually go ahead. She had to complete all of the visa and medical forms as well as the scholarship applications last year. Nicole was successful in gaining almost full scholarships for her 5 months in Argentina. This year there are only 10 AFS students going on an exchange from New Zealand, previous to the current challenges there could be hundreds!

Nicole is most excited about being immersed in the culture and atmosphere. She is nervous about not knowing what people are talking about and being able to understand what is happening.

Nicole will return to JHC in Term Three where she intends to achieve University Entrance and head to Otago University next year. What a wonderful opportunity and awesome tenacity shown to make it happen. We wish Nicole all the very best on her travels.

## **Before School Maths Classes**

Junior Campus

Teachers are available to help your child in Before School Maths classes every Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.15 to 8.40 am (in the Fabrics Room). This is an individualised programme, so it caters for extension as well as support. Students can attend as they need, not necessarily every session. This programme starts weeks 7 or 8 so keep an eye out in the notices.

## **IMPORTANT!** Masks

Students are to bring spare masks to school in case their mask breaks or gets lost during the day.









# **Omaui Camp**

#### **Ōmaui senses recount - Body Boarding**

Slowly entering the water, the waves push past me, making the cuts on my leg sting. I see beautiful aquamarine rolling waves on the horizon. I can taste the fear in my mouth as the first wave approaches. I try to jump on but miss. Frigid water rushes past and over me, swooping away as the next wave comes, carrying me to the damp sticky shore. While screaming "Woohoo!" I run to the next wave and whoosh! The salty seawater leaks into my mouth and I spit it out, laughing.

Kids near me are screaming and shouting as a huge wave approaches.







The waves rush past me, carrying me back to my friends. A double wave I wasn't expecting pushes me forwards but I go straight back towards the waves. More water rushes past me and I get the timing just right. Zooming past the other kids, I see that my friend hasn't caught this one. As soon as I reach the shore I race back.

More waves come and go and we wait for a better one. Tim, the camp instructor, tells us one is coming. The billowing waves get closer and we catch it! More come and go and my frozen feet can't touch the bottom.

By Amelia Watson - Room 16





# JHC CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

(Earned in 2021)

Congratulations to all students who achieved their academic goals in 2021!

#### **Academic Excellence**

For Academic Excellence the Hargest system of awards is based on the NZQA system of endorsing certificates with Excellence, except that Excellence credits must be earned in one calendar year (ie 2021). To gain a general Excellence a student must gain at least 50 Excellence credits at that or a higher level.

#### Subject/Course Excellence

To gain Subject/Course Excellence a student must gain 14 or more credits at Excellence in a subject in one calendar year. Of these, at least 3 credits must be from externally assessed standards and at least 3 credits from internally assessed standards in that subject.

#### 100 Club

Students who get 100 Excellence credits are invited to join our elite 100 Club.

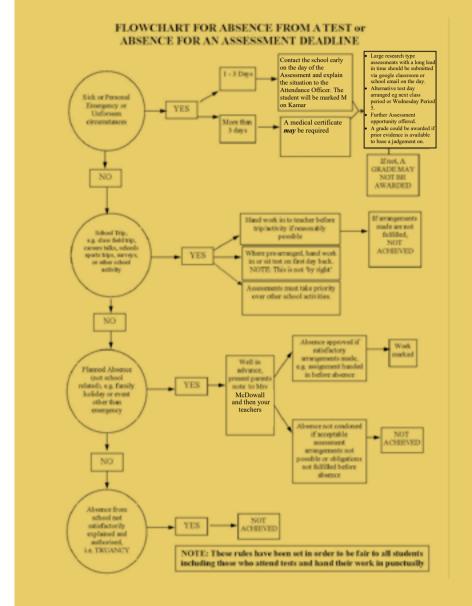
Students who have achieved these impressive results are encouraged to check the noticeboard outside Student Admin.



## **Assessment Procedures**

#### **COMPUTER ACCESS**

Students who have access to computers revoked can have their passwords reinstated during the period of assessment. It is the responsibility of the students to inform their class teacher in advance.



Look out for this at home and discuss it with your child!



# Your Online Access to Teaching Staff at Hargest

The age of e-mail contact has had the effect of making teacher/parent and teacher/student communication much easier, and, as a result, much more frequent! Generally this has been very positive for all of us. Whilst staff accessibility is encouraged, we have recognised the need for some guidelines in order to allow staff to "switch off" after normal work hours. (Part of being a "Good Employer").

#### **Guidelines/Expectations**

- We recognise that parents often send e-mails in evenings or weekends. (When they have time to attend to parenting issues!) However, staff are not expected to read or reply to e-mails after hours (ie during evenings, weekends or holidays).
- Staff response time will be variable according to their workload and teaching pressures. They are expected to acknowledge your email the next working day, and, where required, follow up with a more detailed response as soon as practicable (generally within two more days).
- Online accessibility of teachers by students follows the same guidelines, ie:
  - queries and questions may not be read or answered "after hours"
  - response times will vary
  - responses will be made as soon as practicable





# **English**

Year 10

Some of our Year 10 English classes have been enjoying career sessions run by Andrea through Great South. Session One focussed on who we are and the kind of person we want to be, session two honed in on our skills and how these can be connected to different careers. One element explored was collaboration through an activity where students stacked cups using just a rubberband attached to a string for each group member - it certainly wasn't easy!

Session three was adapted a little due to covid but the three classes were able to connect with three guests who work in different careers within our community via an online platform and enjoyed guessing their job, asking them lots of questions, and thinking about the possibilities based on their transferable skills. The rest of the Year 10 classes will enjoy these sessions as the term continues and as covid allows. A huge thank you to Andrea (who is running the WorkReady Passport through GreatSouth) and the community members for being so adaptable!





# **E-Learning at JHC**

A friendly reminder that the JHC website has a lot of useful information related to device use for parents under E-learning - Information for Parents

https://www.jameshargest.school.nz/pages/information-for-parents/

# Social Media Advice for Parents

This document has some handy tips to help keep your child safe online and ways to be a good

#### Windows 10

Windows 10 is free for students and can be installed on family devices that are used by students.



#### **Norton 360 Antivirus**

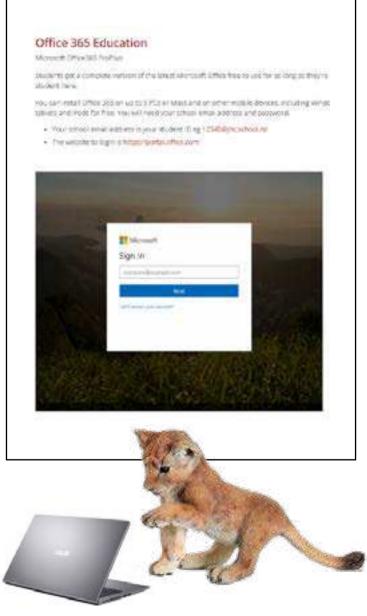
The Antivirus protection is 68% cheaper than retail and can be used on three devices.



#### Office 365

digital role model.

Students can install Office 365 on up to five PCs or Macs and on other mobile devices, including Windows tablets and iPads for free.





# **Morning Notices**

Both Campuses

Each morning classes have the day's notices read out to them. Notices include information on academic, sports and cultural activities available to students. These notices are available on the James Hargest website after 11am.

# Sports Academy Students 2022

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to be involved in the Sports Academy at the Junior Campus. The programme is for Year 8 students and aims to develop and enhance individual's sporting talents. Students will be involved in a variety of different cross training activities such as Spin, Boxing and Circuit Training. There are also classroom based sessions on nutrition, goal setting and sports psychology.

#### Intake 1

Odin Bartlett, Lucy Crawford, Alyssa Dakers, Maia Devery, Isaac Elder, Will Fleming, Olivia Johnson, Jesse Mercer, Carter Oliver, Rebecca Tull, Elsie Turrell and Charlie Wright.

#### Intake 2

Danyon Bent, Will Brown, Pyper Brown, Zachary Gillies, Lily Keast, Ethan McLardy, Ana McWilliam, Jed Muir, Ella Neylon, Jamie Riwhi, Max Savory and Samuel Walker.

# Youngest ever winner of the South Island Disc Golf Championships!

Congratulations to Levi Stout who won the South Island Open Disc Golf Event last month. That makes him the youngest ever winner. He has previously won three other open events in Twizel, Oreti Sands and Mosgiel as well as a host of Junior titles in the Under 15 and Under 18 categories. Levi has also achieved national prominence. In 2020 he won the junior division (18 and under) of the National Tour and did so again in 2021.

Levi started playing disc golf by joining his family and friends for a friendly game while on holiday in Te Anau. The whole family quickly became involved with the sport. Levi plays regularly with his mother, brother and step grandfather who is in his 80's! He aims to play 5 rounds a week as well as working on his throw in open fields. His commitment is certainly paying off with such a significant win under his belt!

Disc Golf is a minority sport that does not yet receive much coverage in NZ, however, it is growing rapidly and has a dedicated following. The national organisation, NZ Disc Golf, holds regional weekend tournaments throughout the year which are part of a wider "NZ tour". The number of participants is growing rapidly, as is the profile of the sport. In the USA, Disc Golf is a relatively new professional sport which is creating opportunities for players across the world. Levi's big goal is to play there on the circuit. He is certainly turning heads and making a name for himself in his sport here!





# Southland Secondary School Softball Tournament

Year 7 and 8

James Hargest Junior Campus was one of three schools who competed in this tournament. The first game saw JHC Junior lose to SBHS. There were some great skills seen out in the field.

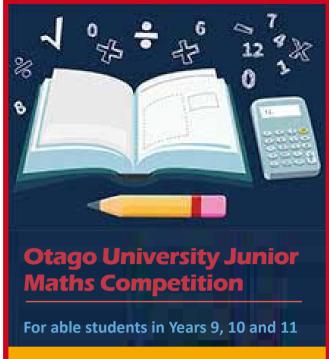
Angus Manson pitched some awesome balls to the opponents.

A highlight in one of the innings against SBHS was Jamie Riwhi getting a grand slam a home run with a base runner on each base scoring four runs).

James Hargest won their second game against SGHS.







The competition is run in two parts:

#### **Part One**

Multi-choice and short answer exam, sat online in first week of April

#### **Part Two**

For students who, from Part One, achieve in the top 15% in their year level nationwide. This will be a paper exam where full explanation of working is required. Wednesday 11 May

To enter please pay \$5 to the Main Office by 1st April.

Enquiries to Mrs Redmond: jredmond@jameshargest.school.nz

### **Tennis**

# Halle Faherty makes it a three peat!

Congratulations to Halle Faherty who won the Senior Women's Division of the Southland Open Tennis Championships for the third time in February. This is an outstanding achievement for Halle and comes after years of commitment and dedication to her sporting endeavors.

Because this was an Open Championship event, players from other provinces came to compete and challenge Halle, including players with higher rankings from other centers. Halle fought off a strong rival from Dunedin in the final to claim the victory.

Late last year Halle played in the Number 1 position for the Southland Women's team in the Southern Senior Teams event, taking on the best players from North Otago, Otago, Southern Lakes and Southland. Halle won all of her games against the best players from all of these regions, a pretty impressive achievement from a

full time student who was simultaneously achieving academic success at the highest level.

Tennis is a little tricky for Halle at the moment. Her coach left the province and trying to navigate a way to train and compete at the highest level without a squad around her comes with it challenges. Halle is not sure what is next for her with tennis, if she wants to keep improving and compete at the highest level it will mean significant travel. Halle wants to keep playing as long as she is enjoying it and will this year compete in tournaments around the country as well as Nationals in December.

Halle is also a highly driven, academically motivated student who never settles for anything below her best. We look forward to following what Halle achieves next!

# Rugby

Pre Season Fitness and Drills Sessions are underway! It has been great to see big numbers coming to preseason training already.

Sessions start at 4.30pm on the top field and boys and girls of all ages and grades are all welcome.

We are looking forward to interschool preseason games against Dunstan College at Alexandra on 8 April and against South Otago High School here on 30 April.

Finally, we will be asking students to sign up for teams at the end of February and will be looking for any parents who are interested in joining the committee or helping in some other way to let us know. Contact: Simon Richardson - Club Coordinator srichardson@jameshargest.school.nz



James Hargest College Rugby Club



# **Southland Secondary School Softball Tournament**



The day started with a game against SBHS. It was a great team effort to come back from 13-4 down. Big hits from Shaun Hopper and Carter Dougherty and a massive team effort put us ahead. Tight work in the field and unconventional pitching from Jamie Whittington kept SBHS scoreless in the last innings and gave us the win 14-13.

A home run from Shaun in the 1st innings and Jamie in the 3rd kept us in the game against SGHS A. Southland



Dinodh Perera and tight pitching from Nikiah Rouse led to a convincing 16-3 win over Verdon to take 3rd place.

Special mention should go to our four pitchers on the day - Carter, Shaun, Jamie and Nikiah. None of these players pitch in their club games and it was impressive to see them take on that challenge today.

### ¡Buena suerte Cormac!

Cormac Buchanan left us last week to fly to Barcelona via Dubai to join his team, the AGR Race team in Spain. Cormac has been selected to race in the prestigious European Talent Cup. Fifty riders from around the world have been selected for this series, where riders have to compete in qualifying races for each event. Only 36 of them will be given the nod to actually be on the start line.

Cormac will also be competing in his second year of the Red Bull Rookies Cup which is a World Championship Junior Event. This competition will see him race in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Germany, Finland, Austria and finally back in Spain.

Last year Cormac and his father travelled around Europe in a campervan attending the Rookies Cup races and with the benefit of experience, Cormac and his family have chosen to base themselves in Spain this year.

Over the NZ summer, Cormac has been hampered by a lot of the New Zealand racing season being cancelled, so he has made the decision to go to Europe earlier than planned in order to join the team and get to work on the bike. He has been working hard on his fitness and nutrition while home and feels like





he is the best prepared he could possibly hope to be. Cormac has lost around 7kg since he has been home, a massive effort considering there really wasn't all that much of him to start with! In the Rookies Cup, everyone rides the same bike with the same gear so differences in weight can make a big difference in the sprints. Cormac is looking forward to moving onto heavier bikes in the future where his weight won't need to be such an issue! Early in February the Southland Motor Cycle Club and Yamaha New Zealand organised the Yamaha Sprint Races at Teretonga as a fundraising event for Cormac's European campaign. Cormac was very grateful and humbled by the fantastic turnout and the support from well wishers. We wish Cormac all the best for the 2022 season and look forward to keeping up with his success while he is away. ¡Te deseo lo mejor del mundo!

# Absences/ Late to School/ Signing in or Out

Junior Campus

When you phone in an absence, please give the reason so it can be recorded with the correct coding in the attendance system. A medical certificate is requested at 3 days.

Please note that classes start at 8.50am and students are to be in class by that time. If students come in late, they are to go to the office before going to class to sign in and have their names deleted from the absence list. When collecting your child for an appointment please report to the office to collect them, not the classroom. Any visitors/parents coming to the school need to come via the office. If collecting a child we will phone for them to come to the office if necessary. They will need to sign out at the office and back in again when they return. Please advise your child's teacher via email, a message in their diary or a note.

# Marching

Gracie MacIntosh and Ella King make up part of the Southern Stars U12 Marching Team. In December they travelled to Christchurch to compete in the South Island Marching Championships, and they were placed 3rd Champion Tech Team in their grade.

On 20 February they marched locally at the Southland Champs, and they placed 2nd Southland Technical Team, 2nd Southland Display Team, they also won the Janine Laking Memorial Trophy for the Marching Southland Team of the Year, and the Anne Milne Memorial trophy for the Most Improved Display Team over all grades. Not a bad effort for this wee team that has only been competitive for two seasons.



# **Junior Campus Housekeeping**

# Phone calls/Messages for Students

The office is getting a large number of phone calls from parents asking for messages to be relayed to their child. Please make after school arrangements and reminders prior to the school day, as we cannot guarantee getting any last minute messages to your child. This is especially difficult on a Friday afternoon when the students are out at Sport.

# Year 7 Vision Testing

The Vision Technicians visit the Junior Campus to undertake vision screening for all Year 7 students and colour vision screening for Year 7 male students. Your child will not be screened if they are under the care of a Specialist and/or Optometrist. Parents/caregivers will be notified if further assessment is required by an Optometrist. If you do NOT wish your child to be screened, please notify the school.

Some Year 8 students who were absent in Year 7, or who require retesting, may also be seen by the Vision Technicians.

## **Parent Parking**

Parents are **not** to park in either the Layard Street or the Queens Drive staff carparks. There is a visitor's park available in front of the office should you need to access the office during the day. Parents are **not** to use the driveway and staff car park by the Office to drop your child off before school or to collect your child after school.





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## **Sun Safety**

Students may wear plain white hats, or the school bucket hat when outside during summer. They are not to be worn in class and must have the studnets name written on the inside. We encourage students to bring their own sunscreen but do have it available on the counter at the school office.

#### **Health Nurse**

The Health Nurse is available at the Junior Campus. If you have any concerns please phone the school office and we will arrange for Miss Peterson to contact you. If students wish to see the Health Nurse they are able to make an appointment by placing a request in the red post box in the office foyer.



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At James Hargest College we are always interested in engaging with our community and listening to parents, whanau and the wider community. If you have any good ideas or there is something special that has happened regarding Hargest, or there are issues, concerns or complaints we should be aware of, please contact the school office Senior Campus (2176129) or Junior Campus (2179250) or via email, office@jameshargest.school.nz You will be put in contact with an appropriate staff member

### **Information Updates**

If you have any changes to your details (e.g. address, phone numbers, medical details, emergency contacts, etc), please let the school know as soon as possible in order to keep our records up-to-date.

Please email Mrs Breen (Senior Campus) with any changes at office@jameshargest.school.nz

or phone 2176129

or Mrs Cribb (Junior Campus) at juniorcampus@jameshargest.school.nz

or phone 2179250

#### **E-mail Newsletters**

The next newsletter will be issued via email on Friday 1 April 2022. Hard copies of the newsletter will be available from either the Junior or Senior Campus office.

You can view the newsletter on the Hargest web site www.jameshargest.school.nz

## **Payments**

Payments for both camps, Deep Cove and Omaui, are now due.

All payments sent to the school with your children must have their full name, room number and state what the money is for. Payments are made to the school office. We can take cash, internet banking or eftpos. Partial payments and automatic payments are welcome.

Please remember to change the bank account to the Senior Campus account once your child moves on to the Senior Campus.

# **Coming Events for 2022**

## Senior Campus

March
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March				
Tue	8	Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews		
Thur	10	BOT Meeting		
Tue	15	PTA AGM		
Fri	18	Last Day of Tasters		
April				
Wed	6	Year 10-13 Parent Teacher Interviews		
Thu	14	Mufti Day		
		Last day of Term One		
Fri	15	Good Friday		
Sun	17	Easter Sunday		
Mon	18	Easter Monday		
Mon	25	ANZAC Day		
May				

**Term Two Begins** 

# **Junior Campus**

#### March

Mon

Mon-Fri 14-18 Goal Setting Conferences

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Tue-Wed	12-13	<b>HPV Vaccinations</b>
Thu	14	Mufti Day
		Last day of Term One
Fri	15	Good Friday
Sun	17	Easter Sunday
Mon	18	Easter Monday
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#### **HARGEST STUDY CENTRE**

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