

JHC

JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE KEEP FAITH



Principal's Comment



Mike Newell Principal

Kia ora e te whānau

Last week saw the conclusion of our Year 7 and 8 Camps. These outdoor educational experiences are part of the JHC tradition and offer many opportunities for our students to connect with others, be challenged and grow. I would like to thank our whānau who have assisted with these camps, they can't operate without your commitment. Across both campuses we have seen the resumption of numerous school trips and activities, made possible because of fewer covid restrictions. I would like

to thank all of our staff who have been involved in these camps, trips and school activities. During a time of industrial action you have maintained a high level of professionalism and kept the students at the core of what we are about.

Thank you to all of our whanau who attended our parent teacher interviews and student centred conferences across both campuses recently. We trust you received specific feedback in regards to the progress of your children. Thank you also for the hugely positive feedback you have given us about our Hargest Way and live reporting. We hope that the regular attendance data helps you to have important conversations with your students. The significant correlation between attendance and achievement is irrefutable. We know that every day matters and students learn best when they are in school. We acknowledge some teething issues with our new reporting system but more regular information about achievement and learning attitudes is clearly appreciated by our families.

As we say goodbye to daylight savings and summer, we looking forward to winter sports competitions starting next term. Many of our teams are well underway with trials and practices. Our Kapa Haka Roopu and Major Production cast are rehearsing for their upcoming performances and they are sounding fantastic. We encourage our students to

get involved with some of the numerous extra curricular activities on offer. It is well known that engaging in sports and cultural activities helps with engagement in the classroom and an increased sense of belonging to our college.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Easter and holiday break and we look forward to seeing our students back on Wednesday 26 April.

Ngā mihi Mike Newell *Principal*

Staff News

Welcome

Natalie Surynt

It is with pleasure that we welcome Natalie Surynt to our kura, working with our Year 9 and 10 students in English. Natalie comes to us with an astute understanding of curriculum in her overflowing kete of knowledge, skill and passion in the Junior English arena. We know the students in her classes will relish the opportunity to learn from her, benefiting from her wisdom, critical thinking, and creativity. Welcome Natalie, we look forward to growing learning relationships with you.

From the Boardroom



Toni Green BOT Presiding Member

Kia ora koutou

The March meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Murihiku Young Parents Learning Centre (MYPLC). MYPLC is a school for teenage parents and sits under the governance of James Hargest College. The overarching

purpose of MYPLC is to provide learning and wellbeing programmes that enable young parents to achieve the educational success necessary for the careers of their choice. Their vision is "to develop a strong belief, enabling success as independent learners and empowering students to be positive parents." Kim Scott, the director of MYPLC spoke to the Board about the many successes wahine are experiencing. It was fantastic to hear about the great support they are given both in traditional education and also with practical support enabling them to attend and achieve. A big thank you to Kim and her team for the important mahi they do everyday which makes a genuine difference. We are lucky to have this facility in Invercargill. It is one of only four in the South Island. The Board also wishes to acknowledge the work of the staff at James Hargest College during this hectic term with all of the uncertainty that has surrounded schools across the country. We are appreciative of the clear and direct communication from Mike Newell around days the school cannot be open for

instruction and the immense flexibility and adaptability shown by the staff to ensure the students do not miss out. Thank you too to our wonderful homestay families who have opened their homes to our International students. It was lovely to meet so many of you at the Homestay potluck dinner earlier his month. International students make a fantastic contribution to our school and learning about another culture is such a valuable experience for kiwi kids. We look forward to continuing to rebuild our International program over the next few years. Lara Buchanan, the Director of International students and the International team (Kylie, Shellee and Christine) have done a great job promoting our place overseas and looking after these students who are a long way from home. As we wrap up Term One, the board wishes to extend our best wishes to all in the James Hargest whānau for a relaxing and rejuvenating holiday break doing whatever makes you happy. Ka kite. Toni Green

Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Whanau Report

Tēnā rā koutou katoa e te whānau o Hēmi Hākena. Term one has been an exciting term for our whānau class. It has been motivating and inspiring to start the new NCEA Te Reo Māori Pilot Standards for Levels One and Two this year, and we have already seen early successes with students' engagement, understanding and passion for the language. Our Hautonga Kapa haka campaign Wednesday and Sunday practices have been fantastic in creating a kapa whānau and our latest Poi and Waiata-ā-ringa is getting us all excited about hitting the Hautonga stage at the Otago/Southland Secondary Schools Kapa Haka Competition, held here in Invercargill on Sunday August the 20th at the ILT Stadium. It will be awesome to have the home crowd on our side. We mihi to all the whānau that have been



Matua Neitana Tane

helping us during our kapa practices and we also send out the invitation to any students who want to be apart of our non competitive Polyfest kapa which practice every Monday straight after



Matua Terence O'Brien

lunch in the School Hall. Kia pai, kia haumaru ngā hararei e te whānau, me whakatā ka tika kia piki ake te ora mō te wāhanga tuarua e haere mai nā, mauri ora, hui ē tāiki ē.

PTA Report



Ainslie Bruce Chairperson

Kia ora from the PTA

The PTA met last month with a few new parents joining us which great to see! We confirmed the 2023 budget with our regular expenses being pre-approved for the year. The PTA also confirmed \$600 for the Vincent Ladbrook Memorial which will be installed at a later date. We also arranged for a snack pack for each staff member participating in the Parent Teacher Interviews recently.

The PTA were generously donated Caltex Star cards worth \$1000 recently. Thank you to Yogi for your amazing support!

Our AGM will be held on 2nd May at the

Senior Campus at 7.30pm. Please join us if you're interested in joining the PTA. It's a great way of being included in your school and a fabulous way to get know staff members and other parents!

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

Iti noa ana he pito mata *From the withered tree, a flower blooms*

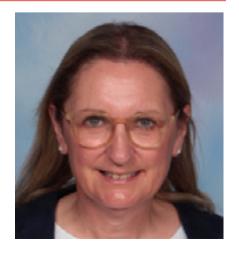
Ngā mihi Ainslie Bruce PTA Chairperson

Staff News

Farewell

Georgina Robertson

Georgina joined the JHC staff in 2018 and taught in both the Science and Mathematics departments. Georgina displayed a sound academic awareness which enabled her to prepare and present lessons catering to both the abilities and needs of individuals and particular classes. She always gave her time generously and willingly to the benefit of her students. We wish her well in her move to Christchurch and thank her for the commitment and contribution she has given to her students.



PTA Meeting Dates

The next PTA meeting will be in the Brigadier's Room at the Senior Campus at 7.30pm on:

- 2 May 2023 (AGM)
- 27 June 2023
- 5 September 2023
- 7 November 2023

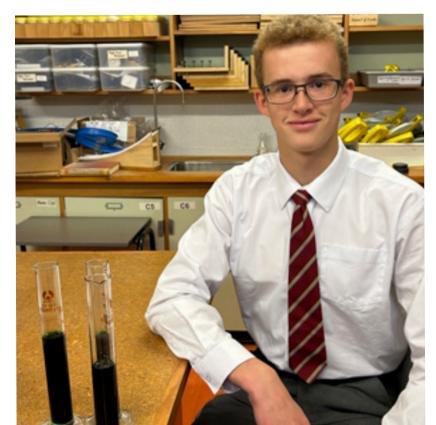
December & January Uniform Sale dates to be confirmed



Chemistry Olympiad

Benjamin Elder (Yr13) has been accepted into the Chemistry Olympiad Training Camp! He has gone through two selection stages so far. The first one was last year, which selected about a hundred students from a few thousand students. The second one was an exam that he passed last week, and that made him one of the top 32 Chemistry students (Year 12 and 13) in New Zealand!

Benjamin will be off to the Training Camp in April for six days with 31 other students from around the country. At the end of that camp, three students will be selected to represent New Zealand in July at the International Chemistry Olympiad competition in Switzerland. Huge congratulations Benjamin! (pictured below)



Otago University Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival Southland

At the recent Southland Festival held at James Hargest College, the James Hargest 15 Minute piece from Twelfth Night, directed by Lydia Blomfield was awarded selection to the National Festival as the best 15 Minute Piece. Lydia also won The Best Student Director and the group won Best Costume for their clever use of Black and White with signature colours added. The group had been rehearsing intensively and their piece was fast moving, funny and thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. We wish them all the best at the National festival in Wellington over King's Birthday Weekend.



Biology Olympiad

Declan Crombie was awarded a Silver Certificate from their recent examination for the Biology Olympiad programme. This means they have been selected to attend the Training & Selection Camp to be held in the next school holidays.

Only 22 students have been selected to attend this camp. At the end of this camp 4 students are selected to be in an NZ team to participate at a world event. This place at the Camp is the culmination of a lot of solid mahi by Declan who began with an entry exam back in August last year.

Since the start of Term four last year they have worked tirelessly over the holidays to complete a tutorial programme that has been run through Facebook and Ed. Perfect and another programme online, and then sat another exam on the 8th of March this year, which resulted in this Silver Certificate. Well done Declan!



Down with Darth Vader!

Students in the Support Centre have been working on activities which help to improve hand eye coordination and a collaborative approach. They tested their skills with nerf guns and the goal was to take down Darth Vader. There was some excellent communication on display and wonderful team work as a strategy was developed. It was not possible to bring him down alone, but together the ākonga were successful! He waka eke noa.







Kaitiaki Environmental Group Junior Campus

The Kaitiaki Environmental Group is looking to take action to be guardians of our natural resources. They have been working with Environment Southland spending time at the Southland Community Nursery and at the Waihopai stopbank planting site. This group has been learning how to identify plants, collect seeds and protect new plantings.





for 2023

Term 1: Thursday 6 April: End of Term 1 Friday 7 April: Good Friday (public holiday)

Term 2: Monday 24 April: Teacher Only Day Tuesday 25 April: Anzac Day (public holiday) Monday 5 June: King's Birthday

(public holiday)

Friday 30 June: Last day of Term 2 Friday 14 July: Matariki (public holiday)

Term 3: Monday 17 July: Start of Term 3 Friday 22 September: Last day of Term 3

Monday 9 October: Start of Term 4 Term 4: Monday 23 October: Labour Day (public holiday)

Toi (Wearable Arts)

Junior Campus

It's all go in the mornings before school and at lunchtimes with the 2023 Toi (Wearable Arts) teams. Everyone is making the most of the time slots available and are enthusiastically getting into it... glueing, stitching, cutting, ripping, painting, drawing, fitting, pinning, over laying, thinking outside the box and creating their entries.

Public Health Nurse

Senior Campus

Our Public Health Nurse (Emma) is available every Tuesday lunch time in the Guidance Department. This is a free, confidential service.

You can text 0275793252 to book an appointment with Emma, turn up on the day or arrange an appointment through the Guidance department.



International Students

40 of our International Students headed to Round Hill recently for a history lesson in Southland's Chinese Gold Mining as well as a 3km walk. Following that, students spent time looking for various gems on Gemstone Beach. Some were lucky enough to find a few treasures and some just enjoyed jumping in the waves or engineering a dam. Finally, we stopped off at Te Hikoi Museum to learn a bit more about local heritage and buy a few souvenirs. Matua Tane treated some of the bravest to tasting a Southern Oyster.

Mihi Whakatau

We were honoured to formally welcome our International Students with a mihi whakatau last week. We have been waiting three years to host our International Students again and so this welcome was truly special.



Arrival of Prince Royal College Students - Chiang Mai Thailand







International Pot Luck Homestay Dinner

Sharing kai and stories was the order of the evening when homestay families and our International students got together last week. With over 150 people in attendance, it was a fabulous way to thank and celebrate our wonderful homestay families.





PRESIDENTS Charlotte Blay Megan Sullivan

EVENTS

Callum Stratford

Dana Banzuelo

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC MENTORS Ananya Bedi Annie Zhang



INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The IFC are a group of students who enjoy learning about other cultures and also supporting those who have come from overseas to live in Invercargill. This term, members have offered buddy reading twice a week, made crepes and also gone ice skating. Another role

has been playing games at the Junior Campus at the after school care for the Thai group. Pictured L-R: Dana Banzuelo, Ishaan Boon, Charlotte Blay, Megan Sullivan, Ava Allan, Ananya Bedi and Annie Zhang. Absent: Callum Stratford



CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE 100 Club

These students earned a place in the 100 Club in 2022

The James Hargest College 100 Club is designed to celebrate the highest academic success. Students need to earn the required Excellence

credits in one calendar year and achieve almost all, if not all of the credits on offer at Excellence level. This is a superb achievement and the students who achieved this magnificent honour should be very proud of their outstanding work across the curriculum.



Academic Excellence Endorsements

Overall Excellence Awards from 2022 were earned by students who achieved 50 Credits at Excellence Level across the curriculum

Level One

Jess Ballantyne Ishaan Boon Mia Brown Sophie Byrne **Brady Cameron Roland Cameron** Cassie Campbell Lily Campbell Samuel Collins Lucy Cooper **Brooke Cross** Sean Cross **Emerson Dahldavis** Charlotte Dassen James Dyer Fahim Firdaus James Fisken James Fleming Ron Geilik

Vicky Han

Sarah Hay

Ruby Hickey Noah Jaleeludeen Tequin Lake Katie Lawrence Jordan Marshall Tess McGregor **Gavith Mohottallage** Jacob Mortimer Cindy Nguyen Ronan O'Connor Maya Oppikofer Claire Phillipson Sam Schol **George Shirley** Oliver Speight Jian Torrepalma Samuel Winder Alex Zernov

Level Two

Darika Abeysinghe

Dana Banzuelo James Bath **Ruby Bath** Sean Bath Claire Best Charlotte Blay Lvdia Blomfield Meadow Bodkin-Allen Conrad Clark Michael Clinckett Lydia Condon Jemma Coutts Maia Cribb Declan Crombie Holly Cunliffe Liam Devery Sewmi Dissanayaka Rachel Eckhold Benjamin Elder Melanie Hart Caitlin Hartley Hasnula Hewa Babaranda

Jadine Janssen

Michael Jones

Forrest Lung
Katie Melgren
Ryder Mikkelsen
Joseph Nicol
'Onevai Pita
Benjamin Scott
Claire Shaw
Tasmin Smith
Ruby Stewart
Lilly Stotzer
Levi Stout
Megan Sullivan
Ella Sutherland
Tiana Turnbull

Samantha Jones

Sophie Kelsall



Congratulations James Hargest College Top Scholars 2022

NCEA ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE ENDORSEMENTS



DALGITY



HOLLY DARRAGH







ЕММА **FAHERTY**







FAHERTY



DAVID FLINT



FAHERTY





HENDERSON



SOPHIA KWONG



NICOLE

LINA

ERFERORN





JOSEPH **SCOTT**







SEARING

PATRICK



SCHOLARSHIPS

NCEA



BRIANNA LOAN Scholarship in Accounting Scholarship in Music Scholarship in Statistics & Academic



ALICE MCINTOSH Scholarship in Economics Scholarship in English & Academic Excellence



MEADOW **BODKIN-ALLEN** Scholarship in Music (Year 12)

We are proud of the achievements of our top scholars in 2022, earning 6 NCEA Scholarships across 5 different subjects.

We also acknowledge the 17 students who gained Excellence Endorsements at Level 3 NCEA.

We think that this kind of success is worth celebrating. These students were honoured and congratulated in person at a special ceremony.







JHC LEO Club

LEO Club is up and running for 2023. Our new leadership group are regularly meeting to decide what will be the key areas to work in in 2023. The comittees are all dedicated to serving our community and beyond.

The committee meetings encourage the whole club to get involved and make a positive difference to our community.

Thanks so much to James Bath, Claire Shaw, Melanie Hart and Callum Stratord who volunteered at the recent Surf to City event and earned a donation to LEO. Supporting important community events is a fantastic way to make a positive difference - thanks for doing that on behalf of LEO leaders!



JHC LEO Club Leaders



Co-PresidentsBenjamin Elder and James Bath



Secretary Tiana Turnbull



TreasurerLilly Stotzer

Committee Leaders



SaturnMelanie Hart & Lydia Blomfield



NeptuneLydia Condon & Anna Jeffrey



Venus Kate Russell & Hazel Gray



Mars Sewmi Dissanayaka & Ananya Bedi







Click Happy Visual Poetry Jam Workshop

On Wednesday 1st of March, Mandi Lynn gave us an amazing opportunity to learn more about the world of photography. We did things like leading lines, blurring backgrounds and so much more. The thing that I enjoyed the most was monochromatic backgrounds with a special object that is important to us. By Holly Anderson



We went to the library to develop our skills in photography with the help of Mandi Lynn and other librarians there. We were told to bring a significant item and photograph it with instructions such as leading lines, rule of thirds, monochromatic, and a few others. Overall I enjoyed my time there. The staff were very friendly and patient with us. (Also her dog was very nice) *By Jayden Smit*

To parents and caregivers,

I know as a parent myself, that we worry about our kids all the time, are they safe? Are they okay? As they get older, are they making good choices? So far this year in Southland we have already seen six people die on our roads from road crashes.

Education is the key to keeping our teenagers safe behind the wheel, and parents play a key role. We ask you to help us by having those conversations with your children or other young people you care for. Everyone needs to put their phones down when they are driving. We see people playing on their phones while driving every single day.

Having conversations around driving to the conditions, particularly around speed, wearing safety belts, not driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs and focusing on the road in front of them are also important conversations. I know these all sound like basic messages but these are the themes of every serious or fatal crash. Police are working hard to keep our roads safe, but ultimately drivers will be the ones who decide if they get to their destination safely.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and we urge you to have those conversations and help us keep our young people safe on the road.

Yours sincerely, Inspector James URE Southern District Road Policing Manager





The Year 12 Food and Nutrition class recently visited Blueberry Country and Wilson's Veges. This field trip was a part of the students' study around Sustainable Food Practices. The students gained valuable knowledge from both farms and the farm operators were very generous with both their time and sharing their knowledge and expertise. Sourcing food locally is now a sustainable food practice that the students have a valuable insight into. Students were gifted with produce from the farms and have spent time making jam, relish chutney and trying new recipes using fresh local produce.



Duke of Edinburgh



Congratulations to Neve Templeton, Zachary Tull, and Ella McEwan-Franks who received Bronze awards.

Duke of Edinburgh students participate in a number of activities: Service activities, e.g. giving help in the local community; Skills, e.g. learning almost any non-physical hobby, skill or interest; Physical Recreation, e.g. playing sport; Adventurous Journey - training for, practising, planning and completing a journey on foot.

If you would like to become involved in Duke of Edinburgh Award, please see Ms Smith.

Education Perfect

Languages Championships

A number of our students participated in a 7 day on-line language competition in March. Congratulations to the 21 students who earned themselves certificates:

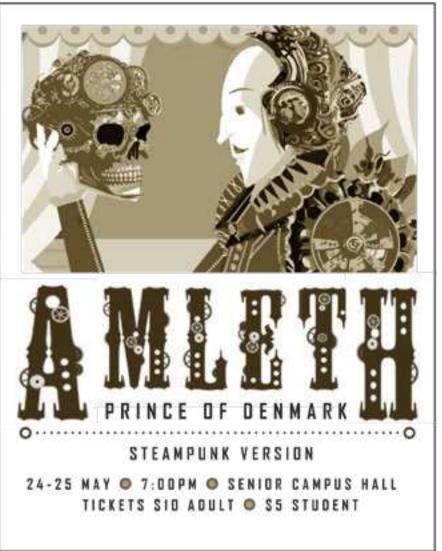
Emerald (10 000 points) pictured right, L-R Cissie Lung (Y10 Japanese) Sarah Hay (Y12 Spanish)

Gold (3000 points)

Toby Huang (Y9 Japanese)

Silver (2000 points)

Sewmi Dissanayaka (Y13 French & Spanish) Sam Dawson (Y10 Japanese) Twizel Corrales (Y11 Japanese) Harris Evans (Y11)





Bronze (1000 points)

Maddison Cheung (Y9 Spanish) Ella McEwan-Franks (Y10 French Enzo Cruz (Y9 Spanish) Alexander Sandiford (Y10 Spanish) Eviah Kennedy (Y10 Japanese) Apollyon Hall (Y10 Japanese) Ava Barker (Y9 Japanese)

Credit (500 points)

Ella Nicoll, (Y9 Spanish)
Bimsarani Rajasinghe (Y11)
Nathan Wijaya (Y9 Japanese)
George McMillan (Y9 Japanese)
Zach Clyma (Y11 Japanese)
Aston Couper (Y9 Japanese)
Brooke Cooper (Y10 Japanese)



WHĀNAU KŌRERO

Celebrating Race Relations Day

Race Relations Day is an important occasion in New Zealand that is celebrated annually on 21 March. It coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and is an opportunity to reflect on the importance of promoting diversity, equity and inclusion in society. As a parent or caregiver, it is crucial to teach your child about the importance of respecting and celebrating different cultures, ethnicities and backgrounds.

Support your child in having a clear understanding of racial harmony by modelling inclusive and respectful behaviour, encouraging empathy, appreciating the experiences of others, and speaking up against racism.

Teaching children about different cultures and having open conversations about race and discrimination can help them to develop a strong sense of moral and ethical values.

Race Relations Day has become more prominent, with events and activities now taking place across Aotearoa. By raising awareness and encouraging dialogue around the importance of cultural humility and inclusiveness, we can foster positive attitudes and beliefs towards racial harmony. This will help create a more inclusive and equitable world.

This Special Report hopes to instil positive values and create an opportunity to start a conversation with your child about understanding diversity and multiculturalism. We hope you take a moment to reflect on the information offered, and as always, we welcome your feedback. If this raises any concerns for you, a loved one or the wellbeing of your child, please consider seeking medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report https://jameshargest.nz.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-celebrating-race-relations-day





World Vision

Our World Vision child is Mamiko Yona. She lives in Malawi, Africa. Mamiko is 16 years old.





The James Hargest College kākahū ōpaki day raised \$2,081.10 to support our sponsored child and World Vision. Mrs Greeff and Mrs Craig spent the day in uniform to support this great cause.



Chess Tournament

On Wednesday the 8th of March, a chess tournament was held in the library to raise funds to go towards World Vision. This was the first chess tournament held within JHC, with a total of 22 students participating with one coming out on top. Benjamin Geilik won the tournament with 4.5 points, and has won a chess book signed by the previous Invercargill chess champion, Mr Pyne.

Mr Pyne is going to play a chess game with him as well. From this event, the chess club was able to raise \$110 dollars. Another chess tournament is coming up, but this time its house vs house competition. So if you are interested and want to earn points for your house please contact Forrest Lung for more information. *By Aaron Clarke*



School Council

Voting for the Student Council took place this March. The role of the Student Council is to help make the school a better place to learn, work on community based projects and to encourage and develop activities to the continued development of school spirit. Class representatives have a varied role including bringing any ideas, interests and concerns of their classmates to meetings, reporting back to their form classes any issues discussed at meetings and providing volunteer service during school events, just to name a few. This year our council also includes representation from students in the Whānau form class, International form class and Student Support Center.

Congratulations to all successful candidates.

Senior Council

	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Hamilton	Caleb Devery Deputy: Heilala Pita	Emily Oliver	Melanie Hart Deputy: Holly Cunliffe
Menzies	Calin Grice	Jhan-Ali Tekinkaya	William Duthie
	Deputy: Annie Zhang	Deputy: Charlotte Dassen	Deputy: Ruby Stewart
Thomson	Katelyn Street-Wilson	Emerson Dahldavis	James Bath
	Deputy: Macey Ellis	Deputy: Ethan Tanner	Deputy: Ethan Wishart
Watson	Harris Evans	Brooklynn Bavin	Conrad Clark
	Deputy: Jay Wright	Deputy: Harshitha Yogeswaran	Deputy: Lydia Blomfield

Junior Council

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Junior Council		Form Class	Class Representative	Deputy
SSC	Bailey Mead Deputy: Jackson Haig	H9AWN	Isaac Elder	Ruby Kite
Whānau	Isimeli Levuimata Deputy: Amelia-Jayne de Thierry-Curry	H9RLF H9SB	Harris Lindsay Jaden Bruce	Jaelyn Bathurst Sophie Meijer
		мэкнѕ	Noah Hackett	Benjamin Hose
Senior Council		M9LDP	Sabin Muir	Mercedes Checketts
International		T9EJN	Mason Evans	Avril Kummer
	Phoenix Youngdaeng Deputy: Ong Soonkijkan	Т9НРО	Aston Couper	Alex Samson
SSC	Ethan Parkhill Deputy: Scott Garnett	T9JBL	Laura Davis	Araya Kilgour-Phillips
		W9JCO	Alex Borrie	Fletcher McDowall
Whānau	Chloe Savage Deputy: Shya Enright	W9KLY	Hannah Dick	Ben Hargest
		W9PRL	Abby Graham	Samuel Walker
2.250 130	**	H10NL	Addison Robertson	Ronin Barrett
		NL201H	David Wedge-Birchall	Kyra Savory
		H10SWO	Mia Ronald	Jonathan Ciju
		M10ECL	Charlee Miller	Alexander Sandiford
	The state of the s	M10ETS	Kiah McLean	Amelia McCorkindale
		M10SGF	Olivia Agnew	Kelly Riwhi
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		W10AMA	Mason Shaw	Ben Wyatt
No.		W10KT	Niko Salesa	Scarlet Rooney
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Interclass Challenge

Junior Campus

The Tug of War Interclass Challenge was held recently. Congratulations to:

Room 15 - Year 8 Champions

Room 13 - Year 7 Champions







Dance

Johran Dillinger-Waldron attended the National Boys' Dance Convention in Christchurch earlier this year.

This is an annual event for male dancers comprising of a competition 'Battle of the Boys' and two days of classes in Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Acro, Hip Hop and Lyrical culminating in a concert to showcase the work learnt.

It was a beautiful weekend and male dancers representing all of our major cities and places in between attended. Johran won the Junior National Champion title, which, in the dancing world is a huge achievement... above and beyond that, this is a massive triumph for our deaf community. Congratulations Johran!





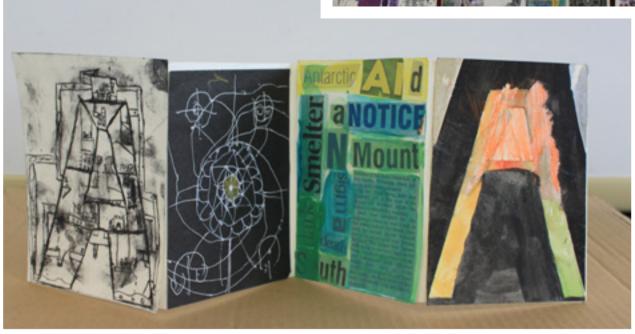
Year 9 Art

Our Year 9 students completed exciting zines during their Visual Art taster.

Optional Posture Support

As part of our health and safety policy, we have been researching cost effective ways of improving posture when using a laptop or tablet. Stands are one option. The stand pictured left is available through Kmart for \$12.









Volleyball Gold Medalists

South Island Champions

The Senior Girls' Volleyball Team has had a successful month. After winning the grading tournament in Queenstown they went to Christchurch to compete in Division 2 at the South Island Champs. They stunned the opposition winning all their pool games but lost narrowly in the semi final 26-24, 24-26, 25-20, 26-24. The following weekend they won the Southland Champs beating Wakatipu in the final. Awesome mahi girls!

Planting the Waihopai

Junior Campus

A group of 10 enthusiastic students attended the Waihopai plant site celebration with Environment Southland. Students were involved in activities including identifying native plants, identifying birds and learning how to protect new plantings.







Cycling

Track Nationals

Well done to all JHC cyclists who recently took part in the Age Group Track Nationals - riding for both Gforce and Cycling Southland. All JHC riders were outstanding on and off the track. They carried themselves with the JHC values and we are all very proud of them. The racing from all around the country was outstanding over the 5 days with stiff competition happening at all age groups.

Medalists

Marshall Erwood

Trophy for most points overall (U19) Gold U19 Men's Elimination Race Gold U19 Men's Scratch Race Gold U19 Men's 1000m Time Trial Gold U19 Men's Team Sprint Silver U19 Men's Individual Pursuit Silver U19 Men's Points Race

Finn Edwards

Gold **U17 Points Race** Gold U17 Scratch Race Sliver U17 500 TT

Silver U17 Team Sprint (With Jono Blyth) Bronze U17 Team Pursuit (With Jono,

Hamish Plus Lauchie)

Conrad Clark

U19 Keirin **Bronze Mens Sprints**

Riley Faulkner

Gold U17 Girls 500m TT Silver U17 Girls Sprint

Zadie Scott

Gold U17 Team Sprint (With Emily)

Jonathan Blyth

Bronze U17 Team Sprint Silver U17 Team Pursuit

Hamish Wallace

Silver U17 Team Pursuit

Ruby Bath

Bronze Open Women's Team Pursuit

JHC Cycling Southland representatives

Marshall Erwood (U19) Ruby Bath (U19) Kate Russell (U1)9) Riley Faulkner (U17) Sarah Hartstonge (U17) Jack Madden (U17) Alex Borrie (U15)

JHC Gforce representatives

Zadie Scott Jonathan Blyth Hamish Wallace Finn Edwards Conrad Clark

Photo Credit Eugene Bonthuys & James Jubb





Oceania Championships

Hargest students performed exceptionally at the competition, earning a total of seven medals. Brilliant racing from the team!

Marshall Erwood

Gold

U19 Mens Scratch Race

U19 Mens 1000m Time Trial

U19 Mens Elimination

U19 Menss Madison

Silver

U19 Mens Team Pursuit

Conrad Clark

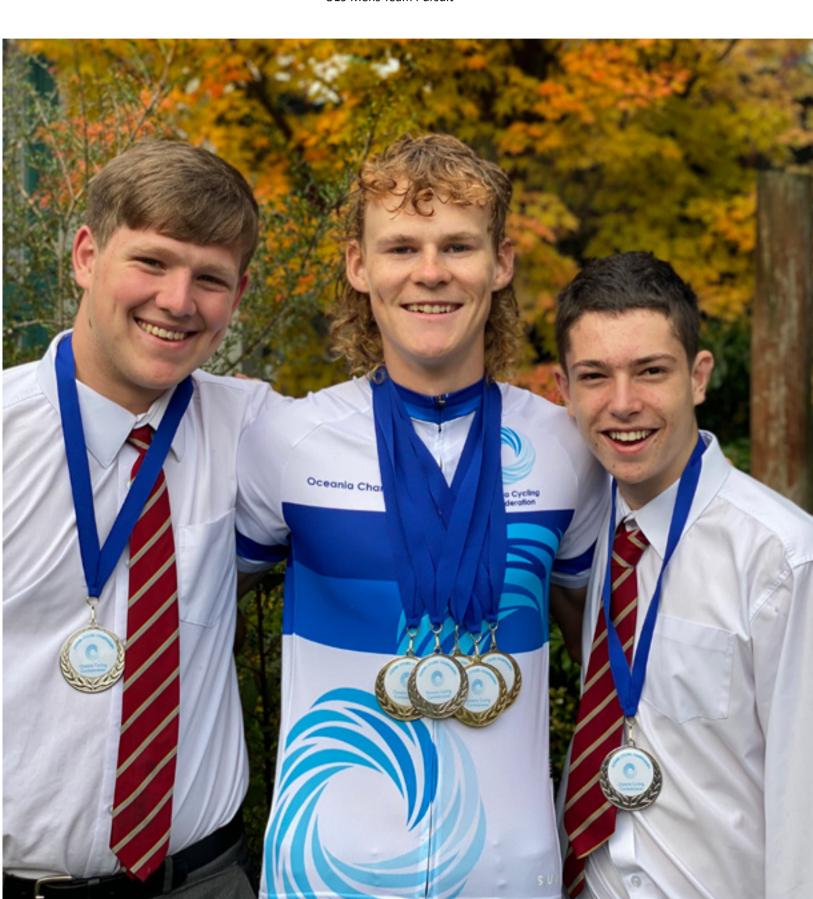
Silver

U19 Mens Team Sprint

George Manson

Silver

U19 Mens Team Sprint





SISS Rowing

The South Island Secondary Schools Rowing Regatta was held in Twizel 10-12 March. It was a great weekend and our students achieved some pleasing results. Caitlin Whitaker placed 4th in the U18 Single Sculls A final, Cain Wilson, George Browning, Thomas Butson, Caleb Devery and their cox Noah Lucy placed 8th in the U16 Coxed Quad Sculls A final, Ella Norman placed 7th in the U16 Single Sculls B final, Abby and Mia Brown placed 4th in the U18 Novice Double Sculls B final, Tane Wilson placed 6th in the U18 Single Sculls B final and Jamie Gray and Declan Crombie placed 6th in the U18 Double Sculls B final.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of the coaches and parents who made this weekend possible. Congratulations to all of the students who represented our school with pride and who put in the enormous hours of training to be ready to race competitively. We all look forward to seeing you progress even further next season.

Pictured: Back Row L-R: Ian Hamilton, Ellie McWilliam, Ella Norman, Jamie Gray, Declan Crombie, Tane Wilson, Cain Wilson, Caitlin Whitaker, Thomas Butson, Maria Simpson, Matt Jenkins, Scott Cundall

Front row L-R:

Abby Brown, Caleb Devery, George Browning, Holly Keary, Sophie Cundall, Madison McGearty, Mia Brown, Noah Lucy.





Marching

National Championships

The New Zealand Marching National Championship was held recently and Southland was a huge winner on the day. Hokonui U16 team, with marchers and officials from Gore and Invercargill - 4 of them at James Hargest - came away with the ultimate title of NZ U16 Champions!

They qualified into the top 6 on Friday and were awarded 1st in the Technical phase and overall Champion team. A feat no other Southland team has ever achieved! Congratulations Jorja McIntosh, Meah Ayto, Aaliyah Bartlett and Lily Morgan!

In the U12 grade Aiyana Bartlett and Victoria Powell from the Hokonui U12 team also reached their goals by qualifying top 6 and being awarded Champion Display and 2nd NZ U12 Champion Team.

Southern Stars U12 with Gracie MacIntosh and Samantha McIntosh and chaperone Angela Potter qualified top 6 for the Display phase and Plate grade for the Technical phase, where they took out 1st place. They were awarded 5th Champion Display.

An amazing display of dedication and hard work was shown and made all worth it by hearing their team name being called out.

Congratulations girls!



Southland Secondary School Athletics





It was awesome to be back at Surrey Park recently, after a few years of cancellations due to Covid, and have a full Southland Secondary Schools Athletics meet. While the fields were smaller this year, the lovely weather and the enthusiasm and positivity of all the students involved ensured it was a successful meet. Hargest had over 60 athletes competing during the day and all of these students performed to a high standard. More than half of these students qualified for the South Island Championships which is a very creditable result, and many gained Personal Best performances. Congratulations to the following students who gained titles and/or multiple placings:

Under 14 Girls

Cora O'Rourke: 1st 80 m Hurdles; 2nd Shot and Long Jump; 3rd Discus, 2nd 4 x100m Relay (Cora, Lily Tufui, Ellie-May Boniface and Bailey Clay)

Under 14 Boys

Will Brown: 1st High and Long Jump;

2nd 800m

Jayden Dawson: 1st 200m Lewis Blay: 1st 3000m and 2nd

Steeplechase

1st 4 x 100m Relay (Jayden, Aston Couper, Odin Bartlett and Will Fleming)

Under 15 Girls

Bea Christie: 1st Pole Vault; 2nd High

Jump, Shot and 3000m

Elly Baird: 1st Long and Triple Jump; 2nd

100m and 3rd High Jump

1st 4 x 100m Relay (Elly, Lilah Jack, Aneeka Fosbender and Kyra Savory) Caitlin Crawford: 1st 400m and 2nd 800m

Under 15 Boys

Darren Chen: 3rd 200m and 1500m

Under 16 Girls

Maisy McDonald: 1st Long Jump and 1st

High Jump

Under 16 Boys:

William Berkers: 1st 400m and 2nd

800m

Hector O'Rourke: 1st Discus James Fleming: 2nd 1500m and 3rd

800m

2nd 4 x 100m Relay (William, Hector, Luke Thomson and Renz Pugosa)

Senior Girls

Kimberley Iverson: 2nd 1500m and

3000m

Jodie Smith: 3rd 100m, 200m and Discus 1st 4 x 100m Relay (Jodie, Caitlin Hartley, Solmae Dablio and Darika Abeysinghe)

Senior Boys

William Robertson: 1st Long Jump Louis Pienaar: 1st 400m; 2nd 200m and

Long Jump

Charlie Selman: 2nd Shot; 3rd Discus

and Javelin

Benjamin Elder: 2nd 100m and 3rd

200m

Caleb McNaught 3rd 100m and High

Jump

1st 4 x 100m Relay (Caleb, Louis, Benjamin and Shaun Hopper)

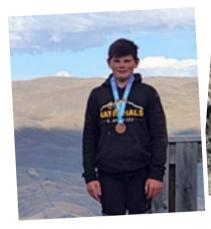


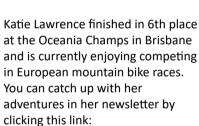
Mountain Biking

Congratulations to Sam Webster and Blake Cooper who competed in the Glenduro Mountain Bike event that took place recently. Blake (Year 9) gained second in the 12-13, 4 stage event. Sam (Year 13) gained 3rd in the 14-19, 5 Stage event.

Both students worked very hard for those placings and should be proud of their awesome acheivements.

Recently Blake also competed in the Crankworx Summer Series and came away with a Bronze in the Downhill event and a Bronze in the Overall Series category for U15 Boys. Well done boys!





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Disc GolfNew Zealand Championships

Congratulations to Levi Stout who performed very well at the recent New Zealand Championships. Levi was placed 4th equal in the champs, second equal in the New Zealand competition. Awesome mahi Levi!



Cricket

Charlotte Morris was awarded Most Improved female representative Cricket Player at the Southland Cricket Awards 22/23. We are really proud of Charlotte. She has had a great cricket season and was also selected to play for the U19 Otago team at the National Championships in Oamaru. Well done Charlotte!



South Island Rugby League Tournament

Congratulations to Ezekiel Hammond, Tom Loader and Allan Raymond who represented Southland U16's at the recent South Island Rugby League 9s tournament in Christchurch. Desmond Raymond represented Southland in the U18 team. A great day of competition was held at the amazing Ngā Puna Wai Sports Hub facility. U16s just missed placing 3rd with a late try by Otago. Awesome work boys! Pictured above L-R: Tom, Ezekiel, Desmond and Allan

Southland Secondary **School Surf Championships**

We had some awesome results at the Southland Surf champs recently. Emily Wheeler, Katie Oliver, Carter Oliver and Abbey Glover all competed.

Results are:

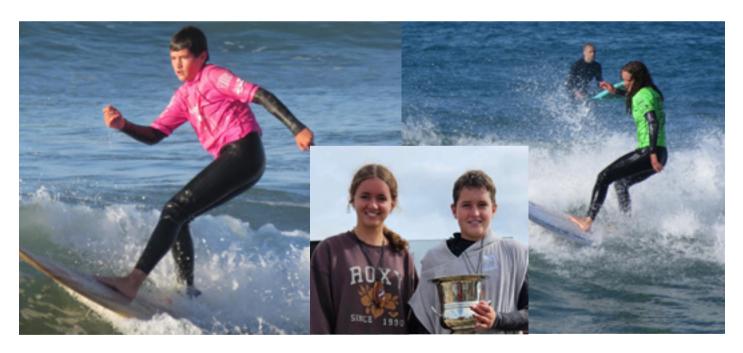
Emily - 2nd in Under 14 girls and 4th in Longboard Girls

Carter - 5th in Under 14 boys and 2nd in **Longboard Boys**

Katie - 1st in Under 16 Girls, 2nd in Under 18 Girls and 1st in Longboard Girls Abbey - 6th in Under 18 girls

James Hargest won First overall placing. Katie won Senior Girls champion.

Thanks very much to Marcia Oliver who was team manager for the day. The day was a success with perfect conditions, the big sets made it challenging for everyone.



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or phone 2176129

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E-mail Newsletters

The next newsletter will be issued via email on FRIDAY 5 MAY 2023.
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You can view the newsletter on the Hargest web site <u>www.jameshargest.school.nz</u>



Year 10 Digital Technologies work by Cissi Lung (right).



Coming Events for 2023

Senior Campus

April		
Thu	6	Term 1 ends
Mon	24	Teacher Only Day
Tue	25	ANZAC Day - school closed
Wed	26	First day of Term 2
Fri	28	House Day
May		
Tue	2	PTA AGM 7:30pm in the Brig
Wed	3	Crosss Country
Thu	4	Crosss Country Postponement Day
Fri	5	Year 11 Geo Trip
Mon	8	Year 9: John Parsons
		Otago Tertiary Day
		Year 12 RYDA
Wed	10	Senior Speech Competition
Wed	17	Southland Cross Country Championships
Thu	18	BOT Meeting 5:15pm in the Brig
Fri	19	Pink Shirt Day
		ShowQuest
Sat	27	JHC Ball

Junior Campus

April		
Thu	6	Term 1 ends
Mon	24	Teacher Only Day
Tue	25	ANZAC Day - school closed
Wed	26	First day of Term 2
	A 0	HPV catch up
Fri	28	House Day
May		
Tue	9	John Parsons
Th	18	BOT Meeting
Fri	19	Pink Shirt Day
		ShowQuest
		Friday Sport and Rec starts





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