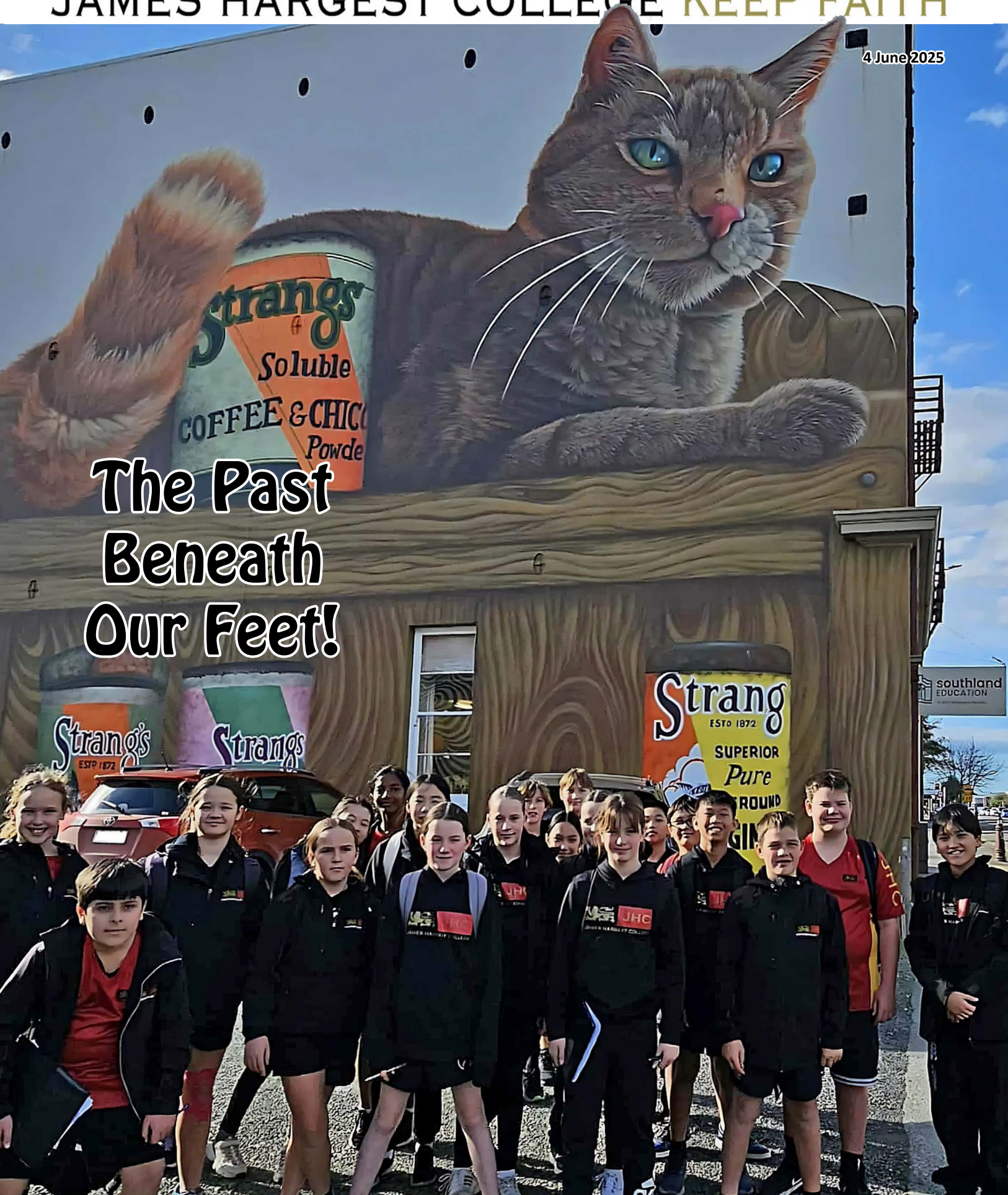


JHC

JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE KEEP FAITH

4 June 2025

The Past Beneath Our Feet!



Principal's Comment



Mike Newell
Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

Over the past couple of weeks, many of our students have been sitting the Literacy and Numeracy Co-requisite qualification. Our students are to be commended for the way in which they approached these; they were on time, prepared with their devices and their conduct during the assessments was excellent. Results won't be back for a couple of months and there is a second assessment window later in the year for students to obtain the co-requisite.

It is a busy time for our students competing in the performing arts, we have had students competing nationally for debating, the Manu Kōrero Otago Southland Speech Competition and the Shakespeare Festival in Wellington. Coming up we have students competing in the Chamber Music, Showquest and Toi Wearable Arts Competitions. Our kapa haka roopu has been preparing for the

upcoming Te Hautoka Competition in Dunedin. Our 'Not So Major Production' takes place in the second last week of term and this year it is called Wāhi Tapu.

Next week we look forward to hosting Wakatipu High School in our annual winter sports interchange. These interchanges are an important part of our sports programme and carry on a long tradition with WHS. Good luck to all the teams taking part.

With the winter months upon us, another plea for driver safety before and after school. Both campuses are very congested with drop offs and pick ups. Please refrain from parking across driveways, yellow lines and close to the pedestrian crossings.

Ngā mihi
Mike Newell
Principal

From the Boardroom



Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

Kia ora koutou,

The May meeting of the JHC Board of Trustees opened with karakia and then Jonny Horrax, HoD Social Sciences spoke to the Board about the 2024 report for the subject areas he has responsibility for. Jonny shared with us the Department's excitement about being part of Te Pōhā Matauraka o Murihiku which is a robust program of learning designed to connect schools to local iwi. Jonny spoke about the ways the Department is working collaboratively

to align the learning from Years 7 - 10 and the greater confidence staff have in sharing these awesome resources and localised perspectives. He also shared the growing excitement around the Year 9 curriculum refresh that is happening this term. The new courses being designed in the social sciences are student centered and future focussed. They will give a lot more student choice and the ability to be partners in their learning to a far greater level. The Brigadier's Diploma at Year 11 has also been a real success in social sciences with students taking ownership of their learning and achievement. Finally, the other highlight was in Scholarship success. The Social Sciences area earned four NZ Scholarships last year, two in Classics, one in History and an Outstanding Scholarship Award in Media Studies. These Scholarships are only achieved with significant time invested from the teachers involved. These are a testament to the teachers dedication and willingness to support students to achieve at the highest level. The Board is very grateful for the hard work of Jonny and his team and we certainly appreciated hearing about all the wonderful things happening in that area.

On the property front it was great to see some pictorial updates on the new build. It is exciting to see this moving forward and to know that it will be a fabulous asset for our kura for years to come. That it is completely out of the way and does not impact teaching and learning of other spaces is also a great result and a testament to the hard work and planning from Al Pannet. We continue to be grateful for his careful and thoughtful oversight of all aspects of the property at JHC.

Our student representative, Ben Hargest spoke to the board about all the events happening around school and gave a student perspective on what is making a difference for students. As always, we appreciate his insight and involvement in so many areas of the school.

As Term Two races by, we wish sports teams and groups competing all the very best and encourage all students to say thank you to the adults giving up their time to support you in your endeavours.

Ngā mihi,
Toni Green
BOT Presiding Member

A Tribute to our Bev

Several staff members, retired and current, went to the service to farewell our “school mum” Beverly Fleming. Bev began working at James Hargest High School in 1988. She started off working in the staffroom, looking after all the staff. She then added working in the canteen to her day, a role she held for many years. Once she decided to semi retire, she stayed working in the staffroom where she was a friendly face for all who entered. Bev took a keen interest in learning the names of new staff and she helped them settle

in - often helping them make connections with others. We were honoured to have Bev as part of the Hargest family for so long. Her children attended JHC, some of her grandchildren are at school with us now and she was absolutely mother, grandmother, aunty, teacher, counsellor and friend to many many staff over the years. Bev knew everyone - and truly cared about each person. We are grateful for her almost 40 years of service to our school. We will miss her enormously - no one else will ever know everyone's parents, children, grandparents and

great aunts in the way Bev did. She was connected to JHC in a special way and we will speak of her often and remember her always.



Whānau Report

This has been a massive month for Hēmi Hākēna whānau. Last week we had three speakers at Ngā Manu Kōrero the Otago and Southland regional Māori speech competition. Anahera Unahi competed in the Sir Turi Carroll (Junior English) section, speaking on the theme of identity and her taha Māori. Trinity Duncan competed in the Te Rāwhiti Ihaka (Junior Māori) section. Trinity was articulate and awesome. Lilly Kingipotiki spoke in the Korimako - Senior English this year. She delivered an impassioned speech about identity and finding your place. She was emailed a message of congratulations from the Director of Education for Otago and Southland, David Tapp which stated: *“I was fortunate to attend Ōtākou ki Murihiku Ngā Manu Kōrero 2025 today and to hear your kōrero. I wanted you to know that I thought you did an amazing job and I appreciate how nervous you must have been. I was very inspired by what you*

said and I congratulate you for all of the hard work that you have put into preparing for today! I hope you are proud of yourself – you should be! What an exceptional achievement, ka mau te wehi.” All three speakers put in countless hours writing and rehearsing their speeches, with the support of whānau and kaiako, and showed real presence on stage. Kei runga noa atu koutou. We are very proud of you all and how you stood on that massive stage. We are into the final preparation for Te hautoka now. Our noho over King's Birthday weekend was fruitful and all students have been working hard to ensure our bracket is strong, powerful and polished. We can't wait to share it with you all.

Hei kona mai,
Matua Neitana



PTA Report



Jo Wilson
PTA Chairperson

Kia ora from the PTA!

We held our AGM, followed by a general meeting on 22nd May 2025 where we carried out the Election of Officers:

Chairperson: Jo Wilson

Deputy Chair: Warren Smith

Treasurer: Laura Millman

Secretary: Bronwyn Graham

Non-elected positions:

Staff Representative: Chris Kleinhans

Student Representatives: Neve Templeton and David Hardy

Uniform Co-Ordinator: Ainslie Bruce

We warmly welcome Neve and David to the team. We look forward to working alongside you and hearing your voice and perspective on the items presented to us. Along with our student reps, we would like to warmly welcome Isaac who has joined the PTA team too.

He waka eke noa

We're all in this together

At our general meeting we agreed to fund two new applications that were presented to us. One was an EPro8 electronics kit, which is an extension on a kit we have already purchased. The other was to help with the Structured Literacy Teacher Aide Professional Development. Both were unanimously voted with a yes as they provide strong benefits to our children now and into the future. We hope you are keeping warm as the winter coldness has definitely set in.

Ngā mihi,
Jo Wilson and the PTA Team

PTA meetings will be held in the Brigadier's Room at the Senior Campus, at 7.30pm.
Thursday 21st August
Thursday 6th November

PTA Student Representatives

Neve Templeton

I am pleased to be involved in the PTA so that I can have my say and other students can have their say through me when it comes to making decisions or having input in a discussion. I think it's a great idea to have students on the PTA to bridge the gap between parents, teachers and students. I also think it's a great way to be involved in my community.



David Hardy

I am pleased to join the PTA to be more involved in the community at Hargest. I am keen to engage in useful measured discourse with the PTA and embody the will of the students to a reasonable degree. I think this will work well alongside my involvement in the Student Council. I would consider myself organised, and take pride in maintaining clear and effective communication.



Staff Welcome Senior Campus



Cecille Arciaga

Welcome to Cecille Arciaga who has joined us from the Philippines! Cecille is teaching in the English and Social Studies Departments. Cecille enjoys cultural activities, dancesport, media and outdoor activities. She is passionate about the curriculum and enjoys helping students conduct important action research. A methodical worker, Cecille likes to make and check her to-do lists and catch up on all the things she needs to accomplish. We are thrilled Cecille and her family have decided to be Southlanders and we look forward to sharing the great things about Murihiku with them all.



Larisa Mckenna

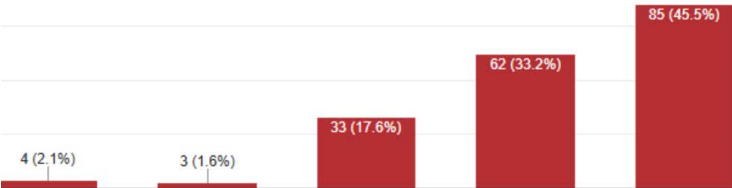
Welcome to Larisa Mckenna who has joined us in the Mathematics Department. Larisa is originally from Kapiti but we are thrilled that she has decided to become a Southlander, shifting here at the start of last year. Outside of the classroom, Larisa enjoys exploring all the awesomeness of our province with her husband. She is part of a strong rugby playing whānau with sons, daughters and grandchildren all playing the sport. Larisa continues to be impressed by the local cultural and sporting events, particularly noting the local turnout and enthusiasm!

Summary of Reporting Review (May 2025)

At James Hargest College we value open and honest communication with you regarding your ākonga/young person’s progress and achievement and an important part of this communication is our written reports.

Our Teaching and Learning Committee are currently reviewing our written mid and end of year reports and sought feedback from parents/ whānau / caregivers through a survey earlier in the term. A summary of the feedback provided is included below and this valuable information will be used to inform the update of our written report formats and processes over the next 6 months.

Are our reports easy to understand and what information is not included that you would appreciate?

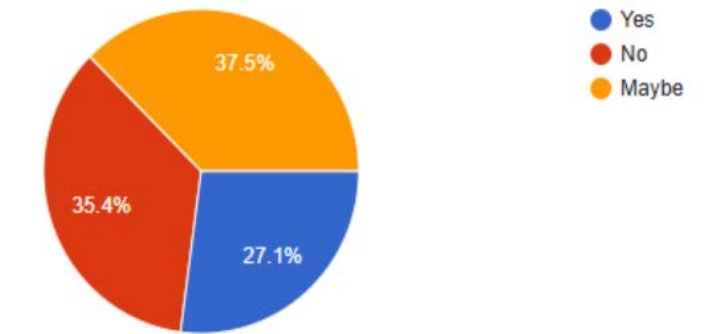


Overall whānau find our reports clear (46%) to relatively clear (33%) to interpret and understand. Assessment grades are highly valued with 92% of respondents indicating these are of importance in reporting, followed by Homeroom or Form Teacher Comments (86%) and approximately 60% of respondents also valued the summary of Live Reporting, Attendance, Student Comments and the table which demonstrates NCEA progress. While comprehensive mid and end-of-year reports are valued, many also appreciate the regular, timely updates sent via our Live Reporting.

Feedback provided did indicate that some parents find some of our current grading systems and subject-specific language confusing, preferring reports that are easy to understand and provide a clear sense of whether their child is on track academically relative to their peers and national standards.

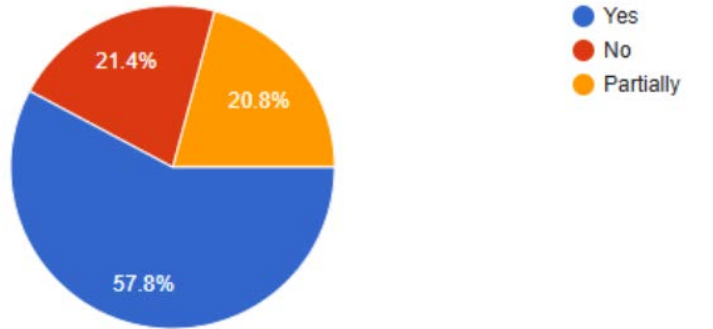
A consistent theme across all year levels was the need for reports to offer a “holistic view” of their child as a learner, detailing their learning dispositions, such as confidence, participation, and work ethic. Parents would like more personalised information and written comments from subject teachers that provide insights into the young person’s struggles, successes, classroom interactions, and areas needing support, indicating a preference for reports that show teachers truly know their child’s “learning journey”

Does your ākonga / young person’s report tell you what their next steps in learning are?



It is clear from your feedback that a next step for us as a school is to ensure feedback in reports provides actionable next steps, which are understandable to parents and placed within the context of typical achievement, that parents can use in supporting their child’s academic progress at home. This is particularly important at mid year, so this can be actioned before exams and end of year assessments.

Is the attendance data relevant and/or useful in reports?



57.8% of respondents find attendance data included in reports useful, but would prefer attendance percentages included for every subject. Feedback also indicates that whānau would prefer attendance data to indicate whether absences are justified or not, for example out of class for sporting events.

We will continue to refine the way we report to whānau using your feedback. We are grateful to those of you who took the time to respond.



Staff News Senior Campus

Kelly Nicolson

We would like to congratulate Kelly Nicolson who has been appointed to the Literacy Support team. Kelly will continue in her Teacher Aide position also.



Newly Appointed Prefects

Senior Campus



Emily Blyth
Arts Prefect



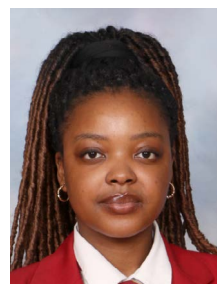
Twizel Corales
Cultural Prefect



Taylor Erskine
Academic Prefect



Sebastian Gray
Service Prefect



Marylin Hodzi
Service Prefect



Chloe Savage
House Captain
Māori Prefect
Cultural Prefect

It is our pleasure to announce some additional prefects after applications and interviews. We have also assigned areas of responsibility to all of our prefects. It is the calibre of the students that miss out that tells us about the quality of young adults we have in our kura.

Current Prefects
Ollie Wilkinson - House Captain and Arts Prefect
Ben Richardson - House Captain and Academic Prefect
Hamish McKenzie - House Captain and Sport Prefect
Lucas McNaught - Sport Prefect
Libby Crawford - House Captain and Sport Prefect
Katie Oliver - House Captain and Sport Prefect
Maria Simpson - Academic Prefect
Amanda Henderson - House Captain and Arts Prefect



House Captain's Challenge

For the first year in the modern era, Menzies took out the annual House Captain Challenge for 2025. All 16 House Captains and the Heads of House competed for House Pride at Super Bowl. While some serious skills were on display, Menzies came first, Thomson 2nd, Hamilton 3rd and Watson 4th.

National Youth Pipe Band

Congratulations to Lachlan Checketts (Year 12) and Cameron Fraser (Year 13) (pictured below from left), who have both been selected for the National Youth Pipe Band of New Zealand! The band are working on recording an album which will be released on Spotify and other platforms. Ka rawe! Lachlan has also recently been named as Juvenile A Grade Piper of the Year for Southland. Fantastic mahi Cameron and Lachlan!



Southland Top Scholars

Every year, the Southland Branch of NZCETA (Commerce and Economics Teachers Association) presents awards to the top scholars in the region for each of the Commerce subjects. The winners of each award receive a badge, certificate and \$100. This year's recipients (based on 2024 NCEA results) are:

Harris Evans (finalist Level 2 Accounting)

Samuel Elder (finalist Level 2 Economics)

Amanda Henderson (Top Scholar Level 2 Digital Technologies).

Education Perfect International Languages Championship

A number of our students participated in a 7 day on-line language competition in May. Congratulations to the 50 students who earned themselves certificates:

Elite (10 000 points) – Eviah Kennedy (Y13 Japanese) & Cissie Lung (Y12 Japanese) (pic. left)

Emerald (5000 points) - Fletcher McDowall (Y11 Japanese) & Chloe Taylor (Y10 Japanese)

Gold (3000 points) – Samuel Tendean (Y11 French), William McCann (Y10 Japanese), Ava Barker (Y11 Japanese) & Julia Thompson (Y11)

Silver (2000 points) – Preethi Ravindran (Y11 French), Irene Tendean (Y13 Japanese), Charlotte Lindsay & Aliya Barlow-Richardson (both Y10 Spanish), Jessica Hay & Vaishnavi Kovvuri (both Y9 Spanish)

Bronze (1000 points) – Amelie Halleux (Y9 French), Sarah Hartstonge (Y12 Japanese), Dante Feaver, Charlie Turner, Aanya Shankar, Sofia Nava Mora & Walter Gibbs (all Y9 Japanese), Anna Tran & Zakia Rosales (both Y10 Spanish), Ella Rohan (Y9 Spanish) & Janika Stirling (Y12)

Credit (500 points) – Emily Kane, Ava Gerrard, Grace Calvert & Azelri Lategan (All Y10 French), Isabella Moore and Nico Wandless (both Y9 French), Shaun Winter (Y12 Japanese), Haylee Donald (Y11 Japanese), Ella Berry & Akaia Lawton (both Y10 Japanese), Basti Rosales, Avia McLean, Will Allen, Matthew Banzuelo, River Bowen, Kayden Henery and Ben Bekhuis (all Y9 Japanese), Isla Bramer & Thomas Bannister (both Y10 Spanish), Ria Powell (Y9 Spanish), Tamsyn Campbell (Y9 Te Reo Māori), Katelyn McNatty (Y12), Nancy Ke and Harris Evans (both Y10)





Environmental Club

Our Environmental Club has gained tremendous popularity with 58 students signed up!

We have recently joined the Enviroschools program, empowering our ākonga to connect with our taiao and create positive changes in the environmental space. In Term 2, our focus will be on learning about the Enviroschools program and identifying areas around our kura where our students can make a positive impact.

Our ākonga are diligently working on various projects and will present their efforts at the end of the term. At Hargest, we are committed to caring for our environment, and our wonderful Environmental Club is eager to make a difference.



10DVC 2025 Thai students Moment Sirirak (L) & Supathida Vichachai (R)

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Funded One-to-One Learning Support – Limited Spaces Available

At Boost Your Learning, our team of specialist MOE registered teachers is currently able to provide free personalised tuition through the following funding streams:

Ngāi Tahu Ngāti Whātua Oranga Tamariki

We have limited spaces available and recommend applying within

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Afternoon tea provided by the PTA.

Term 2, before the end of the fiscal year in July. Students who have participated in this accelerated programme have shown significant improvements in both academic achievement and confidence.

If families would like support with the application process, we're happy to help: [Application Support Form](#)

To learn more or discuss how we can best support your school, feel free to book a time with our Education Advisor, Amy:

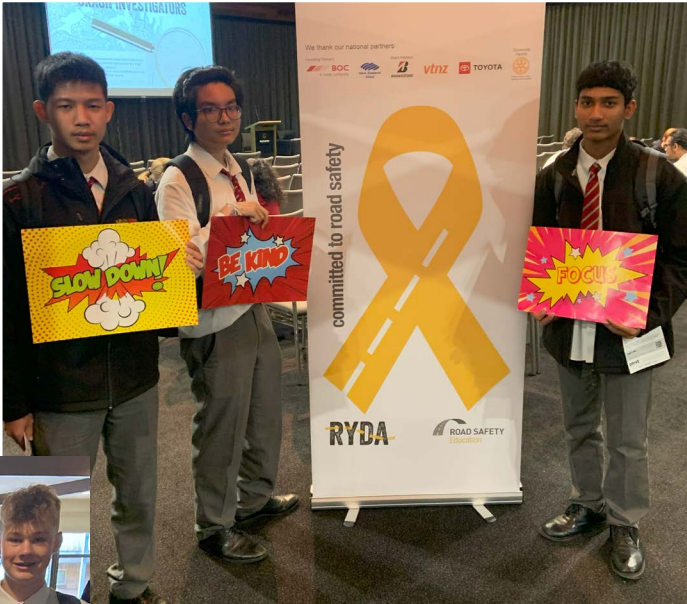
[Book a Twenty-Minute Consult](#)

Road Safety Education Workshop

Year 12

On Monday, 12 May, our Year 12 cohort participated in the RYDA (Road Safety Education Workshop), a program tailored specifically for 16 to 17-year-olds as they begin driving or riding in cars with their peers. This workshop is designed to shift students' perspectives on road safety and equip them with essential tools to ensure safe road use throughout their lives. Regardless of where each student is in their driver's license journey, the workshop remains relevant and valuable for all in this age group.

Staff and volunteers alike praised the cohort for their outstanding participation and respectful behavior, reflecting the maturity and responsibility we strive to foster. This experience will undoubtedly contribute to safer choices on the road now and in the future.



Below: Progress on the New Build!



Choir



Rehearsals are well underway and both choirs are sounding fantastic!

Modern teenagers meet guardians of the forest. The outcome might surprise. The mythical characters of Māoritanga show they have much to offer the people of today.



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James Hargest College Proudly Presents

Wāhi Tapu

THE NOT SO MAJOR PRODUCTION

James Hargest College Senior Campus Hall
Wednesday 18 June and Thursday 19 June at 7.00pm
Adults \$10.00 — Students \$5.00

Chess Power Tournament

Eight students from James Hargest Senior Campus competed in the Invercargill Zone Chess Power tournament on Wednesday 14th May. All players represented the school well and the team won the Senior competition. Special congratulations to our place getters, Liam Alcock (1st and unbeaten on the day), Hasanli Hewa Babaranda (2nd equal overall and 1st girl), and Misha Zernov (2nd equal).

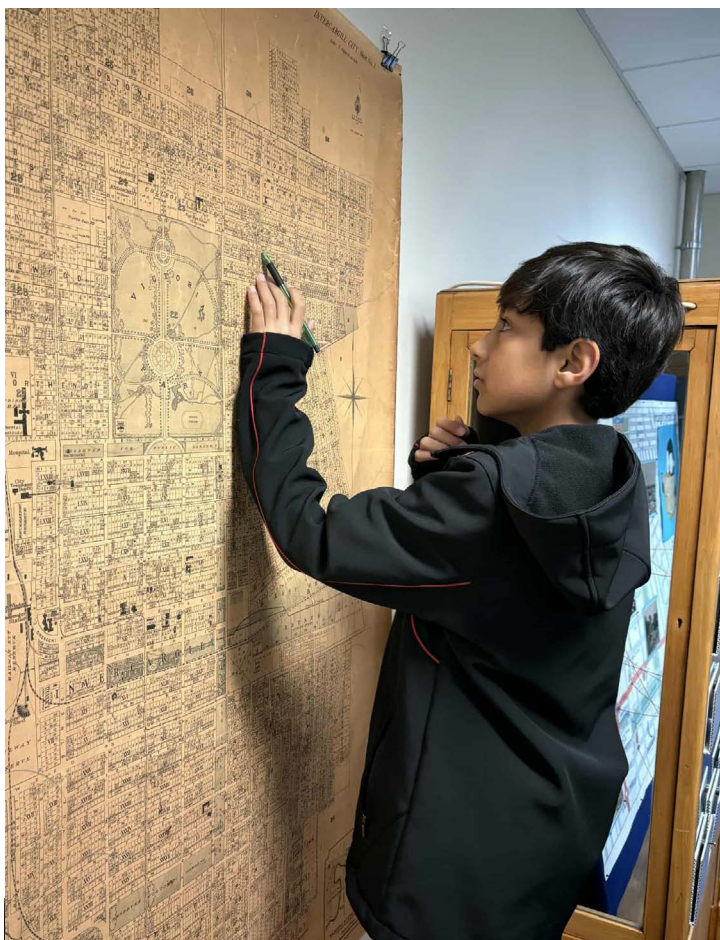
The top five Hargest students; Liam Alcock, Hasanli Hewa Babaranda, Misha Zernov, Sasandu Kiwulegedara and Elliya Kim have also qualified for the National tournament in October. Thanks to the Junior Campus for hosting the tournament.



Otago Chess Tournament

James Hargest College represented Southland and participated in the Intermediate section at the Otago Chess Tournament on Saturday 17 May. They had a successful day finishing 5th in their division. Thank you to the parents who supported our students. Left to right: George Ramsay, Danilo Dias, Vicky Chen and Aatman Parashar.





The Past Beneath Our Feet!

Junior Campus had an epic week recently, with all of our classes making their way into the Invercargill CBD to learn more about the Past Beneath Our Feet!

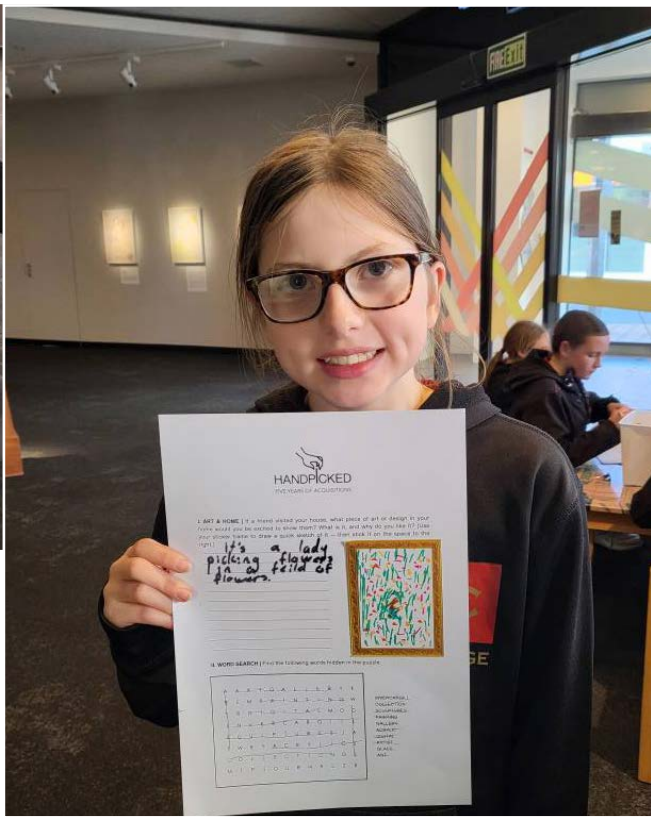
We had a great time at Miharo, learning all about Te Rau Aroha Marae and looking at how we could share our personal histories through traditional designs. Our walking tour through the CBD took us past some key places from Invercargill's history and gave us a chance to look at how they've changed over time. At He Waka Tuia we learned about how the stories of our place are collected through art collections, and created some art of our own. Invercargill Library created an awesome scavenger hunt for us where we learned about street names and had a dive into the archives. Finally, we were up the top floor of The Langlands to get a birds-eye view of our city and do some History Detectives mahi with Senga White.

We had an awesome time out and about and are looking forward to continuing to learn more about the history of our city this term!

Museum Visit

Junior Campus

He Waka Tuia welcomed the awesome Year 7 and 8 students from James Hargest College. From learning about art and collections to creating their own imaginative works, they were blown away by their creativity, storytelling, and curiosity. Ka rawe, team — you brought so much heart to the gallery! Thanks so much to the team there for having us.



Music



June is a busy time for the music department at James Hargest College with lots of different musical events happening. Things kick off with the Southland District Chamber Music Contest on Thursday June 5th at Repertory House, starting at 6:30pm. There are several groups entered with ākonga from Hēmi Hākena. Thanks to Trinity Waddell, our itinerant percussion tutor, our percussionists are very well represented. Then on Friday 13th June the Civic Theatre will host the Southland Rockquest finals. The band Brazen Fist is representing Hēmi Hākena and are a part of a line up of 18 bands and solo and duo artists. Rockquest kicks off at 7pm. The Big Sing Southland Regional Final is being held on Tuesday 17 June in First Church, and begins at 7pm. This year we are thrilled to have two choirs representing our kura. Ancora, the all comers choir which is taken by Whaea Sally, and Cantabella, a smaller auditioned chamber choir led by Mr Michael Forde. We wish all our performers well across these three events.



Music

Junior Campus

Over the last few weeks we have had both the Junior Campus Choir and the Ukulele Group go out and share music within our local community. Our Choir visited Waikiwi Gardens Retirement Home and shared some songs with the residents. We enjoyed singing

together and taking time to kōrero with the residents. The Junior Campus Ukulele Group walked down to Waverley Park School recently and had a 'Uke Jam' with their Ukulele Group. It was lovely for some of our students to catch up with familiar faces and reconnect with Waverley people. We worked on some songs together and plan to meet up again later in the year to have a Kiwileles Ukulele Jam with other local schools.

Soaking in the South: Students Discover the Charms of Stewart Island



Disembarking in Oban, the island's only settlement, the students were immediately struck by its laid-back atmosphere. Colourful houses dotted the hillside, overlooking the bustling (by Stewart Island standards) harbour. Their next stop was the Rakiura Museum, a treasure trove of artifacts and stories that brought the island's past to life. They examined old photographs of hardy pioneers, marvelled at tools used by early Māori, and gained a deeper understanding of the island's rich maritime heritage. The museum visit provided a valuable context for the landscape they were experiencing, connecting the stunning natural beauty with the human stories woven into its fabric.

With a newfound appreciation for the island's history, the students spent the afternoon exploring Oban at their own pace. They wandered along the waterfront, watching fishing boats bob gently in the harbour. Some ventured into the small shops, browsing local crafts and souvenirs, while others enjoyed a well-deserved ice cream, soaking in the peaceful ambiance. The friendly locals greeted them with warm smiles, reinforcing the sense of community that defines Stewart Island.

As the day drew to a close, the students gathered, sharing their impressions of the island. The pristine beauty of the bays, the fascinating stories unearthed at the museum, and the welcoming spirit of Oban had all left a lasting mark. This wasn't just a sightseeing trip; it was an opportunity to connect with a unique environment and a resilient community, a chance to learn about the past and appreciate the present. As the ferry prepared for its return journey, the students carried with them not just photographs and souvenirs, but a deeper understanding and a newfound appreciation for the captivating charm of Stewart Island. Their adventure in the South had just begun, leaving them eager to explore more of Rakiura's wild and wonderful secrets.





PAL's Training

Fifty Year 13 leaders recently attended a Physical Activity Leaders (PAL's) training course run by Southland Secondary Schools Sport. House Captains and Peer Support students spent a morning at Stadium Southland learning about leadership and the organisation required to plan active events. After the training session, they put their new skills to the test in the development and implementation of some fun activities. These leadership skills are important for the students when helping to run the House activities through the year including House Day and in sessions with Year 9 Form Classes during Form Time. A big thank you to Fiona Ward from Southland Secondary Schools Sport for implementing and running this valuable training for our students.



Bronco House Competition

The Bronco competition was held recently with over 100 staff and students turning out to complete the Bronco shuttle run within a limited time frame. Congratulations to Hamilton for taking out the win, closely followed by Menzies, Watson and Thomson.



Pink Shirt Day

Congratulations to Genevieve Skeggs and runner up Annie McCann, both from Year 8, Room 8 who won the tshirt design competition. JHC Raised over \$2000 for Mental Health in NZ.



Duke of Edinburgh

Riverton Training Camp

A group of enthusiastic Bronze participants took part in an action-packed training camp in Riverton this May. Despite the stormy Southland weather, spirits remained high and the group made the most of every moment. The purpose of the camp was to prepare students for the Adventurous Journey section of the Award, and it included valuable sessions on tramping, first aid, compass skills, campcraft, and plenty of fun along the way!

A big thank you to Miss Thomas for her support, and to Alexander Sandiford and Annie Tran for their fantastic assistance with the training sessions.



Indoor Bowls SSS Championships



JHC had ten students compete in the Southland Secondary Schools Indoor Bowls Champs!

We had some outstanding results
1st Lilah Jack and Aneeka Fosbender
2nd Tilly McDonald and Maddison Johnston
3rd Keeley Thornton and Emma Winder
Hargest also took home the schools' trophy!

Cross Country

Junior Campus

The Junior Campus held their annual cross country recently at the Waihopai River banks and Thomson Bush. The conditions were excellent for running and the students dressed to impress in their house colours, making for a great day out!

Congrats to our Winners:

11 year boys: Levi Q

11 year girls: Mia K

12 year boys: Sean I

12 year girls: Freya G (New School Record)

13 year boys: Craig I (New School Record)

13 year girls: Maddison S

The overall winning house was Hamilton. Thanks to all of the staff for their support on course, taking results at the finish line and getting everyone to and from the course. And to the Year 13's who came down from the Senior Campus - thanks for cheering our runners on and making the day awesome! Southland Primary Cross Country Champs are on the 13th of June in Waimumu. Congratulations to all who met the qualifying time and placed in the top six, information will be coming out to those students shortly.



Cross Country

Senior Campus

On a cool and slightly damp afternoon, a large number of students and a select group of staff, set out to conquer the JHC Senior Campus Cross Country. The hardest or maybe fittest ran the Championship Course with a slightly shorter Non-Championship Course for the rest. The results of the House Competition were 1st Thomson, 2nd Menzies, 3rd Hamilton, and 4th Watson. Congratulations to all who participated.



Cycling

Nine of our cyclists braved the cold and windy conditions to take part in the Southland/Otago Secondary Schools Road Cycling Champs at Teretonga Park.

U19 Boys

2nd Hamish Wallace (below far left)
1st Jonathan Blyth (below 2nd left)
5th Jack Madden

U17 Boys

13th Alex Borrie

U17 Girls

6th Genevieve Hare

U15 Boys

1st Zach Hibbs (below 2nd right)
3rd Sean Clark (below far right)
6th Jamie Russell
8th Joshua Robertson



Cross Country SSS Championships

The Southland Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships were held in Te Anau recently. Congratulations to all those who competed! Our top 10 place getters:

Year 9 Girls

6th= Marina Sales
9th - Trixie Campbell

Year 9 Boys

7th Charlie Turner
10th Lucas Masters

U16 Girls

4th Ellie-May Boniface
5th Alison Tweedie

U16 Boys

2nd Cayden Sanginiti
6th Logan Jordaan
7th Lucas Pemberton
8th Blaze Ridder

Senior Girls

7th Bea Christie

Senior Boys

1st Lewis Blay
5th Floyd Keach-Lowe
8th Ben Wyatt



Rugby League

The end of last term saw 3 Hargest teams take part in the Secondary Schools League 9s Rugby Tournament! Some outstanding games were played showing immense skills! Our Junior Girls team went unbeaten all day to take out their section! Our Junior Boys taking runner up to a strong Southland Boys side and our Senior Boys were 4th in the toughest section!



Archery Club

James Hargest Archery Club is up and running! The club hopes to foster the love for archery, and provide a space where members learn from each other, and grow in their archery journey. Whether you're looking for a new hobby, a way to relax and focus, or a path to competitive shooting, our Archery Club is the place for you. The club is open to Junior, and Senior Campus students. For more information please contact Mr. Kleinhans (Mr K) at the Junior Campus.



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Duke of Edinburgh Tramp to Luxmore Hut

Soaked but Smiling

Seventeen students participating in the Duke of Edinburgh programme headed off in the pouring rain to the top of a large mountain near Te Anau in Fiordland National Park. On the way up, we stopped off at the Te Anau Four Square, where we loaded up on snacks, marshmallows and chocolate. We soon began our journey, battling our way up with the noise of Ms

Smith's poles clicking and clacking away. We hiked to the top, 1085m above sea level, some faster than others.....

We warmed up inside the hut and devoured our backcountry meals. Despite the soggy shoes and jackets, the clouds (and our moods) had lifted and revealed the breathtaking alpine views making

the trip all worth it! Some students even ventured down to explore the nearby Luxmore caves, an unforgettable experience. As we ventured down the now muddy trail from the rain, we had lots of laughter (again, some more than others) when Maddy and Ms Smith slipped in the mud pit. With sore legs and hungry stomachs, we made it to the bottom, where we were delighted to see the boat waiting to take us back to the van, before heading home, we visited Miles Better Pies for a warm, hot pie on the way home, which was a highlight for many! Although this tramp was hard work, it was equally rewarding. The breathtaking views and beautiful environment made any difficulties worth it.

Thank you to Mrs Alcock and Jen Marsh for your support.

Madeleine & Lyla



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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.

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

or phone 2176129

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

or phone 2179250

E-mail Newsletters

The next newsletter will be issued via email on Friday 27 June 2025.

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 2025

Senior Campus

June

Sat-Sun	7-8	Level 2 Physics Practical Assessment
Mon	9	ShowQuest/Toi
Wed	11	Wakatipu High School Exchange at JHC
Fri	13	Japanese Trivia Night, Year 7-10, Senior Campus Hall
Sun	15	Te Hautoka
Tue	17	The Big Sing
		BOT meeting in the Brig - Senior Campus, 5:15pm
Wed-Thu	18-19	Not So Major Production
Wed	18	Smashed and Smarts
Fri	20	Matariki, school closed
Tue	24	Southland Japanese Speech Competition
Wed	25	Celebrating Excellence Ceremony, 11:30am
		Shakespeare Reading Competition
Fri	27	Haka Competition, Per 4, Gym 3
		Term 2 ends

July

Mon	14	Term 3 starts
Sun	20	Open Day
Tue	22	Tours of the school start
Wed	23	Japanese Speech Contest, Dunedin
Thu	24	Chess Tournament, Hall
Fri	25	Career Fest, Year 11 - Period 3
		Kumagaya City Hall group arrives
Mon	28	Kumagaya/International Trip to Queenstown
Wed	30	Kumagaya trip to Stadium

Junior Campus

June

Mon	9	ShowQuest /Toi
Fri	13	Japanese Trivia Night, Year 7-10, Senior Campus Hall
		Southland Cross Country Champs
Tue	17	BOT meeting in the Brig - Senior Campus, 5:15pm
Tue-Fri	17-20	Social Science Fair
Fri	20	Matariki, school closed
Fri	27	Term 2 ends

July

Mon	14	Term 3 starts
Tue	15	School enrolments open for 2026
Sun	20	Open Day
Tue	22	Parent information hui, 5:30 – 6:30pm
		Tours of the school start
Wed	23	Oamaru Exchange
Fri	25	Mihi Whakatau for Kumagaya Group

Term Dates for 2025

Term 2:

Friday 20 June: Matariki – school closed

Friday 27 June: Last day of Term 2

Term 3:

Monday 14 July: Start of Term 3

Friday 19 September: Last day of Term 3

Term 4:

Monday 6 October: Start of Term 4

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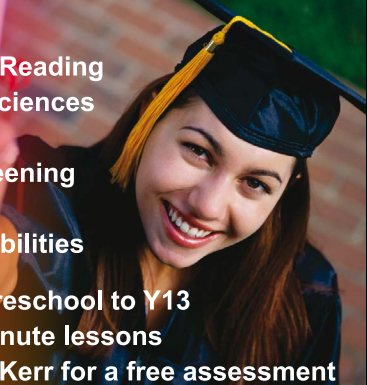


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