



JHC

JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE KEEP FAITH

8 March 2024



Omaui Camp
Year 7

Principal's Comment



Mike Newell
Principal

Kia ora e te whānau

As we reach the halfway stage of the term, the vast majority of our students have settled into their studies and are making the most of the extra curricular activities available. It was great to have the weather play its part for Athletics days held at Surrey Park for both campuses.

Thank you to the large number of Year 9 families who attended our recent meet the Form Teacher evening. Our staff are looking forward to further engaging with whānau at next week's Year 9 Parent/Teacher interviews. In addition to this, by now you will have received the first of our 3 weekly Hargest Way Reports and from next week we will be starting our Live Reporting of academic achievement. We realise you receive many emails from the school and we are looking at how we can avoid the duplication that is currently occurring.

We have had a few near misses with accidents before and after school on both campuses. This is largely due to driver behaviour from adults. Whānau, please refrain from parking on yellow lines, especially those adjacent to the pedestrian crossings. The safety of our students is being put at risk as visibility of the crossing is reduced for moving traffic. Please also stop parking over the driveways and entrances to both campuses, this blocks access for vehicles trying to leave and causes further congestion at these busy times. Planning to meet your children at some of the

streets close to JHC would help.

This week we held our annual Excellence Assembly where we recognised the high level of achievement in NCEA in 2023 and we inducted new members into our 100 Club, you can see more about these achievements in this newsletter.

One of our annual strategic goals for 2024 is to increase the number of Merit and Excellence Grades at Years 12 and 13. We want our students to be aspirational and our teaching staff are always motivated to help students achieve their goals.

The JHC Strategic Plan, 2024 Annual Goals and 2023 Analysis of Variance will be posted on our website after it is approved by our Board of Trustees.

Nga mihi
Mike Newell
Principal

From the Boardroom



Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Kia ora koutou,

Congratulations to all of the students who were celebrated at the Excellence Assembly on Tuesday. It was a great ceremony showcasing the outstanding academic performances of students from 2023. We know that these results are earned by a combination of ability, hard work, determination and resilience and we applaud all of those who achieved their personal academic goals last year. Whatever your academic intentions, JHC

can help you get there and our dedicated, hardworking teaching staff do a great job of working alongside all our students. At the Board meeting this week, Mike presented some of the school goals for academic achievement as well as some of the deliberate action points that have been created to support the realisation of these goals. I am proud to be working with a team who continue to strive to maximize opportunities for success for all of the rangatahi at Hargest. From Year 7 - 13, students and their learning pathways are carefully thought through and constantly evaluated. The goals and deliberate strategies are testament to the ongoing pursuit of our Mission: to equip all our students to create the best possible future for themselves and their world.

The Board were also updated on several of the planned trips for students. Our students have the opportunity to go to Twizel for rowing, Ashburton for basketball, and Mavora for kayaking in the near future. The planning and fundraising is continuing for the overseas trips to Japan, France and Rome this year, our students and families are working hard to make the most of these incredible learning opportunities. Ishaan Boon, our Student Representative on

the Board shared his experience of the Antarctica trip earlier this term. What a phenomenal way to bring learning to life. Thank you to all of our staff who go above and beyond to provide these incredible opportunities for our learners.

The Board were also updated on progress from the Curriculum Evaluation Committee. This work is ongoing and in response to feedback we have received in our recent whānau survey. This Committee have been looking closely at how we offer the Curriculum at James Hargest College and finding ways to ensure we are delivering this in the very best way we can to meet our Mission and Vision. It will be exciting to see what changes will be suggested for the benefit of all learners.

The full school House Day is the next big event on the calendar and we look forward to seeing the fun, friendly House rivalry in action.

Ka kite
Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Whānau Report



Tēnā rā tātou katoa e te whānau whānui o Hēmi Hākena.

Ko te pae tāwhiti whāia kia tata. Ko te pae tata whakamaua kia tīna!

Keep your aspirations close. Fulfill those aspirations as they become achievable!

Ko te tumanako he pai te wā nei i runga i a tātou katoa. It is the hope that all is well for our Hargest whānau at this time. A big mihi to our Kapa Haka for their haka whakatau for Matatū - the South Island Women's Rugby Team, as they arrived at Invercargill Airport. Their performance

was well received and has already had thousands of views across digital platforms online. Now, as always, is the time for patience, perseverance and appreciation. Patience with yourself, your friends and whānau as we face the challenges of the year ahead of us. It is indeed a virtue. Perseverance with the work you do to achieve your goals, whether they be short term or long. Let's appreciate we really are a part of a supportive, caring environment where so many people take the time to check-in and express their genuine interest in you.

PTA Report



Jo Wilson
PTA Chairperson

Kia ora from the PTA!

Term One is definitely now in full swing. Junior Campus students are heading off to camps. What a fabulous experience, challenge and relationship building time for all the students.

Ki te kotahi te kākaho, ka whati; ki te kāpuia, e kore e whati

When we stand alone we are vulnerable, but together we are unbreakable

Year 9s are coming to decision time as they narrow down their subjects. I can personally say this has been a point of conversation in our household. This can be a bit stressful for our tamariki so I encourage you to take the time to listen and talk it through together to decide what is the best option for your child.

Our amazing Hēmi Hākena Kapa Haka Roopu last week welcomed Te Matatū to Murihiku for their Super Rugby match against the Blues at Rugby Park. What a moving welcome!

23 of our rowing students have been away competing at the Meridian SISS Championships. We wish them success and good luck.

Both Campuses have had their athletics days, well done to all who took part. Our tamariki are very creative dressing up in their house colours.

Reminders:

- The Murihiku Polyfest - Monday 26th to Friday 30th August. ILT Stadium Southland.
- Ngā Manu Kōrero Māori Speech Competition Thursday 30th and Friday 31st May, Invercargill Christian Centre.
- Te Matatini (Kapa Haka World Championship) at Pukekura Park in Ngā Motu/New Plymouth, from the 24th of February to the 2nd of March 2025.

Hei kona mai
Matua Neitana



Matua Neitana Tane

PTA Meeting Dates

The next PTA meeting will be held in the Brigadier's Room at the Senior Campus, scheduled to start at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 7 May AGM followed by meeting
Tuesday 6 August
Tuesday 5 November

We are still on the look out for new parents to join our PTA. Again, remember no fundraising, but a great way to stay connected with the school. Easter is fast approaching, for those of you who are traveling away, we wish you safe travels.

Ngā Mihi
Jo Wilson and the PTA team

Staff Farewell

Junior Campus

We farewelled Maree Smith, our Junior Campus Office Manager, on Friday the 1st of March. Maree joined our team in 2021 from Northern Southland College, and we have benefited significantly from her wealth of experience and knowledge of school administration. Maree has helped to strengthen our Junior Campus budgeting processes and has been instrumental in the upgrade of our hall chairs, classroom furniture and resources. Maree will be remembered for her care and empathy of staff, students and their families and her absolute love of pink! We wish Maree all the very best for her semi-retirement and the many projects she's looking forward to getting started with.



HARGEST STUDY CENTRE

Senior Campus Library
Tuesdays 3.30 - 5.00pm

Get FREE help with Maths, English, Science, Physics and Chemistry, or any subject you need a hand with.



Teachers, Librarian and Peer Tutors available to help with homework, research, exam study, and classwork.

Afternoon tea provided by the PTA.

Be responsible when parking and driving around our school

It's time to remind everyone about how to be a responsible member of the James Hargest College community. In particular, when dropping off your child to school or when picking them up at the end of the school day.

What's the problem?

We have received complaints about the driving or parking behaviour of our parents from either other parents or members of the wider community.

Drivers need to pay close attention at pedestrian crossings at both campuses at the start and finish of the school day. Yellow lines tell drivers that they can't stop there. They are there to make sure that all road users can see other traffic and pedestrians. There is no exception for "just a minute". Drivers must remember that the yellow lines are there to keep everyone safe, and can't be ignored just for the sake of their own convenience. Traffic safety and ongoing courtesy to others at the school drop off and pick up is what ensures all of our children get to school safe and happy. All of us have a role to play in this. Thank you to those of you who already understand this and always park legally.

Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews

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

queye

to book interviews with the teachers you wish to speak to.

The interviews will be held on:

**Thursday 14 March from 4:00pm - 6:30pm
at the Senior Campus.**

Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews are happening on Thursday 14 March. These interviews are face-to-face and five minutes long.

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

You will receive an email confirming your bookings. If you find you have further or additional aspects to discuss, or are unable to attend, feel free to email staff.



Year 10-13 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 10-13 Parent Teacher Interviews

These will be held on Thursday 21 March from 3pm - 7.30pm at the Senior Campus.

Senior Campus classes finish at 1:30pm.

Bookings will open Friday 8 March.

The booking code is: **cb7kk**

Make appointments by scanning the QR code or going to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and entering the event code.



House Captains' Challenge



In Week 5, the House Captains and Heads of House battled it out over 4 games of Lazer Tag. The House Captains knew the Heads of House meant business when they arrived ready for battle and with the House Captain's Challenge Trophy in hand.

Although House points are not allocated from the outcome of this, bragging rights definitely are. Thomson took out the win followed by Watson, Hamilton and then Menzies.

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

100 Club

These students earned a place in the 100 Club in 2023

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.



Back Row (left to right): Roland Cameron, Bea Christie, James Fiskien,
Front Row: Sarah Hay, Katelyn Street-Wilson, Amanda Henderson, Olivia Stratford.
Inset: Mikayla Mortimer, Gavith Mohottallage

Academic Excellence Endorsements

Overall Excellence Awards from 2023 were earned by students who achieved 50 Credits at Excellence Level across the curriculum

Level One

Liam Alcock
Emily Blyth
Zuriel Boanerges
Draven Booth
Ella Byatt
Dani Chisholm
Bea Christie
Libby Crawford
Caleb Devery
Rose Dougherty
Lucas Duncan
Samuel Elder
Taylor Erskine
Harris Evans
Riley Faulkner
Cameron Fraser
Hesara Gamwasan Gamage
Sebastian Gray
Calin Grice
Amanda Henderson

Hailey Macpherson
Merrin McEwen
Charlotte Morris
Mikayla Mortimer
Madison Neylon
Bimsarani Rajasinghe
Ben Richardson
Solomon Smith
Olivia Stratford
Katelyn Street-Wilson
Irene Tendean
Lucy Thomas
Blake Van Uden-Smith
Oliver Van Uden-Smith
Hamish Wallace
Grace Warren
Megan Wheeler
Benjamin Whelan
Hannah Wilson
Annie Zhang

Level Two

Samara Beck
Sophie Byrne
Brady Cameron
Roland Cameron
Cassie Campbell
Samuel Collins
Lucy Cooper
Sean Cross
Emerson Dahldavis
Charlotte Dassen
James Dyer
Fahim Firdaus
James Fiskien
Ron Geilik
Vicky Han
Sarah Hay
Ruby Hickey
Tequin Lake
Jordan Marshall

Gavith Mohottallage
Ronan O'Connor
Oliver Speight
Jian Torrepalma
Alex Zernov





International and Migrant Students Sports Day

47 students attended a sports day along with 140 other students from around the region. This was an excellent chance for students to connect with new friends, communicate in their own language, and learn something new.

A special mention to Ong Soonkijkan, Clemens Dekker, Tin Sae-Lao, Priya Lapana and Pete Tupnate who were selected by the coaches for their sportsmanship and participation.



House Competitions

Benchball

The Senior Campus House Competition kicked off with the annual Yr 9 Benchball Competition. Year 9 form classes, their form teachers and Year 13 Peer Support leaders put their bodies and pride on the line at intervals and lunchtimes for the past few weeks. It was wonderful to see so many form teachers, not only out supporting their classes but also getting involved on court too. Congratulations to everyone who was involved, and a special mention to M9ASR v H9DC for making the final, with Hamilton taking the win. Final results were Watson 4th, Thomson 3rd, Menzies 2nd and Hamilton 1st.

The competition rounded off with a staff vs Peer Support students game. The Peer Support students had been talking a big game but the staff had something to prove after a very close loss last year. While the teachers were the first to 10, unfortunately for the teachers, the students took out the win in a very tight battle.





Foods and Nutrition

Senior Campus

Last week two Year 12 Food and Nutrition classes were accompanied by their teachers Mrs Baird and Miss Thomas to Wilson's Veges and also Blueberry Country. The students were observing sustainable food practices with a particular focus on sourcing our food locally and growing your own food. Students enjoyed the experience and had the opportunity to then create some delicious recipes using the fresh produce selected.



Congratulations to the following students who have recently received their awards.

Silver

Brooklyn Bavin *(pic. left)*

Olivia Scarlett *(pic. bottom left)*

Bronze

Phuong Nguyen *(pic below)*

Isaac Elder *(pic below)*

Mercedes Checketts *(below, middle)*

Abby Graham *(below, middle)*

Louis Smith *(below, right)*

Duke of Edinburgh

It has certainly been fantastic to see students embrace the award and make a difference to other people's lives. There are four sections: Service, Physical Recreation, Skills and Adventurous Journey. Our students have visited new places such as Port Craig and Dunrobin Valley

and jetboated down the Wairaurahiri River. They have also made new friends and memories. We look forward to many more adventures in the future. If you would like to become involved with Duke of Edinburgh, visit Ms Smith in C2.





Cycle Safety Junior Campus

From the 19th to the 23rd of February, the students at the Junior Campus were involved in Cycle Safety sessions with the crew from Cycling Southland. These sessions provided the Year 7 and 8 students with the opportunity to develop safe cycling skills such as using arms

to indicate turns for other motorists, safe stopping and maintaining balance. These sessions have seen an increase in students biking to school and making sensible choices when students make their way to and from Junior Campus. It was a real highlight seeing the skill

development for all students throughout the week.

A big thanks needs to go out to the team at Cycling Southland for giving our students their time over the week. We look forward to having them back in early 2025.

World Vision 40 Hour Challenge

World Vision 40 Hour Challenge weekend is on the 21st – 23rd June

We are looking forward to seeing students seek sponsorship to 40 something.

For example:

- Bake 40 cupcakes and take them to an aged care facility.
- Walk / bike / run 40 minutes for 40 days.
- Read 40 books by June 23
- Go 40 hours without a screen
- Go 40 hours without furniture
- Do 40 acts of kindness

If just 400 of us raised \$20 ... that comes to \$8000
Come on Hargest .. Let's do this!
Details about how to set up your online sponsorship page coming soon.

All funds raised this year go to Timor Leste.



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.





Youth Council

Congratulations Eli Burgess from Year 8 for being selected to be a member of the Invercargill City Council Youth Council for 2024. We wish you all the best Eli and we know that you will share the voice of your peers as you discuss important matters and plan exciting things for the youth of our city.

Digital Technologies

Year 9 Tasters

Exploring Digital Technologies has been a blast! At Year 9, we've been diving into various software packages to get a taste of what's out there. From Pixel Art in ICT and Design to coding with Scratch and Minecraft Makecode, we're becoming confident users of Microsoft, Google, Adobe, and more. Our booklet, "Beyond the Screen," documents our digital adventures in Digital Technologies Tasters. In these sessions, we organise our digital world, learn about Computational Thinking (CT), and get hands-on with Designing and Developing Digital Outcomes (DDDO). Be sure to check out our amazing creations!

Arush Biswas (Yr 9) Timetable with MS Excel

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Period 1	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE
Period 2	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE
Interval										
Period 3	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE
Period 4	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE
Period 5	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE

Dylan Forbes' Mimi layered with his maunga, moana, NZ flag, etc. in Photoshop



William McCann's Fruit Bowl in Illustrator



Finn Thwaites
(Yr 9) Illustrator
Drawing



Nathan Avison
(Y 9) Creative
Expression using
Photoshop



Zachariah Gillies'
Man pushing rock
uphill Animation in
Piskell



Seri Smith (Yr 9)
T-Shirt Design using
Clipping Mask Tool
in Illustrator



Carly McGearthy's TikTok
Dance Animation using
Piskell

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Period 5	Maths	English	History	Art	PE	Maths	English	History	Art	PE

Lani Brand (Yr 9) Timetable



JHC LEO Club

Congratulations to our LEO Leadership Group for 2024. The following students have been selected to lead the club and make a difference for others.

Co Presidents

Sophie Byrne and Cassie Campbell

Club Secretaries:

Melina Salins and Ella de Garnham

Treasurers:

Isla Reynolds and Samara Beck

Committee Chairs:

Jasmine Marshall

Ethan Tanner

Emily Oliver

Brooklynn Bavin

Roland Cameron

Ruby Hickey

Lucy Cooper

Harshitha Yogeswaran

Jorja McIntosh

Vicky Han

Our new leadership group will be meeting regularly to decide what will be the key areas in 2024. The committees are all dedicated to serving our community and beyond. Congrats to you all and we look forward to seeing what LEO comes up with this year.

Valentine's Day



Pictured:

Zander

Kleinhans

receiving a balloon, cupcake and message from Bailey Reader and Melina Salins

A big thanks to all those who supported the Valentine's Day fundraiser. A massive \$632 was raised and this will go to a charity chosen by the LEO club.



Term Dates for 2024

- Term 1:** Friday 29 March: Good Friday (public holiday)
Easter Monday 1 April (public holiday)
Easter Tuesday 2 April (holiday)
Friday 12 April: End of Term 1
- Term 2:** Monday 29 April: Start of Term 2
Monday 3 June: King's Birthday (public holiday)
Friday 28 June: Matariki (public holiday)
Friday 5 July: Last day of Term 2
- Term 3:** Monday 22 July: Start of Term 3
Friday 27 September: Last day of Term 3
- Term 4:** Monday 14 October: Start of Term 4
Monday 28 October: Labour Day (public holiday)



Omaui Camp

The first year 7 classes have made it into Omaui for their camps. Most enjoyed beautiful sunshine whilst kayaking, abseiling, climbing, cooking and tramping with their new classmates. The smiles say it all!





Japanese



Year 9 students of Japanese recently had the opportunity to try on some traditional Japanese clothing. The girls are wearing Japanese summer kimono (yukata) and the boys are wearing either summer kimonos or festival 'happi coats'.





FREE PERIOD PRODUCTS

JHC has opted into the Period Products in Schools programme. Students can access these products from sickbay, the front office or if you email products@jameshargest.school.nz we will happily make up a parcel for you to collect when convenient.

Physio Clinic

Senior Campus

Twice a week SportsMed runs a Physio Clinic at the Senior Campus for injuries covered by ACC, beginning 20 February. Please contact Lisa Martin in Student Admin to make an appointment attendance@jameshargest.school.nz

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

Cricket

Great to see the cricket season rock around again. Over the holidays we had a number of JHC students represent Southland throughout the South Island.

- Well done to:
- Carter Oliver - Southland Metro Under 15
 - Cooper Goad - Southland Metro Year 8
 - Oscar Vincent - Southland Metro Year 7
 - Will Godsall-Folster- Southland Metro Year 7
 - Max Meijer- Southland Metro Year 7
 - Alex King- Southland Metro Year 7
 - Daniel Temple-Doig- Southland Metro Year 7
 - Zander Muller- Southland Metro Year 7
- This is our biggest representation in



a number of years and some of these players did some amazing things at their tournaments.

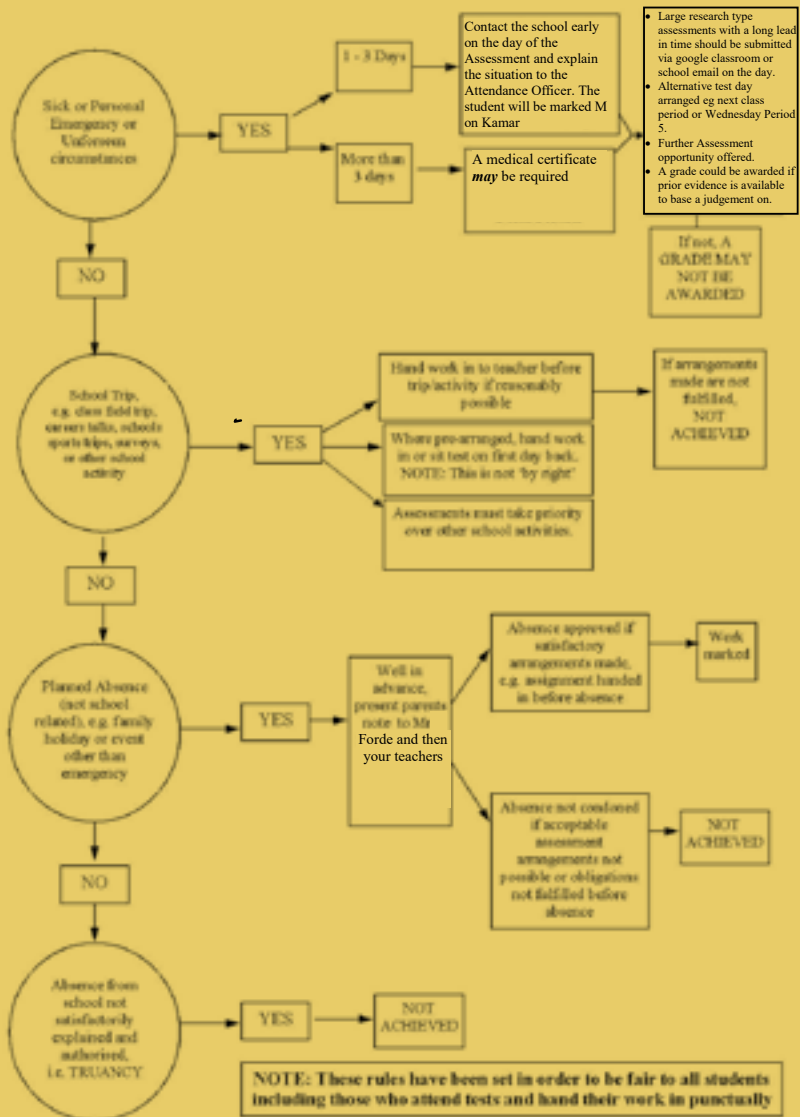
This year we have 2 Year 7/8 teams and a Senior team playing on Saturdays.

Thanks to Miss Coll, Mr Oliver, Mr Folster and Mr Brodie for sorting these teams. We look forward to developing these cricketers further and building on the number of teams in the future.

COMPUTER ACCESS

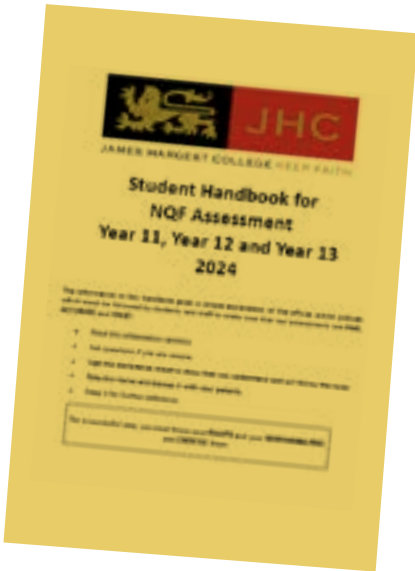
Students who have access to computers revoked can have their passwords reinstated during the period of assessment. It is the responsibility of the students to inform their class teacher in advance.

FLOWCHART FOR ABSENCE FROM A TEST or ABSENCE FOR AN ASSESSMENT DEADLINE



Assessment Procedures

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



Building and Construction Dog Kennels - FOR SALE!

As part of our Year 12 Building and Construction Trade Course, students have been building dog kennels and we now have some for sale. The construction of the dog kennels has allowed us to teach our students the fundamentals of simple house building and roofing skills. The dog kennels were built as group projects allowing all students to be involved in the process. It has proven to be a very popular and successful course with many students having stepped from this course into industry-based training and apprenticeships.

Inside Dimensions

Run

0.91m Wide by 1.185m Long by 1.03m High

Kennel (Sleeping area) which is insulated

735mm Wide by 625mm long by 750mm High



The kennels are well constructed using untreated macoracpa timber with untreated hardwood plywood to line the inside of the kennel. There is no nasty treated timber used for your beloved animals. The kennel and attached run are fully roofed allowing protection from the elements. The kennel itself is fully insulated in the walls, roof, and floor. There are two doors, one allowing access to the run and the other to the side of the kennel for cleaning and general access. The black corrugated roofing complete with matching flashings, and the rough sawn board and batten give a modern yet rustic look and feel to the kennel and would look great in any backyard. The dog kennels are suitable for dogs up to a labrador size.

If you are interested in viewing or finding out more about buying one of our kennels please feel free to contact Paul Burrows at:

pburrows@jameshargest.school.nz

Assistance with delivery may be possible.

The cost is \$850 and covers the cost of the materials.

A big thank you to Marshall Industries for donating the roofing materials.

Marshall Industries Ltd
Roofing Manufacturing Sheetmetal Light Engineering

James Hargest College Presents

JINGO

RAFFLE PRIZES!

It's Bingo, With Songs!

Fun, Friends and Family

Waikiwi Tavern

Wednesday 10 April at 6:30pm

Cash only

Support the 2024 Japanese Trip



Kapa Haka

Hēmi Hākena Kapa Haka Roopu welcomed Te Matatū to Murihiku for their Super Rugby match against the Blues at Rugby Park. We are all very proud of the stunning part they played in the pōhiri. Ka pai Kapa!



Rowing

23 JHC Rowing students competed at the Meridian SISS Championships. It was a successful day on the water after wind disrupted previous regattas this season. Stand out results on day one included Ana McWilliam and Madison Stephens finishing 2nd in their u15 Double heat, Lilah Jack 3rd In the u16 Single, and Mia Brown and Ella Norman 2nd in the u17 Double. 14 Crews qualified for repechages on Saturday.

Day 2 of the Meridian SISS Championships was cut short by wind about half way through the repechages which shortened up the finals program for Sunday.

Day 2 results:

Ella Norman finished 2nd and Lilah Jack 3rd to qualify for a B final in the u16 Single.

The u17 Quad of Sophie Cundall, Holly Keary, Ellie McWilliam and Sally Thompson qualified for a B final.

Mia Brown placed 3rd to qualify for a B final in the u17 Single.

Holly Keary qualified the u18 Single to a B final.

Avril Kummer and Lyla Carstensen had the fastest qualifying time for the u15 Double B final placing 2nd in their repechage.

Cain Wilson and Ryan Smith placed 3rd in the u18 Double to make a B final.

Abby Brown and Lilah Jack's heat time was fast enough to gain a place in the B final when repechages were cancelled.

Day 3 results:

Ella Norman 1st

Lilah Jack 2nd in the u16 B final.

The u17 Girls Quad then finished 7th in the B Final, Mia Brown was 6th in the u17 Single and Holly Keary 7th in the U18 Single B finals.

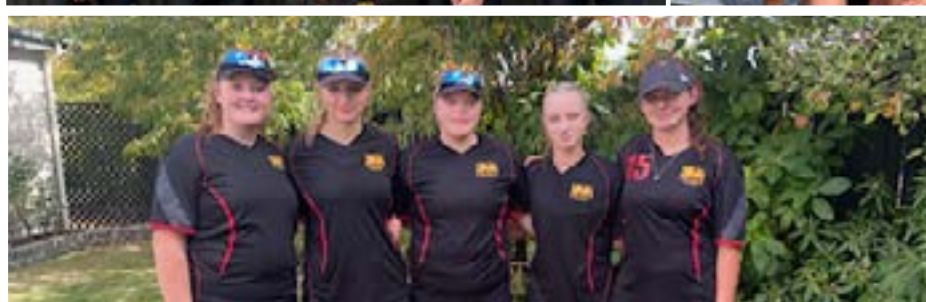
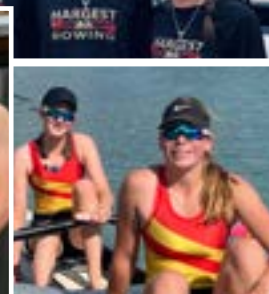
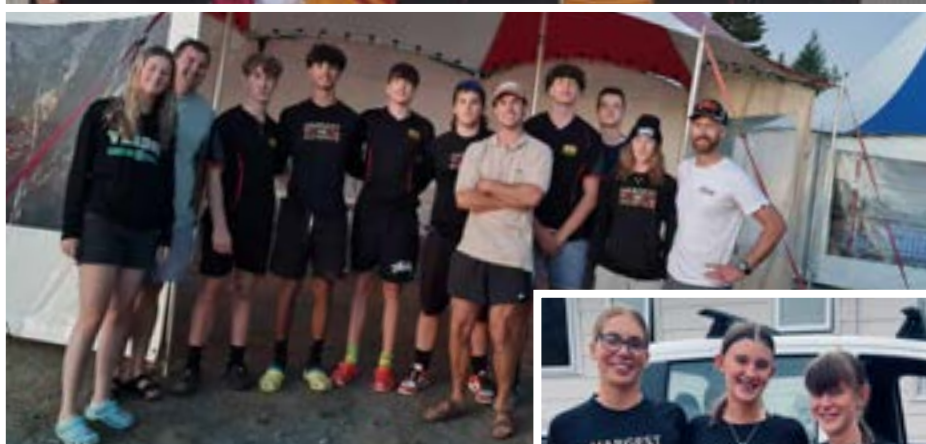
The u15 B Final saw Lyla Carstensen and Avril Kummer place 2nd and in the A final Madison Stephens and Ana McWilliam finished 7th.

Cain Wilson and Ryan Smith took 6th in the u18 Double B final.

The u15 Eight came 7th in the A final.

The u17 Double of Mia Brown and Ella Norman finished 8th in u18 Double A final and Abby Brown and Lilah Jack took 5th in the u16 Double B final.

Ellie-May Boniface and Noah Lucy were the coxes for the weekend with multiple races across many crews.





Athletics Senior Campus

Congratulations to the Athletics Champions 2024

The annual School Athletics Day was off to gloomy start, as Senior Campus students sat in the stands listening to instructions watching a dark cloud form in the distance. Despite the weather, students were quickly into their events spread across Surrey Park, accumulating house points in every event that they participated in.

Top performers in each event snatched a extra few points for their house as well as the opportunity to compete at the Southland Secondary School Championships.

Some outstanding runs, jumps and throws in all age groups along with some friendly competition took everyone's mind off the approaching cloud that gradually passed leaving School Athletics Day unscathed.

Students took part in all events with laughter and determination which created a positive day for all involved. Four records were broken on the day. McCowan White broke the Under 14 Javelin record of 34.56m with his 35.56m throw.

Lewis Blay broke the Under 15 3000m record of 10.29.28 min with his 9.54.56mins

Lily Tufui broke the Under 15 High Jump record of 1.45m with her jump of 1.50m

Kimberly Iversen broke the Under 19 3000m record of 11.14.00 with her 10.59.78mins

Congratulations to you all!



Volleyball

Thai Boys Team - Thai-ed

We are really proud of our junior Thai boys who have entered a volleyball team into the schools social competition. It is their first time playing this sport and thanks to Mr France, they are making great progress!



Great to see year 7 and 8 students getting involved in the interclass Tug of War.



Athletics

Junior Campus

Tuesday 27 February marked the day of the annual Junior Campus House Athletics Sports Day. All decked out in their house colours the students took to the track and field to earn those precious house points. Those in the competitive field were all working hard to meet the qualifying standards and break the Junior Campus records, many of which were broken. Everyone had a wonderful day out in the sun, staying active and having fun.



Congratulations to the age group champions:

10 year old girl	Sasha Muangsri
10 year old boy	Chris More
11 year old girl	Evie Charlton
11 year old boy	Craig Iversen
12 year old girl	Ashlee Clay
12 year old boy	Joaquim Bortolan





JHC Junior Campus records broken on 27 February

Event	Time/Distance	Name
10 year Girls 800m	3.03.86	Freya Gilmour
1500m	6.17.68	Freya Gilmour
12 Years Girls 100m	13.75	Ashlee Clay
High Jump	1.45	Ashlee Clay
Long Jump	4.52	Ashlee Clay
Shot Put	8.3	Ashlee Clay
Nerf	40.35	Greer Barclay
11 Year Boys 1500m	5.18.15	Craig Iversen
12 Year Boys Nerf	54.2	Jamie Russell





Sports are underway at the Junior Campus. Check the notices to find out how to get involved and have a go!

Waka Ama

Waka Ama (outrigger canoe) racing is going from strength to strength at James Hargest. If you enjoy a fun team environment, then this is the sport for you. There is nothing like paddling on the awa on a beautiful Southland day. You certainly don't have to be super sporty to take part.

I am happy to announce that Whaea Tracey Maclellan will be facilitating practice this year, and that there are practice times available after school Mondays through to Thursdays.

You can access a registration form via the James Hargest School website.
Mr Kleinhans



DISC GOLF

HOUSE COMP



DISC GOLF IS HERE - WEEK 6 & 7
4th - 15th March

Bottom field intervals and lunchtimes. FINAL Fri @ lunch.
Just show up and play!

Southland Secondary Schools Triathlon

Southland Secondary School Triathlon champs was a great experience for all students involved. JHC had competitors in all grades and a balance of teams and individuals meant our school colours were spread right over the course, which lead to some great results. In the Under 16 girls Caitlin Crawford and Addison Robertson had a mighty JHC dual for

1st place. In the final stage of the race, Addison made a wrong turn, exactly what Caitlin had done in 2023 which gave Caitlin the edge. Caitlin made the most of this opportunity and pulled away to finish first. Addison fought back strongly from her error to still finish in 2nd place, 1 minute behind Caitlin. Jordan Berkers also ran a strong race coming in 5th.

Our teams also competed well with the Triathlon Titans, Splash, Spin & Sprint Squad, Mile Masters and Rapid Racers all finishing in the top three in their respected grades. JHC had a strong representation in the Under 14 grades. Well done to all individuals and teams who competed.





Digital Technologies

R.A.D. Coding and Robotics Club

Every Thursday, from 4:30 to 5 pm, the RAD Coding and Robotics club buzzes with energy as young minds delve into the world of technology, creativity, and community. In a recent heartwarming initiative, Cameron Labes (Year 12) and Thomas McLean (Year 9) embarked on the challenge of resurrecting a 2002 Apple eMac, a project driven purely by curiosity and a thirst for learning.



EMPOWERING TOMORROW'S DIGITAL INNOVATORS

What is Recycle A Device (RAD)?

RAD is more than just recycling—it's a laptop refurbishment and distribution program with positive educational, social, and sustainability outcomes. We locate unwanted, good-quality devices and teach valuable tech engineering, teamwork, problem-solving, and communication skills to our students.

Once refurbished, these laptops bridge the digital divide by providing access to technology for students and the wider community.

**We're on the lookout for
laptops 
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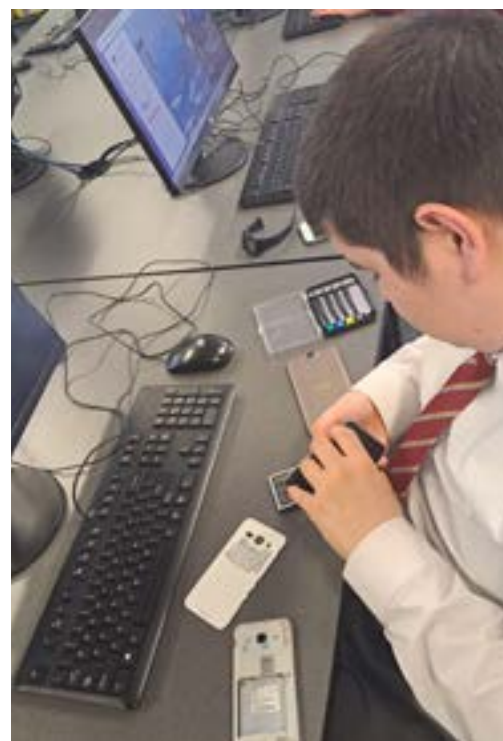
	334 <small>rangatahi who have learnt new tech engineering skills</small>	\$186 <small>cost per laptop to run the RAD programme</small>	2374 <small>refurbished laptops gifted by RAD to the community</small>	3.6 <small>tonnes of e-waste given new life</small>
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**Speak to Mrs Greeff in C1
or email her at sgreeff@jameshargest.school.nz**

As part of our ongoing efforts, we're currently preparing a laptop for donation to a family in need. Pax Talbot worked on donated androids for the recycle-a-device initiative. This endeavor exemplifies the spirit of our RAD initiative – recycling devices to refurbish dreams. We're on a mission to make technology accessible to all, and your support can help us achieve this goal. Together, let's turn devices into opportunities and dreams into reality. Join us in making a difference today

Top Left: The Apple eMac

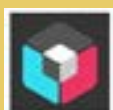
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Parent, Caregiver, Whānau and Community Engagement

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.

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or phone 2176129

or Mrs Cribb (Junior Campus) at
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or phone 2179250

E-mail Newsletters

The next newsletter will be issued via email on 5 April 2024.

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



Coming Events for 2024

Senior Campus

March

Sat	9	Southland Athletics Champs
Wed	13	L2 Biology Rocky Shore
Thu	14	Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews, Hall, from 4:00pm
Sun	16	Paddles Up
Mon	18	Southland Golf Champs
Tue	19	Mihi whakatau for International Visitors, 2:15pm Japan trip hui - staffroom 7:00pm
Wed	20	International Homestay Potluck Dinner 6:00 – 8:00pm
Thu	21	Year 10-13 Parent Teacher Interviews, 3:00 - 7:30pm Senior Campus classes finish at 1:30pm Southland SS Adventure Race
Fri	22	Southland Lawn Bowls Champs Year 9 Tasters finish
Tue	26	UN Youth NZ in the Hall
Wed	27	Sheilah Winn Southland Regional Competition - Hall
Thu	28	House Day
Fri	29	School Closed - Good Friday

April

Mon	1	School Closed - Easter Monday
Tue	2	School Closed - Southland Anniversary
Wed	3	House Day Postponement Day 1
Thu	4	French trip leaves
Wed	10	School Cross Country
Thu	11	BOT meeting in the Brig, 5:15pm, Senior Campus
Fri	12	House Day Postponement Day 2 Last day of Term 1

Junior Campus

March

Tue	5	PTA meeting 7:30 in the Brig, Senior Campus
Thu	7	BOT meeting 5:15pm in the Brig, Senior Campus
Mon	26	Student Centred Conferences 1.30 - 5.30pm (students go home at 12.50pm)
Tue	27	Student Centred Conferences 3.30 - 5.30pm
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