

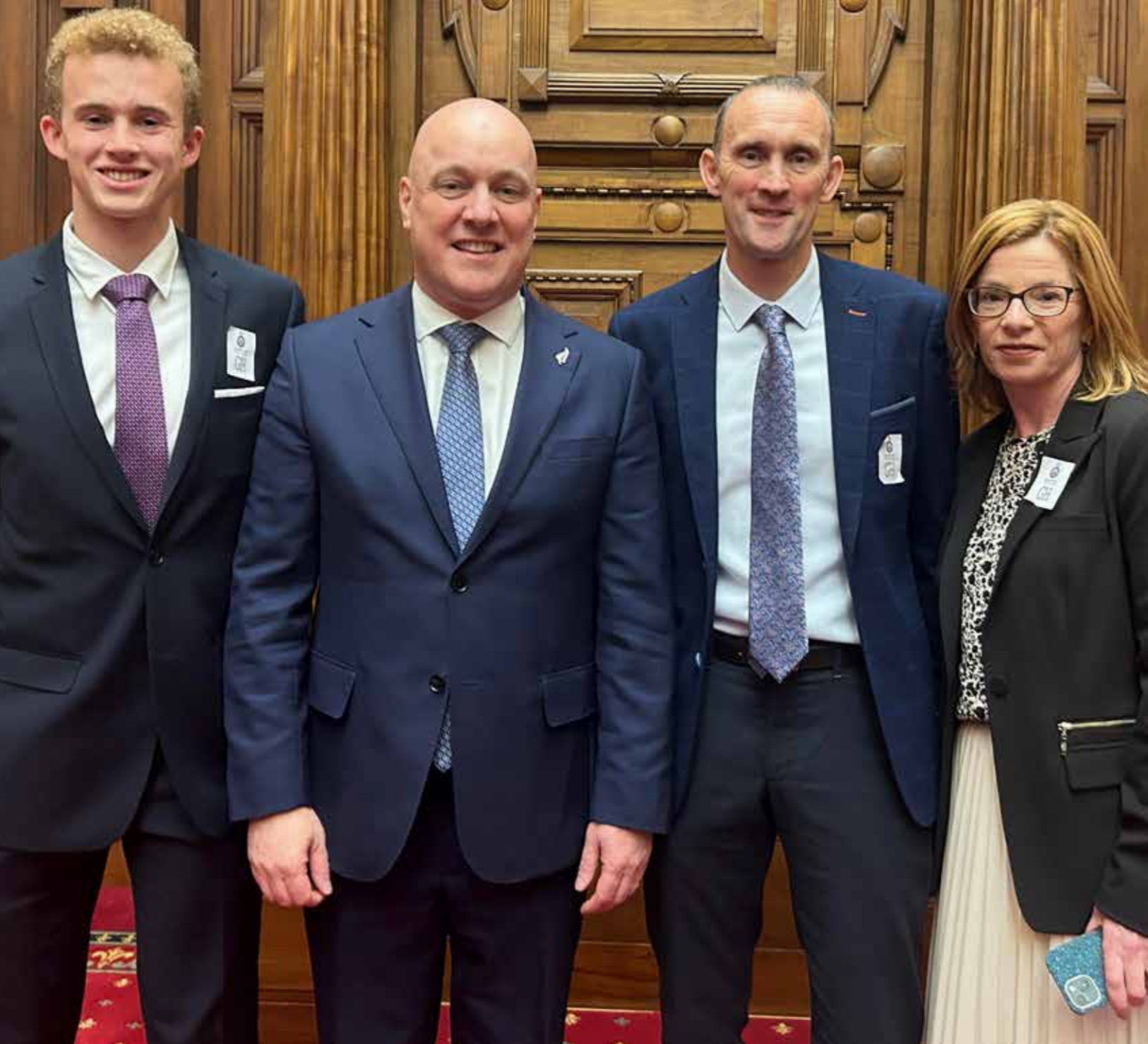


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JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE KEEP FAITH

10 May 2024

Top Chemistry Scholar in NZ Benjamin Elder



Principal's Comment



Caroline Raynes
Acting Principal

Tēna koutou e te whānau

It was wonderful welcoming students and staff back this term and I'd like to commend the students on the positive way in which they have settled into their mahi. It is clear the routines established in term one have not been forgotten, and reminders have been taken on board. Teaching and learning is at the heart of what we do here at Hēmi Hākena and term two is a busy and exciting one for our kura. There are a multitude of academic and cultural opportunities available and I'd encourage students to take up the wero of trying something new.

Last Thursday we commemorated ANZAC day by holding five ceremonies across the school. My thanks to the staff involved in the preparation required for this day and I appreciated the manner in which the students received messages around heroism, tenacity and resilience. John Chesney, a student in Year 13 played The Last Post in all five ceremonies; not an easy thing to do. To be named after a person carries with it great responsibility, and it is one we feel acutely. Brigadier James Hargest, his values, his character and his determination serve as an inspiration for our school values which we reflect on and try to live up to every day.

Senior students who were lucky enough to go to France have recently returned after a month away. They visited sites of cultural significance and spent time in a French school. They visited Le Quesnoy, a town New Zealanders liberated in 1918, and the

connections and affections held between our two countries remain. The experiences gained from overseas trips such as this are invaluable and are always appreciated. My sincere thanks to Mrs Patterson for all her care and support of those on the trip.

On Wednesday night we farewelled Mr Prateep and his students from Thailand who have been with us for a term. Mr Prateep is our most long standing and successful international agent and we look forward to seeing him again next year. My thanks to our homestay families for all you do to support our international programme, including the short term and long term host families. Lifelong friendships and connections are made hosting international students and we are appreciative of you opening up your homes.

On Wednesday Benjamin Elder was celebrated as the top scholar in Chemistry for 2023. Ben gained the top mark in the country in Chemistry and received his award in Wellington at a ceremony held in the Grand Hall of Parliament. Ben's achievements will be recognised later on this term at school and we look forward to seeing him back. We are very proud of the way in which he was able to balance academic success with his commitment to extra curricular activities and service as all are important.

We have now had the second of our curriculum planning afternoons at the Senior Campus. The work being undertaken is exciting, challenging and inspiring, and we look forward to seeing where this mahi takes us.

As this newsletter goes out the Haka competition will be underway at the Junior Campus. I look forward to the results of the mahi that has been undertaken to prepare for this house competition. The passion and enthusiasm for house haka grows every year and serves to deepen our understanding of what it means to be part of Hēmi Hākena and live in Aotearoa.

I wish everyone the best for a busy and exciting term ahead.

Nga mihi,
Caroline Raynes
Acting Principal



Year 13 Printmaking

Staff News



Erin Pickering has joined the leadership team this Term as Acting Deputy Principal. Well known to many, Erin is our Head of the English Department. Erin is enjoying her new role and brings with her a wealth of leadership knowledge and mana.

Cover: L-R: Ben Elder, Christopher Luxon, Prime Minister of New Zealand, Andrew Elder, Anna Elder

Whānau Report

Whakakōtahi rā!

United we stand!

Ngā ataahuatanga o te ao hurihuri nei i runga i a.

Anō nei te mihi i runga i te ataahuatanga o tenei ao hurihuri nei ki a tātou katoa. Tēnā tātou.

Last week our students fundraising for Te Matatini 2025 made a beautiful hangi which, by all reports, was well appreciated. We'd like to formally thank Prime Range Meats for their generous donation of prime cuts indeed.

On Thursday, approximately 50 Kapa Haka students from our Senior Campus joined other kapa students from various Southland Secondary Schools. This was to rehearse our welcome and supporting waiata to the Otago contingency coming

for the 'Ngā Manu Kōrero' Otago/ Southland Māori Speech Competition (pictured below left and middle).

Reminders:

- Ngā Manu Kōrero Māori Speech Competition Thursday 30th and Friday 31st May, Invercargill Christian Centre.
- The Murihiku Polyfest - Monday 26th to Friday 30th August, ILT Stadium Southland.
- 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

Below: Hēmi Hākena Kapa Haka made us all proud at the community open day at Murihiku Marae hosted by Waihōpai Rūnaka.



PTA Report



Jo Wilson
PTA Chairperson

Nau mai, haere mai!

As the bevy of colours slowly begin to fade and the leaves begin to fall around Murihiku, we welcome autumn and the beginning of Term 2. We hope you had a wonderful holiday break and have hit the ground running this term.

Term One was full of great

opportunities and activities and the second term promises much the same for ākonga | students, kaiako | teachers and support kaimahi | staff.

The full school House Day was a tremendous success, with attendance up on previous years. While there were many memorable moments shared by our ākonga, one of the highlights for many was seeing Senior Leadership Team member Mrs Webster 'get dunked'.

A Whānau Hui on the Year 9 curriculum changes was held at our Junior Campus last week. The ability to have an honest kōrero | discussion and receive face-to-face feedback from parents about the future of our curriculum in an open forum was invaluable.

The PTA working bee in April to help revitalise the JHC second hand uniform shop was a huge success.

One of the amazing projects the PTA is supporting this year, Anga Whakamua, is underway with our Year 9 boys. We look forward to hearing about and championing their successes in the near future.

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 25 June (AGM followed by meeting)
Tuesday 6 August
Tuesday 5 November

Our next meeting will be Tuesday 25 June at 7.30pm. This will be our AGM's new date. All are welcome to attend, and we would love for anyone thinking of joining the PTA to come along.

We look forward to an exciting Term 2 packed with opportunities such as the School Ball, productions The Snow Queen and Into the Woods, as well as the usual academic, cultural, arts and sporting competitions, to make lasting memories for all our ākonga.

Ngā mihi nui
Jo Wilson and the PTA team

From the Boardroom



Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Kia ora koutou,

At our April meeting of the Board of Trustees, HoD of Art Joss Beadle spoke to the board about the 2023 academic year in the Art Department. It was wonderful to hear the impressive success stories from students across the kura, from Year 7 - 13. It was very exciting to receive two New Zealand Scholarships in Art. Our congratulations to Sean Bath and Chelsea Smith for achieving this impressive accolade. The Board enjoyed seeing your awe-inspiring work at our meeting and look forward to seeing your creations grace our kura. Hearing that Sean has been accepted into the Top Art Exhibition travelling the country is also outstanding and we hope many members of our community are able to view this exhibition when it is housed at James Hargest College. To Joss and the Art team,

well done on another fantastic year. Your enthusiasm, passion and positivity for the students in your care is evident and the students certainly thrive under your tutelage.

Ishaan shared some student news with the board, including the student perspective on our very popular and successful House Day. Ishaan spoke of the connections between the campuses as well as the sense of both House and School spirit on display. Days such as this do not happen without significant time, energy and planning and we are very thankful to our four Heads of House for their vision, mahi and leadership of this very special day. It may only have been a full school event for two years, but it is already firmly in the highlights category for students. Ishaan had been to the Junior Campus to introduce himself and chat to students about what was happening for Year 7 and 8. He spoke highly of the new classroom spaces since he was there and how enthusiastic and open the students were to sharing their learning with him. It is great to see this connection between our campuses.

The curriculum evaluation work was discussed again with the Board and we are excited to see what comes out of this term's mahi investigating and working collaboratively to improve curriculum offerings for our learners. There is no doubt the key focus for this work has the learners at the centre and there is a genuine desire to make sure what is being offered at James Hargest College will benefit all young people. I encourage you to complete whānau surveys and attend information evenings as the leadership team of our

school are using your voice and thoughts to help shape the changes.

This week we farewell some of our short term International students. It has been lovely having them in our school and we hope they have enjoyed their time at James Hargest College. Thank you to the homestay families who welcome these young people into their homes and extend southern hospitality.

As other schools around the country grapple with the new mobile phone rules in schools, we are once again proud of our kura who took the initiative to implement this at the start of the year. Research has stated it takes around 66 days on average to make a new habit, or break a bad one. Congratulations to all students who have worked hard to reduce their reliance on their mobile phones. The anecdotal feedback from staff suggests that this policy is allowing greater focus for students in the classroom which can only be a good thing.

As Term Two ramps up for students with regards to assessments, winter sports, production, the Ball, cultural events and trips, we wish all students and whānau the very best for a successful term at James Hargest College.

Ka kite,
Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Below: Junior Campus Art students have been designing houses.





Top Chemistry Scholar in New Zealand!



We are so proud of Ben Elder who was this week celebrated in the Grand Hall of Parliament. Ben achieved the top score in Scholarship Chemistry across the whole country. While at school, Ben was actively engaged in a range of activities across academia, sports, cultural activities and service endeavours. He made the most of all opportunities to extend his knowledge and challenge himself academically. Ben attended Rotary Science Forum and pushed himself with Olympiad competitions and events.

Managing his busy schedule while maintaining focus, drive and determination are admirable qualities Ben demonstrated in abundance.

Ben is currently studying Engineering at the University of Canterbury. We are very proud of him and his Top Scholar award and can't wait to see what he does next.

Junior Campus Choir

Our fantastic Junior Campus Choir have been sharing their talents with the wider Murihiku community by visiting residents at Vickery Court this week. Led by Junior Campus Music Kaiako Mrs Saunders, the students took part in outreach singing with the residents - building relationships with the residents through singing and sharing stories together.

Ko te puoro te kai o te wairua.
Music is the food of the soul.





View 2024's Top Art Painting portfolios and read about the student artists' inspirations.

NZQA TOP ART EXHIBITION
JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE LIBRARY
WEDNESDAY 15 MAY - 23 MAY 2024



Pictured: Overstimulation - Sean Bath
2023 JHC Art Scholarship

Congratulations James Hargest College Academic Scholars 2023

BENJAMIN ELDER
Top Scholar New Zealand
CHEMISTRY



Outstanding Scholarship
in Biology

Scholarship in Calculus
& Academic Excellence



DECLAN CROMBIE
Scholarship in Biology
Scholarship in Statistics
& Academic Excellence



RUBY BATH
Scholarship in English
& Academic Excellence



SEAN BATH
Scholarship in Painting
& Academic Excellence



'ONEVAI PITA
Scholarship in History



INGAMAR SIEGRUHN
Scholarship in Music



CHELSEA SMITH
Scholarship in Painting

NCEA ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE ENDORSEMENTS



**JAMES
BATH**



**CLAIRE
BEST**



**LYDIA
BLOMFIELD**



**MEADOW
BODKIN-ALLEN**



**MICHAEL
CLINCKETT**



**SEWMI
DISSANAYAKA**



**HASNULA HEWA
BABARANDA**



**FORREST
LUNG**



**KATIE
MELGREN**



**BENJAMIN
SCOTT**



**MEGAN
SULLIVAN**

We are proud of the achievements of our academic scholars in 2023, earning ten NCEA Scholarships across eight different subjects.

We are particularly thrilled with Benjamin Elder's Top Scholar in NZ for Chemistry and Outstanding Scholarship in Biology.

We also congratulate the fifteen students who gained Excellence Endorsements at Level 3 NCEA.

We think that this kind of success is worth celebrating. These students will be honoured and congratulated in person at a special ceremony. The wero (challenge) has been set for our rangatahi this year.



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French Trip

The French students visited northern France and Belgium discovering the areas in which NZ soldiers fought during World War 1. They were hosted in Le Quesnoy, a village that was liberated by NZ soldiers in 1918, and where a new museum has recently opened. The museum has been developed by Weta Workshop.

They continued into Belgium, seeing Flanders Fields and laying a wreath as part of the Last Post ceremony at the Menen Gate.

After a day in Bruges they arrived at Bourg-en-Bresse with our home stays. The students experienced the 8am start for lessons (!), the school cafeteria (much like an American one), and the very different school life!



Le Quesnoy - NZ
Liberation Museum

Arras - Carrières
Wellington



Menen Gate -
Last Post



Peter Scully - soldier
from Invercargill killed
during the liberation of
Le Quesnoy



Below: Artwork by Year 9 Digital
Technologies students





Left: Arwork by Cohen
Cameron

ANZAC Day Parade



"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. We will remember them."

Our student leaders represented our kura at the Dawn Parade.

Our thoughts went to our namesake, Brigadier James Hargest as our students placed the wreath on the cenotaph. We are also proud of the other JHC students and staff performing their different roles in the ceremony, especially Miss Gooding who played the last post.



ANZAC ceremonies were held for all year levels at the Senior Campus. Our focus was on contemplation, gratitude, reflection and respect. Lest we forget.

Music

It has been wonderful to see so many of our Hēmi Hākena ākonga volunteer their talents and pay their respects by playing as part of various ANZAC ceremonies across the motu. Special mention goes to John Chesney who has played the last post for our school ANZAC ceremonies, the service at First Church, and many services across Southland at rest homes. Also, to Lachlan Checketts (pipes), Cameron Fraser (bass drum), and alumni Finn Cruickshank (snare drum) who are part of the National Youth Pipe Band of New Zealand that was selected to perform at the national service in Wellington (that unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the strong winds!).
Ka maumahara tonu tātou ki a rātou We will remember them.



Kooga Jackets

Please include the student's name on the order form. This makes it easier to get the jackets to them!



New Zealand International Biology Olympiad

A massive whakamihi to Jian Torrepalma who is one of 25 students in New Zealand to gain a Silver Certificate in the 2024/25 New Zealand International Biology Olympiad. This comes off the back of being one of 241 students to gain the Bronze Certificate back in October 2023.

Since the Term 3 holidays in 2023 to the end of February 2024 Jian has completed a tutorial programme which culminated in another examination, of which the Silver Certificates were earned.

The next part of this programme for Jian was a Hands on selection camp in Auckland in the last holidays. During this camp Jian completed a three hour theory and a three hour practical examination. It was a wonderful opportunity for Jian and he can't wait to see where his scientific learning will take him next.



This week we farewelled Mr Prateep and his wonderful group of young people. We have loved having them in our kura and they have experienced some wonderful sights of Southland. T Mr Prateep, it is never say farewell, instead mā te wā.

Year 10

bit about where important parts of the world are and gave us ways to help remember them. The accuracy with which he drew the map and his ability to remember all the places was amazing. Things like some of the longest rivers in the world (Nile, Amazon, Yangtze) and famous mountain ranges as well as lakes and oceans. At the end we got a chance to win a couple of prizes that were from around the world by showing that we were listening and answering some questions. He then asked us the ten questions from the beginning of the lesson again and the person who could answer them all got the final prize. Our class was privileged to hear from such a passionate and knowledgeable man.

forward with new ideas, stepping up, stepping in and stepping out as leaders. It provided realistic ways that we can do this within our school environment. We are excited to get together as a group and put our learning into practice!



Digital Technologies

The Bebras Computing Challenge Celebrating Computational Thinkers

The Bebras Computing Challenge 2024 saw students from James Hargest College Senior Campus showcase their computational prowess. The Bebras Challenge introduces computational thinking to students all over the world, in over 50 countries. Here are the highlights from JHC:

Gold Medalists: Cameron Hughes and Tequin Lake demonstrated exceptional computational skills, earning gold medals.

Silver Medalists: Josh Chen, Noah Jaleeludeen, Sean Cross, and Ben O'Connor displayed commendable proficiency, securing silver medals.

Bronze Medalists: Zuriel Boanerges, Fahim Firdaus, and Logan Jordan exhibited strong computational abilities, earning bronze medals.

Participation: Noah Hackett, Gage Crow, Riley Ferguson, and Alex Zernov actively engaged in the challenge, contributing to the learning experience.

Congratulations to all participants for their dedication and enthusiasm, reaffirming the importance of computational literacy in education.



Literacy & Numeracy Corequisite Assessment Tasks

In Week 4 of this term, from May 20th to May 24th, Y10 students and some Y11, Y12 and Y13 students will have the opportunity to sit the Literacy (Reading and Writing) and Numeracy Corequisite Assessments.

These three assessments enable students to gain the Literacy & Numeracy credits that are required to attain an NCEA qualification. If a student is unsuccessful or absent, there will be another opportunity at the end of Term 3 of this year. Following that, students will be able to continue sitting these assessments until they are successful.

Over the last few weeks students have been preparing for these assessments. They have been asked to ensure that their device is able to access the website

and the past sample digital papers and to ensure that their device is fully charged each day. The battery will need to be able to last for at least two hours at a time. If their device does not have the necessary specifications, they will be able to borrow a school device. Students should let their form teacher know and one will be booked for them. It is unlikely that a device will be able to be borrowed on the day without prior booking. For students who have been granted SAC conditions, appropriate assistance is being organised. Additionally, the Numeracy and Writing assessments will have a text to speech function available to read out the questions. If students wish to use this feature, they will need to have their own headphones compatible with their device. Practice assessments are available

on the NZQA site so that students can familiarise themselves with the tasks.

Students have a minimum of 60 minutes to complete each assessment. However, if a student needs extra time, it is available to them. Students cannot leave the assessment in the first hour, but will be able to return to class at the end of the lesson or when they get finished in the second hour. They will need to be prepared for this.

See below for days and period times for each assessment session. Students should be aware that sessions start at slightly different times each day due to the school timetable. All assessment sessions will take place in the Hall. Students should be outside the Hall at least 5 minutes before the start of the assessment.

Form Class or Year Group	Reading	Writing	Numeracy
10RLF/10BPY/10AWN/10KHS/10LDP	Thur 23 rd – P3/P4	Tues 21 st - P1/P2	Wed 22 nd - P3/P4
10HPO/10JBL/10EJN/10JC O/10JBS/10PRL	Thur 23 rd – P1/P2	Tues 21 st - P3/FT/P4	Fri 24 th – P1/P2
Seniors (Y11/Y12/Y13)	Mon 20 th – P3/P4	Fri 24 th – P3/FT/P4	Wed 22 nd – SSR/P5



Each Thursday Mrs Ford and Mrs Valoa-Jack take a group of students walking around our local area. This week we only had a small group and we ventured down to Thomson's Bush. We certainly enjoyed the sun even it if was a little fresh out!

Digital Technologies

Grok Programming Competition Term 1

The Digital Technologies Programming classes delved into the Grok Python Challenges for Beginners (Year 11 class) and Intermediate (Level 2 class), embarking on a 5-week journey of coding prowess. Throughout the competition, students from both classes exhibited remarkable dedication, showcasing their commitment to mastering Python programming. Ka Pai to their efforts! In the Beginners stream, Brock Smith, Cissie

Lung, Misha Chisnall, Pax Talbot, and Saranya Sarisa achieved Perfect Scores, reflecting their exceptional understanding and execution of Python concepts (pictured below) Meanwhile, in the Intermediate stream, Cameron Labes attained Perfect scores, while Amanda Henderson secured a commendable High Distinction, demonstrating their proficiency and skill in tackling the challenges. Congratulations to all students that competed.





International Students

Mr Prateep's Holiday Tour

During the holidays, Mr Prateep's group embarked on an adventure to the tourist capital of NZ - Queenstown. They had an action-packed three days, experiencing all that Queenstown and surrounds have to offer. Thank you to Waine Harding, Evan and Tricia France for accompanying this trip.





International Trip to Te Anau

Recently, many of our short stay Thai students travelled to Te Anau to explore the glow worm caves. It was a fun day out for all.

Term Dates for 2024

- 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)

HARGEST STUDY CENTRE

Senior Campus Library
Tuesdays 3.30 - 5.00pm

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Afternoon tea provided by the PTA.

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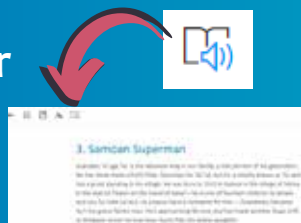


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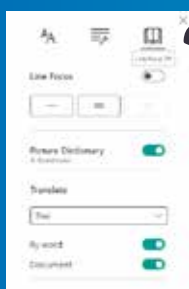
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Attendance at Hēmi Hākena

High attendance rates across our kura are a source of pride. In order to retain (and increase) these rates we continue to work hard, together as a community, to ensure our rangatahi are at school, in their classes. We know this has a high contribution to success in education. This will positively impact their future.

Some of the common attendance codes you might see on your child's attendance and what they stand for are:

- P - Present
- L - Late
- U - Unjustified Absence
- J - Justified absence

Justified and Unjustified absences can be confusing. To be marked as a Justified Absence our kura works to a set of rules to ensure transparency, consistency, and fairness to all. A Justified Absence is granted for:

- A day to attend a tangi / funeral
- Competing in sporting or cultural events / tournaments
- A day for a family wedding
- Dance, music or speech exam

Unjustified Absences are the likes of:

- A family holiday
- A non-specific appointment
- Taking a pet to the vet
- Job Interview

First and foremost, attendance queries should be addressed to your child's form teacher. They are monitoring the days rangatahi are absent and looking for any patterns in this. Deans are also a great support and are monitoring the individual periods absent within a day where students are otherwise present, and are especially monitoring where attendance rates begin to fall.

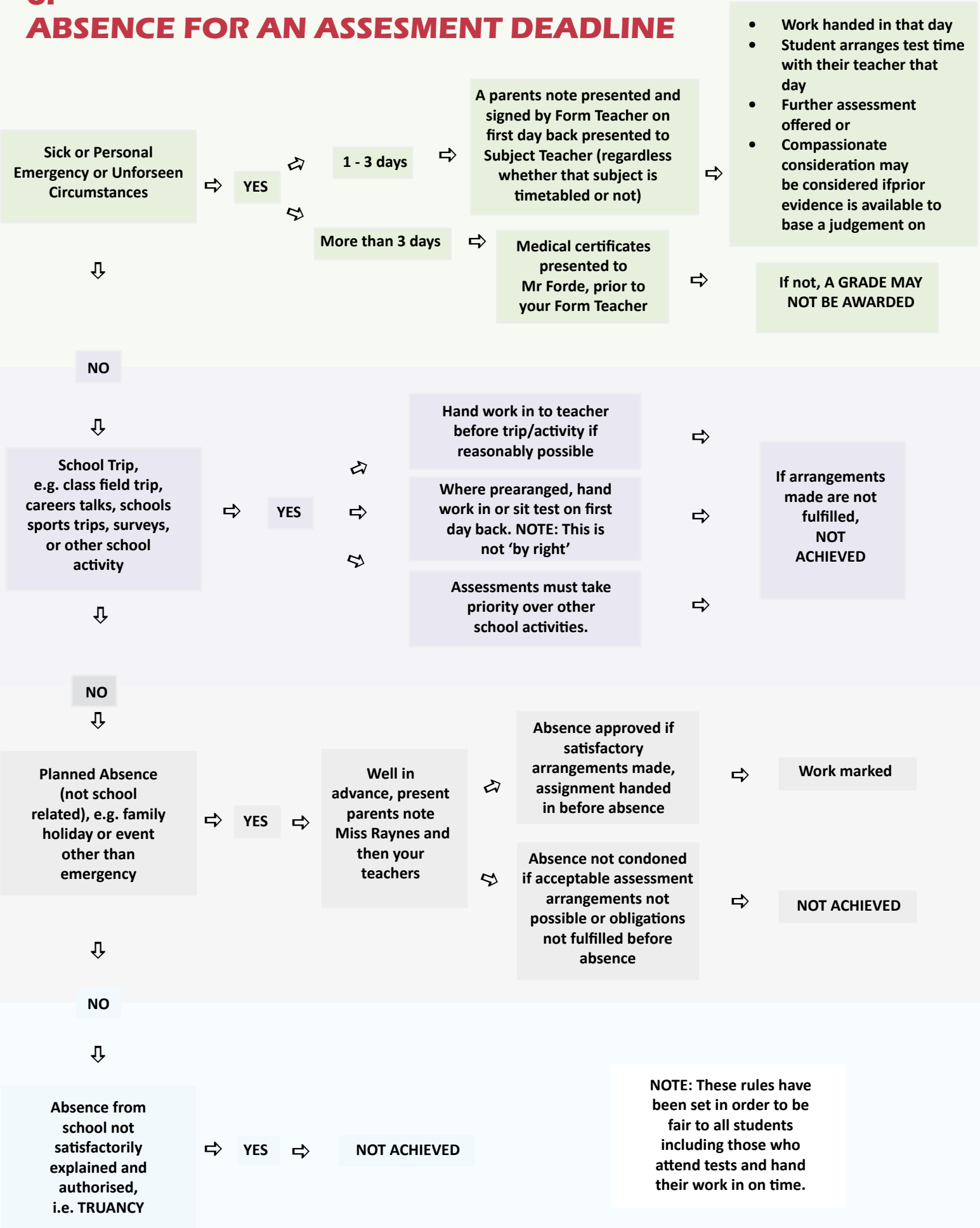
If you know your child is going to be absent in advance, on a family holiday for instance, please email the Senior Leader with responsibility for attendance. In Term 2 this is Acting Deputy Principal Erin Pickering: epickering@jameshargest.school.nz. In Terms 3 and 4 this will return to being Associate Principal Caroline Raynes: craynes@jameshargest.school.nz. From here, our Attendance Officer, Lisa Martin, will action the paperwork for the student to get signed off by their teachers. It is important for Year 12 - 13 students to carefully examine the impact of such absences on their NZQA assessments. We especially encourage students to check the flowchart for absence from a test or absence for an assessment deadline. Year 11 students should be aware of the impact unjustified absences will have on levels of achievement for their Brigadier's Diploma for which we know most have set high goals.

Our Attendance Officer, Lisa Martin, is always available to discuss attendance queries and can be reached by emailing attendance@jameshargest.school.nz, via the app, or by ringing the school on 03) 217 6129.

He iti te mokoroa, nāna i kati te kahikatea | The mokoroa (grub) may be small, but it cuts through the Kahikatea.

This whakatauki reflects that small things can have a great impact. It encourages us to think big. Although numbers or resources may be small, like the mokoroa, it is possible to achieve great tasks / achievements.

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



Duke of Edinburgh Training Camp

A group of keen Bronze and Silver students attended an action-packed training camp at Riverton in early May. The purpose of the camp is to provide the preparatory training for the Adventurous Journey section of the Award. The camp was filled with tramping, first aid, compass use, camp craft and fun. The Bronze students were introduced to a Litter Intelligence

Programme which involves collecting litter data so this information can be used for further research.

Thank you to Miss Thomas, Miss McMillian and Bronwyn Graham (Sustainable Coastlines) for your assistance.



Block Takeover Youth Festival

The Invercargill Youth Council, along with Number 10, Te Rourou One Foundation, South Alive and Youthline, are super excited to bring you Block Takeover Youth Festival on Saturday 18 May 2024!

Block Takeover is a one day event running 1pm until 6pm in the Invercargill city centre for youth aged 12 to 24 which aims to create connection and inspire our future leaders.

Activities will take place between the Civic Theatre, Kahu Ariki Lawn, Number 10 and the old Enrich building on Don Street and include:

Speakers

Hear from a line-up of influential speakers like Gore Mayor Ben Bell – the youngest Mayor in Aotearoa; Kathryn Berkett –

Leading Brain Neuroscience trainer; and Dylan Chand – Climate Activist.

Workshops

Participate in workshops like Te Ao Māori workshop with Steph Blair or Play Design with Dr Damien Puddle.

Panel

Ask questions of our expert panellists, discussing hot topics that matter to the youth today.

Organisation stands

Connect with youth-focused organizations that are eager to share valuable information and opportunities.

Other activities

Have fun gaming with James Wards from Your Corps and enjoy the Live

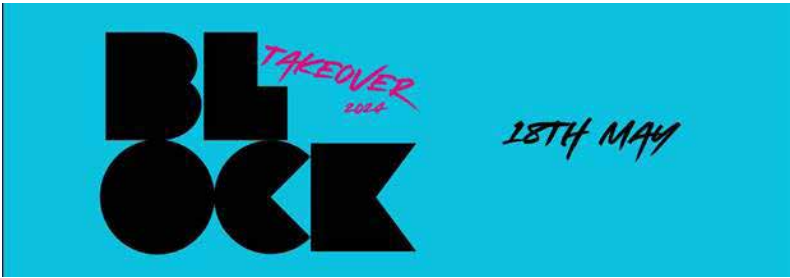
Music, Food Trucks, Demonstrations and Outdoor Games!

Block Takeover is tailored for young individuals looking to make an impact, students seeking inspiration, young professionals aiming to network, and any youth who want to be empowered and informed.

Mark your calendars for the 18th of May and see you at the Block Takeover!

What you need to know

Event: Block Takeover Youth Festival
Date: Saturday 18th of May 2024
Time 1pm – 6pm
Location: Civic Theatre, 88 Tay St, Invercargill
Facebook event link: Block Takeover Youth Festival | Facebook



Digital Technologies



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Year 11 Digital Technology students have been busy making Mother's Day artwork

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.

Public Health Nurse

Senior Campus

Our Public Health Nurse (Sarah) is available every Monday from 10:30am - 11:15am in the Guidance Department. This is a free, confidential service.

You can text 027 299 0788 to book an appointment with Sarah, turn up on the day or arrange an appointment through the Guidance Department.

Junior Campus

Our Public Health Nurse Sarah Liggins-Walters is available to support students with any health inquiries. Please phone 027 299 0788 to arrange an appointment. Alternatively students can fill in a referral form in the office and post it in the post box. Sarah will then make contact with the student.

James Hargest College Proudly Presents
YEAR 9 & 10 PLAY
WEDNESDAY 15 MAY and
THURSDAY 16 MAY
at 7.00PM
Adults \$10.00
Students \$5.00

James Hargest College
Senior Campus Hall

The cast have been working hard (and having a lot of fun) to present this lovely adaption of Hans Christian Andersen's rather dark fairy tale. This story traces the adventures of Gerda searching for her friend Kay. A team of four senior students have taken these scenes and crafted them into a highly entertaining show.

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN'S
The Snow Queen
ADAPTED BY DAVID POTTINGER

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

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

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

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

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Swimming National Championships

Congratulations to Gabriel de Olivera who placed

3rd 100 breast stroke

4th 50m breast stroke

4th 200m breast stroke

Olivia Johnson gained 10th in the 400m IM.

Awsome mahi, we wish them all the best for the Nationals coming up in August.





Athletics

SISS Championships

Well done to the large team of 20 athletes who competed in the SISS athletics meet recently. The warm, sunny conditions were perfect and most athletes recorded PB's or made the top 8 or both! Special congratulations to Will Brown who won the Under 15 Boys' High Jump, Bea Christie who won the Under 16 Girls' 80m Hurdles and earned silver in the Pole Vault and bronze in the Shot Put, and massive congratulations too to the Boys' Under 15 Relay team of Jayden Dawson, Will Brown, Odin Bartlett and Will Fleming who gained an awesome silver medal in their final. Well done to all the athletes who took part.





Japan Trip Jingo night
- 15th May

Classic Trip Jingo night
- 29th May

Jingo Night Fundraisers

As we say welcome home to our French trip, our other two upcoming groups are getting right into fundraising. We have Jingo nights coming up - a real fun night with friends that tests your music knowledge (or how fast you can Shazam things!). Come along to the Waikiwi on the following nights to help support our students and win some amazing prizes!



Senior A Volleyball

Congratulations to the JHC Boys' team made up of players from Year 9 to 13 who have won the Senior A Volleyball final 3 sets to nil. Great effort!! Thanks to the awesome coach and manager. It has been a fantastic season of growth and improvement.





Pre RYDA Workshop Discoveries

On Monday 13 May, all Year 12 students will attend the RYDA road safety workshop. During the workshop you'll be discussing a number of topics and coming up with strategies that will help keep you and your friends safe. Come to the workshop prepared to discuss your experience.

OPTION

1

MIND-STATE

Practice a grounding exercise designed to relieve anxiety and help you stay in the moment: Close your eyes and slowly take 3 deep breaths. Open your eyes and identify and name the following: 5 things you see; 4 things you feel; 3 things you hear; 2 things you smell; 1 thing you taste. After you've completed the exercise, take a moment and then record your findings (ie, impact on focus, mood, etc).

OPTION

2

DISTRACTIONS

Have a look in your family car and see how many potential distractions you can identify. Find and comment on one distraction that you think can be removed, and one distraction that can't be removed but can be managed.

OPTION

3

SAFER ROADS

Research a local road or one that you regularly drive on (say, for family holidays) that has undergone an upgrade. Jot down the improvements that were made, research why they were made and bring the information along to the RYDA workshop.

OPTION

4

SAFER VEHICLES

Research the kind of car you might buy as your first car. Start by setting your budget and looking at your options (eg, new or second hand/ 'must have' features). Once you have decided on your car run a search and write down the safety features it comes with. Bring your list along to the RYDA day and compare with the safety features discussed.

OPTION

5

SAFER SPEEDS

Do an online search to find a comprehensive definition of speeding as it relates to driving and determine the percentage of road crashes, in this country, where speeding is found to be a direct factor in fatality crashes.

OPTION

6

VULNERABLE ROAD USERS

Create and conduct an online survey of vulnerable road users (pedestrians, cyclists, motorbike bike riders, roadworkers, etc). Analyse the behaviour (positive and negative) of these road users and, from their perspective, the behaviour (positive and negative) of vehicle drivers as they interact with them. Identify the three most reported negative/ dangerous behaviours for each of the two road user groups and bring your findings to the RYDA workshop.

Waka Ama

On Sunday 7 April 2024, a group of our students took part in the Rangatahi Waka Ama Sprint Series, held at the Southland Powerboat Club. This year there were more teams, and we also had a team from Fiordland College competing. This day gave coaches the opportunity to look at combinations for the upcoming Icebreaker Challenge, which will be held in Dunedin during the King's birthday weekend. Races were 500 meters (with a turn). It was a lovely day out and the cold did not dampen our excitement. Our students made themselves proud by securing a second place overall. If you would like to try Waka Ama please contact me at the Junior Campus, or you can access a registration form via the James Hargest School website. *Mr Kleinhans*



Gymnastics

Lucy Cooper has been selected to represent NZ at the Australian Aerobics Nationals in June this year. Congratulations Lucy!



Southland Hockey Representatives

Congratulations to Ben O'Connor, Caleb Devery, Ryan Smith, Reihana Unahi and Robson McKee who have been selected to represent Southland at the Vantage National U18 Men's Hockey tournament in July in Napier. The girls who have been selected to represent Southland at the Vantage National U18 Women's Hockey tournament in July in Christchurch are Emily Kean, Madeleine Lawlor, Anita White, Tylah Templer and Charlotte Morris. Mya O'Connor is also in this team who is an alumni of JHC.



Hip Hop United Competition

Congratulations to Kiera Wakefield who is heading to Wellington for the Hip Hop United Competition representing Southland with her Hip Hop Dance Crew. Good luck Keira!

Track Cycling

Riley Faulkner has been achieving amazing things on the track lately. Riley has been selected to represent New Zealand at the 2024 UCI World Junior Track Championships in August. This includes participating in a Pre-Worlds Departure Camp in Cambridge from 10-15 August, then heading to Luoyang, China to prepare and compete from 16-27 August. As a first year Under 19 cyclist, she will be the youngest member of the NZ World Junior team (being only 16 at the time of competition), marking a significant achievement in her career.



Riley also showcased her skills at the YSD Australasian Series in Malaysia from 3-5 May, securing three medals and two personal bests, in world class times for her age.

Some of Riley's recent achievements are:

2024: U19 Women Team Sprint NZ Championship Record

2024: U19 Women Team Sprint NZ All-Comers Record

Continuously sets NZ best times for her age over the first 250m (essential for Team Sprint starter).

Wow Riley! What awesome achievements!

Mountain Biking

Blake Cooper recently competed in the New Zealand leg of the Crankworx World Tour at Rotorua. He competed in the U17 category with riders from across

the globe competing in 4 events. He earned an 8th placing in Dual Slalom, 8th in Pump Track, and 4th overall in the U17 category. Well done Blake!





Netball

It is great to see Hargest so well represented in the INC U16 netball representative teams this year. Congratulations to Aneeka Fosbender, Lily Tufui, Kyra Savory, Lilah Jack and Elly Baird who have been named in the A team; Bea Christie who was named in the B team; and to Caitlin Crawford and Erin Wilkinson who were named as Training Partners for the group. Well done girls and all the best for a successful season.

*Pictured right, L-R, Front row: Aneeka, Lily, Kyra
Back row: Elly, Lilah, Erin
Below, L-R, Bea, Caitlin*



Marching

The Hokonui U13 Marching team recently competed at the New Zealand Championships in Hamilton. The team included Aiyana Bartlett, Ria Powell and Samantha McIntosh from Junior Campus.

Their commitment, dedication, passion and sassiness was next level as they marched their hearts out. They left everything out on the field to finish their unbeaten season with three national titles: Champion Technical Team, Champion Display Team and New Zealand Champion U13 team for the 2023-24 season.

A huge congratulations to these girls.



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Senior Campus (2176129) or
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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

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E-mail Newsletters

The next newsletter will be issued via email on 7 June 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

May

Mon	13	RYDA - Year 12 students Top Art Exhibition in the Library
Tue	14	LEO Induction, Interval
Wed	15	Invercargill zone chess tournament
Wed-Thu	15-16	Year 9 & 10 Play, Hall
Fri	17	Pink Shirt Day DGM trip SIT
Mon-Fri	20-24	Literacy & Numeracy Assessments
Thu	23	BOT meeting in the Brig, 5:15pm, Senior Campus
Mon	27	Dunedin Tertiary Day
Fri	31	Smashed and Smarts

June

Wed	1	School Cross Country postponement day
Mon	3	King's Birthday - school closed
Tue	4	Teacher Only Day (School closed for instruction)
Thu	6	Chamber Music District Contest Whānau Hui 5pm, Senior Campus
	7	Otago Law School, 11:30am - 1:00pm, Hall
Sat	8	School Ball
Mon	10	Classics Trip Hui, 5:30pm
Tue	11	Big Sing Regionals
Wed	12	The Sing Thing Wakatipu Exchange at Wakatipu High School
Thu	13	BOT meeting in the Brig, 5:15pm, Senior Campus
Fri	14	Rockquest Regional Finals - Civic Theatre
Mon-Thu	17-20	Major Production, 7pm, Senior Campus Hall
Mon	17	School Pride Week
Fri	21	Japanese Trivia Champs
Fri-Sun	21-23	Chamber Music SI Regional Finals
Sun	23	Chess Tournament, Library
Mon	24	Readers Cup, 4:00pm, Ascot Park Hotel
Tue	25	ShowQuest Japan Trip Hui, 7pm, Staffroom PTA AGM, 7:30pm in the Brig
Thu	27	L3 Tourism Trip
Fri	28	Matariki - school closed

Junior Campus

May

Wed	15	Elgregoe Visiting Performance PPTA Paid Union Meeting (School closed for instruction from 1:30pm)
Thu	16	John Parsons
Fri	17	Pink Shirt Day
Wed-Thu	22-23	Social Sciences Fair
Thu	23	BOT meeting in the Brig, 5:15pm, Senior Campus
Thu	30	Cross Country
Fri	31	Cross Country postponement day

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