The background of the cover is a faded, sepia-toned photograph of Greymouth High School. The building is a large, multi-story structure with a prominent portico supported by columns. In the foreground, a large group of students is gathered on the lawn, some sitting and some standing. The overall tone is nostalgic and historical.

# YEARNBOOK

GREYMOUTH  
HIGH  
SCHOOL  
2023



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## SAMANTHA MORTIMER PRINCIPAL | TUMUAKI

Tēnā koutou katoa  
Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

Reflecting on 2023 at Greymouth High School the first thing that comes to mind is that we are truly a school for everyone in our community. This is one of the reasons that I truly love working here. Even though myself and our staff celebrate the positive successes and take the wins every day, this was not easy, especially in terms 1 and 2 of this year.

I am someone who always looks on the bright side of life but this period of time was one of the hardest I've ever experienced in education. We had a massive amount of sickness with both students and staff and on top of that there was the industrial action, which totally highlighted how few teachers we actually have available to us (even though in theory we were nearly fully staffed!)

As a strong supporter of public education, I believe that every young person deserves a great education, therefore it is vital that we attract and retain the best teachers we can in our schools. We have been so fortunate that we have been joined by some amazing teachers from other parts of NZ and overseas and even though it took over 8 months to find an excellent HOD maths - we finally did it! But despite all of this our rangatahi and our kaiako still outdid themselves and I am appreciative of everything they did.

Here my thanks go to the other four members of our senior leadership team: Jayne, Rowan, Ian and Raewyn. As I said above, this was a difficult year, but they honestly make it a pleasure to come to work every day. To be able to fully trust a team to do an amazing job with the best interests of our students, staff and the whole Māwhera community at the centre of what we do is a real privilege for me. They are also really good fun and we laugh a lot!

Thank you to the rest of our staff. Thank you to all of the teachers who did their best for our rangatahi this year and went above and beyond! Special thanks to those who stepped up and took on responsibility when they really didn't want to, but did so anyway because they wanted to support our school community. Thank you to our teacher aides who work tirelessly for our students who need a little bit more. And thank you to our support staff who make my own life so much easier, as well keep the school running smoothly. We couldn't do it without you.

### Board

Thank you to the Board. As I talk to other principals around the country it makes me appreciate more and more the support we have from our GHS Board. They give so much of their time, especially Jo Newton, our board chair. I sometimes think that the Ministry of Education forget that all of our board have full time jobs and their own lives! But we have the best kind of board because the success of all of our students is at the heart of what they do.

I also would like to thank our current board members: Jo Newton (Board Chair), Adrian Perrin-Smith-Kahl, Raelene Johnson, Moira Janzen, Ryan Mackenzie, Leevy Lancaster, Joe Mason and Kiri Russell.

### PTA

Thanks to our Parent Teachers Association who supported us in so many ways throughout the year including with the ball and the leavers dinner. We are really looking forward to growing our numbers next year and developing our work for the best of our school.

### Ngāti Waewae

We have continued our work with Ariana Stevens and we are really appreciative of her enthusiasm, knowledge and the way she creates learning opportunities throughout this professional learning provision. We are looking forward to continuing this journey of working towards being culturally responsive with our rangatahi and with our community.

### 100 years of Greymouth High School

As I look back over the last 100 years I am amazed at the differences between then and now, but also the similarities. There are a lot of new buildings and exciting things happening on our grounds, including our new outdoor basketball and netball courts and playground! We have embraced massive changes in technology and you will be able to see that as you walk around as well as every one of our students having a Chromebook. Buildings may change, technology may change but kids are still kids! Full of potential, full of energy, sometimes pushing the boundaries, but usually full of life! I urge you to watch our documentary "An Ocean of Many Waves" with interviews of past students and if you didn't agree that kids are still kids before, you definitely will after!

The whakataukī "Ka mua, ka muri" which can roughly translate into "walking backwards into the future" is apt here. It is important that we look to the past to inform the future and our centenary celebrations remind us of this.

### **My key highlights of 2023**

- Giving back is a very important quality I look for in people and I loved that our senior students gave back by organising our school ball and events like the junior dance and haunted house!
- Our Māwhera Services Academy's march out which took place on our new outdoor courts with a large number of junior students watching. Our MSA students, with support from Staff, organised the entire event and that made it even more special.
- All of our sports teams who went on tournament week. We sent so many teams which was so impressive. I really believe that tournament week is such a great experience to learn how to win and how to lose. I am a very competitive person but one thing I know is that how you lose and what you learn from losing is really what makes you into a great winner. Tournament week also teaches you how to get on with people in close proximity even when you don't want to!
- Our kapa haka group performing at the Tai Poutini Kapa Haka Festival in Reefton. They brought tears to my eyes and the wairua hit me straight in my heart. Our senior kapa haka students led the way and I really thank them for that.
- Our Trades Academy model here on the Coast is amazing and it is my absolute pleasure to be the lead principal. There are so many opportunities for so many of our students. I am especially proud that we can offer places for our supported learning students, as everyone deserves the opportunity to have a fantastic educational experience.
- Our Science fair and Grey High students who won the top year 9 prize on the West Coast.
- Our junior trips to Fulton Hogan, Pamu Farm, Nature Economy Pathways Day Out among others, to have a look at the many opportunities for work here on the West Coast and what you need to do at school to be offered these jobs.
- Trees for Change. While not officially a part of Grey High, I still consider them to be as most of them attend our school! Massive congratulations for winning the West Coast Young Enterprise Regional Excellence Award! This meant all of the students involved and their tutors Lara Thompson and Lauren Evans went to the National Finals in Wellington, representing the West Coast and won!
- Our chess team winning the top West Coast chess prize and then a team with a number of juniors in it going to Nationals in Auckland

### **Staff**

Our staff are continuing to work really hard to ensure all of our students find success whatever success looks like for them and their whānau.

In 2023 we welcomed at the beginning of the year

- Susie Gilroy - Art, English and QWest
- Nic Petty - Maths
- Laura Starling - English
- Clairol Tiden - Maths
- Ann Zachan - English
- And we welcomed back Sian Utton - English!

Throughout the year we welcomed:

- Ella Peneamene - Technology
- Lehanri Kirton - Technology
- Raja Selvasagar - Science
- McDonald Mugonapanja - Science

In 2023 we said goodbye and good luck in their future endeavours to several of our staff.

- Morag Newbury who retired
- Ciaran Tangney who moved overseas to teach
- Manu Somerville who is moving to Austria
- David McTaggart joining St Kentigern in Auckland
- Bernard Adams who is going to the Rudolf Steiner School in Christchurch

### **Looking forward to 2024**

I am looking forward to my first year at Grey High without any disruptions, well without any major disruptions. My key goal is to focus on our rangatahi and our teaching and learning. We will be continuing to work towards embedding a relational learning culture in our school so we can continue to find success for everyone whatever success looks like for them and their whānau.

### **Relational Learning Culture**

We see relational learning culture as our overarching practice and underneath it sits:

- Restorative practice
- Cultural capabilities with Ngāti Waewae
- Hikairo schema (Angus and Sonja McFarlane)
- Teaching to the NE (Russell Bishop)
- Positive Behaviour for Learning

In conclusion, I have had another fantastic year and I am looking forward to everyone striving for success - whāia te iti kahurangi in 2024!

Ngā mihi nui  
Samantha Mortimer  
Principal | Tumuaki



# JO NEWTON BOARD CHAIR

Tena Koutou, Tena Koutou, Tena tatou katoa, nau mai, haere mai ki te tonga homai o te kura tuarua o Māwhera

It is my privilege on behalf of your Board to reflect on what has been another year of growth, achievement and resilience. Te kura tuarua o Māwhera, Greymouth High School: The Heart of Learning in our thriving community.

Firstly I would like to acknowledge the tireless mahi of our staff. We have a large team at Greymouth High that ensure our place keeps learners at the centre, provides for excellent teaching and learning and enables barrier-free access.

Sam, as the leader of our school, we so appreciate your passion and commitment to ensuring we walk the talk and live our values. Sam holds the vision clear for our school while navigating the pathways with care, kindness and clarity. She is a strong leader in her own right while thriving in developing leadership capacity in those around her. I couldn't do my role as Chair without the open, robust conversations we have that have learners at the very centre of everything.

To our exceptional ākonga, we are so proud of you. Tonight we celebrate all of you, some up here on the stage, others through achievements we hear about through our newsletters, around the Board table and in conversations with your teachers and whānau. Greymouth High School values success in all of its diversity. The qualities that shine through to us as a Board and your community are your perseverance, adaptability and kindness.

Ensuring you have access to the career pathways you want to are vital as are the skills that will enable you to thrive in our communities beyond school. Our school feels good to be in and part of and that is because of you all.

Whānau - we can't do this without you. Whether it be supporting our sports teams, cultural events or providing a supportive environment at home to challenge and guide your teens - these things all shape our young people. In order to grow and learn in all areas we need our ākonga here at school, every day. Our world is a complex place, we don't know all the answers but as the adults around our young people, we hold space for them to make mistakes, grow and to have those important conversations that help them make sense of things that can feel overwhelming.

Looking ahead, the Board are committed to supporting Sam and her team to create learning environments that support our young people. It is hard to keep track of the number of ways we do learning in our place and that is an enviable position to be in!

Ngā mihi for your support. Kei ōu ringaringa te ao: The world is yours

No reira

Tena Koutou, tena koutou, tena tatou katoa.



**Top row L - R: Adrian Perrin-Smith-Kahl, Leevy Lancaster, Ryan MacKenzie, Joe Mason, Kiri Russell and Elaine Bruce**  
**Front row L- R: Jo Newton, Samantha Mortimer, Moira Janzen and Raelene Johnson.**



# ASHLEIGH WILLIAMS PTA CHAIR



## PTA Chairperson's Report 2023

This year we said goodbye to two PTA members whose children have finished their secondary education at Grey High. We welcomed three new members who have taken over the Secretary, Treasurer and Chairperson roles. We also had a couple of casual members drop in on meetings here and there throughout the year. It's always lovely to meet other parents and have a chat (and some bikkies). We hope to see some new faces next year as well. It's been great to hear from the HoD's about their subjects and what students are studying, as well hearing from the principal about areas of change and progress throughout the school.

This year we were pleased to help with funding the short film project for the Greymouth High School 100th anniversary. We also paid for new kapa haka uniforms, subsidised the senior end of year dinner, and donated to the Trees for Change students. As we do each year, we donated some funds to purchase essential items for students in need. Our members helped with the senior school ball as they do each year, running the cloak room and assisting with set-up. We also lent a helping hand at the senior prize-giving supper.

Raffles are typically our main source of fundraising. We held a raffle table at the reunion event; it was lovely to chat to ex-students of all ages. We also held a raffle table at New World for two days in September, and this was our largest source of fundraising for the year. A big thanks to all the parents and friends who volunteered to sit on the raffle table; we couldn't do it without you, and we really appreciate you taking a few hours out of your day for it.

The PTA would like to extend our best wishes to all of this year's school leavers who are moving on into the next stage of their lives. May your future adventures be full of growth, joy, and success.

Ashleigh Williams  
PTA Chairperson 2023





# HEAD BOY NIKAU DYMOND



**Tūngia te ururua kia tipu whakaritorito te tupu o te harakeke: Clear the undergrowth, so that the new harakeke shoots may grow.**

It is our time to move on, your tuakana, your Student Leaders, your Year 13s. But as we make our haerenga away from life in this kura, we leave room for you to grow in our absence. It is your turn to tautoko and make the most of what this kura has to offer.

School life began for me at quite the distinguished institution - I was very popular there too, seeing as everyone knew who I was during my time at Barrytown School among the numerous other students; 16 to be exact. I was practically a celebrity. Coming from such a small rural kura, I didn't expect there to be much more to the next 13 years of my life than climbing trees, hanging out with friends and the odd basic facts. But I must've lacked imagination, because after primary school, Te Kura Tuarua O Mawhera had so much in store for me.

I may not have the best idea about what 'normal' schooling is like at our kura, given the state of the last four years of our school life. But from the odd patches that I would say have been my status quo, Grey High has offered me a lot to appreciate. For instance our Māori pathway, Ngā Here Kahikatea, has allowed me to embrace my whakapapa and learn about Te Reo and Te Ao Māori all within Te Whare Akoranga. Something I haven't seen at any other school. And even if our school doesn't offer a subject, you can get all the support you need to learn through correspondence. Trust me, it's well worth it.

This year has been another interesting one, kicking off with the teacher strikes and rostering home. How dare our wonderful, hard-working, and totally deserving teachers want more reasonable pay. Way to ruin my year, jeez. Regardless, 2023 has been a difficult year for teachers and students alike. But we survived! Trudging through this year there have been highlights and celebrations along the way. At the end of Term 1, we had the centennial of Greymouth High School. That saw the return of more than a hundred ex-students, and a few current ones too. Not only this, but the 2023 Ball and semi-formal were a huge success. Mrs Mortimer, "The Junior ball this year was great, we've only seen a few tears, unlike past years". This year we had an astounding 160 year 9s to add to it too.

It really has been an experience to remember as your head student for 2023.



# HEAD GIRL

## JESSICA BECKFORD



As many have mentioned before me, it feels a bit weird to be writing this as I finish my time as a student at Greymouth High School, let alone as a student leader. Reflecting back on 2023 as one of your Head Students, I have been lucky to have worked alongside some other great people in our leadership team - they've been a constant source of amusement, and encouragement, in tough times.

Way back in the fresh, rejuvenated days of February, I don't really think anyone could have predicted the disruption the year would bring. It's not something you can prepare yourself for. After four years of a global pandemic, we still faced other disruptions, affecting teachers and students alike. We haven't really experienced a 'normal' school year for the majority of our time at high school. It is important to recognize these challenges, and celebrate the hard work and resilience everyone showed to get through - it is genuinely an achievement in itself!

However, amongst those challenges it's important to remember the good times.

As a school community, we've had many successful moments - whether it be at tournament week or events like the Senior Ball. The student council were able to pull off some really great events, such as the Junior Semi-formal or our Halloween Haunted House, alongside some great fundraisers.

The student leadership team also created some new traditions. This ANZAC Day, the student leaders took part in our Mawhera Services Academy's own Dawn Service, with the Head Students reading 'The Ode' in both Te reo Māori and English, alongside attending the Greymouth ceremony later on. We were also involved in the MSA's March Out, alongside more of our school, which I believe was important as it builds a stronger sense of community in our school. I'd like to give a special mention to Sean Bain and Staff Lomey for working to make this change happen.

This year also marked the 100th anniversary of Greymouth High School. The celebration back in April brought together numerous ex-students from up to 70+ years ago. The experience was a great opportunity to connect with the past generations, our similarities and differences, and instilled an appreciation of our history - a history that we are now a part of.

Now, even though 'thank yous' at the end of speeches can be a bit tedious, it really is important to highlight the efforts everyone has made to support us all throughout the year. First of all I would like to thank all the staff - teachers, Deans, SLT, and other staff - for putting in so much work into supporting and inspiring us to aim high and achieve to be the best versions of ourselves throughout the years. I'd also like to mention the PTA and Board of Trustees, constantly working behind the scenes. I think it is obvious when I say we all hugely appreciate the time and effort you put into improving our school. Lastly, a big thank you to Mrs Smith, who - although she had many other commitments - would go the extra mile to consistently support and encourage the student leadership team and council throughout the year, we really couldn't have done it without you.

Whether your future pathway is here at Greymouth High School, or somewhere else, try and make the time to learn more, do more, and become more. School isn't solely a learning environment, whether it be academics, sports, the arts, and so on. It's a place to build fundamental social and life skills to help you become ready for the wider world adults like to call 'reality'. It becomes part of your identity, your history, and I'm proud to say I've come from this small school on the West Coast.

It has been an honor growing up with many of you over the past 5 or so years, let alone representing you as a Head Student this year. Congratulations on finishing yet another school year, I wish you all the best and good luck for your future.



# CAMERON DICKEY

## DEPUTY HEAD BOY

Tēnā koutou katoa  
Ko Pirongia te māunga  
Ko Waikato te awa  
Ko Tainui te waka  
Ko Ngāti Maniapoto me Ngāti Waikato  
Tainui te iwi  
Ko Ngāti Mahuta te hapū  
Ko Maketū te marae  
Ko Dickey tōku whānau  
Ko Cameron tōku ingoa  
Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā  
koutou katoa



As we commemorate our 100th year of Greymouth High School, it has become clear our school has aged like fine wine (or more appropriately a well-aged cheese). As we celebrate the class of 2023 at GHS, we look back at our past five years and the challenges we have navigated to get here. These complications we endured have included a global pandemic, teacher's striking and most gruelling, having my mum work at this school. In the midst of it all, I as the deputy head boy have seen some pretty awesome things, met some pretty awesome people and have done some pretty awesome things.

Coming from Karoro Primary was a massive transition with the number of people I see everyday, suddenly tripling in size. It was daunting for little Year 9 Cammy, but I took it in my stride, I did more school work, I got in more trouble, and I made more friends. My first basketball tournament was what I would call "an experience" with our team streaking naked through the Top 10 holiday camp in Dunedin and then getting knocked out at a game the next day. Greyhigh has shown me a range of these unique experiences shaping me into the strange person I am today. Looking back at the last few years, attending Greymouth High School has been an amazing experience and I truly believe that we are awarded more opportunities than larger, more urban schools. This school has better teacher-student and student-student relationships than any other big fancy rich people school, because of our close knit environment, giving the opportunity for us to strive for success and not take anything for granted.

Most importantly I want to say a gargantuan thank you to all the staff that have supported our cohort over the years and powering through whatever nonsense we have thrown at you. I believe another huge thank you is in order for all the student leaders and student council that have supported me in this position over the last year. Thanks guys, it's been phenomenal.

Haere rā,  
Cameron Dickey

Ki uta tārei ai, ki tai rewa ai: Prepared onshore to sail at sea

# ISAIAH CAMERON PŪMANAWA

KIA ORA

KO ISAIAH TOKU INGOA

**I was pūmanawa this year, and I am going to be your pūmanawa in 2024. Here, I am going to share some of the highlights of my time as pūmanawa at Grey High.**



## **Highlight #1 Whenua Iti**

Whenua Iti is an outdoor education programme in Motueka with a Te Ao Māori focus. For Whenua Iti, you go out for four days without your phone. We visited places that had Māori history, and learned the pūrākau or stories of those places. We traveled in big double hulled waka around to Rakauaroa, or Anchorage. This special area is also the Abel Tasman track.

It felt really good to have a break from the phone and from social media. I got to really connect with the people I went with, and to connect more with Māori culture and the outdoors.

## **Highlight #2 Kapa haka**

Our kapa haka team this year was really fun, and it was my first time actually competing. In 2022 we were just participating, but this year we were in to win! I was kaitakitane for the group, along with Nikau Prendergast. Being up on stage was awesome, and the whole experience was a lot of fun.

## **Highlight #3 Māu rakau**

Mau rakau is the art of Māori weaponry skills. We practice skills with rakau and then taiaha. Our kaiako for Mau rakau are Matua Jerry Pu and Matua Jack Bolton. We have been working on our mau rakau skills since the beginning of 2023. Recently we have had several full day mau rakau wananga. This is very helpful as we get more time to learn and to get our skills exactly right.

In conclusion, our kura offers a lot of opportunities to learn in Te Ao Māori. Whenua Iti, kapa haka and mau rakau are three opportunities that have helped me grow at Grey High as a proud and successful Māori student. I would like to thank three people who have made these events possible in our school: Whaea Kylie Bellis, Matua Joe Mason and Whaea Kiri Russell.

No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.



# ETHAN PARSONS

## STUDENT COUNCIL CHAIR



**BEING THE STUDENT COUNCIL CHAIR THIS YEAR WAS BOTH A PRIVILEGE AND A CHALLENGE.**

While I can say that after running for Head Student in 2022, being the Chair wasn't something I had seen myself doing. That said, I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve the school in a unique way. Throughout the year every second week on a Tuesday, in the drama room the Council convened to discuss issues new and old, something that I believe represents the great potential of student voice. We set mufti days, organised fundraisers and sausage sizzles and brought issues such as recurring problems with maintenance.

Unfortunately I believe that the full potential of the Council was not met this year, we had set back after set back, a lot of last minute planning and a lack of junior representation. But that does not change my opinion that the Council is important. I believe that despite the year that was handed to us, with covid, strikes and other internal issues we persevered and came out the other side older and wiser. It's an experience I will not forget, and something that I will carry with me for the rest of my life, probably because it was painfully challenging at times.

I would like to thank Mrs Smith, who stuck with me and the Council through the rough times and never ceased to pull a magic trick out of the hat. Can't say any of us were perfect and I definitely had moments where I was ready to throw in the towel. For all the future Student Council Chairs and Co-Chairs my biggest piece of advice is to get people engaged in meetings, don't make a meeting all about you, it's about everyone equally. Representation is key, and it's what the Council is all about.

The biggest accomplishment of my year as the Student Council Chair was the Junior Semi Formal. It was a great night which I thoroughly enjoyed facilitating. It was great to see everyone dressed up nicely and breaking out their best (or worst) dance moves. And hopefully this will inspire some of you year 9s and 10s to come along and get involved with Student Council and determine the next Semi Formal theme. Not to mention the decorations, playlist and a host of other important parts. And to all of my fellow Councillors who regularly attended meetings, staffed sausage sizzles and fundraisers, helped with the Semi Formal, and just generally provided their valuable help and insight, thank you so much. It would not be possible to have a Council without you all. I know that I wasn't the best Chair at times, and I was a stubborn and difficult person to work with on occasion which makes your attendance and involvement even more valuable.

God bless, and have a good 2024.

# SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

<b>Award for Top Student Year 11</b>	Emil Fischer
<b>Award for Top Student Year 12</b>	Dakota Robins
<b>The Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award</b>	Ethan Shields
<b>Proxime Accessit - Melse Cup</b>	Nikau Dymond
<b>The Harley Award for Tertiary Study. The Rotary Prize, The James Hutton Prize &amp; Dux of the School for 2023</b>	Marly Shenouda

## YEAR 11 ACADEMIC EFFORT WITH DISTINCTION

Reid Anderson	Ethan Jane	Quinn Palmer
Rhys Anderson	Elsie Johnstone	Alisha Parsons
Aamaria Beal	Farhan Khairati	Arielle Perchig-Gibli
Jacob Bull	Fariyah Khan	Vadim Pinkerton
Myha Coleman	Adison Kilkelly	Callahan Raynor
Rhys Dumelow	Niah King	Angelina Robinson
Emil Fischer	Leevy Lancaster	Marlin Rushby
Jess Gallant	Ryan MacKenzie	Jemma Russ
Florence Gully	Georgia Maclean	Seamus Sheehan-Priest
Thomas Hardie	Isabelle Maiava	Jacob Speakman
Jorja Harris	Seth Manning	Alex Staiger
Tori Hartill	Phoebe Marris	Jasmine Stevenson
Katherine Hoyte	Jason McCracken	Charlie Taylor
Wairini Iraia	Alex Mills	Miro Turley-West

## YEAR 12 ACADEMIC EFFORT WITH DISTINCTION

Harvilla Barrow	Hannah Hsieh	Jade Philpot
Delaney Black	Caysey Johnson	Mia Prendergast
Reagan Boniface	Hannah Kelsall	Jake Priebe
Richell Cunanan	Zara Kirk-Pont	Iris Reynolds
Sasha Ellery	Dylan Kolesky	Dakota Robins
Brigid Gallagher	Morgan McComb	Rata Rushby
Mackenzie Gibson-Ewen	Cayden Miller	Harvey Tacon
Rata Gurney	Kacey Oosthuysen	Harrison Whittaker
Dylan Holliday		

## YEAR 13 ACADEMIC EFFORT WITH DISTINCTION

Charlotte Allison	Rivir Crombie	Ella Mahuika
Miller Anderson	Cam Dickey	Richard Meek
Cypress Axford	Nikau Dymond	Sarah Parker
Jessie Baatjies	Kaleb Farmer	Ethan Parsons
Jessica Beckford	Phoenix Fowler	Kaleb Poulton
Liam Belcher	Caitlyn Gallant	Marly Shenouda
Allen Black	Matthew Hoyte	Ty Wall
Will Black	Raihan Khairati	Caitlan Williams
Kaede Cowan		



## SUPPORTED LEARNING PROGRAMMES

Most Diligent Student	Jaese Franklin
SPEC Certificate	Kirsty Fayen

## INDIVIDUAL PRIZES

### SPORT

James Hutton Cup and Sportsperson of the Year	Harvey Tacon
Sports Excellence Medal	Reagan Boniface Sasha Ellery Emil Fischer Elsie Johnstone Grace Rhodes Dakota Robins Harvey Tacon Harrison Whittaker
Cook Family Cup-All Round Sports Person	Harrison Whittaker
Sports Team of the Year	Squash Team
Fair Play Award	Phoenix Fowler
The Jonathon Keene Spirit Award: School Values	Messiah Taurima-Leach

### BUSINESS

Thorn Cup - For Excellence in Business Studies Year 11	Phoebe Marris
Trust Power West Coast Rotary Club Lends a Hand Foundation Excellence in Business Studies Level 2	Richelle Cunanan Mackenzie Gibson-Ewen
Top Student Level 3 - Excellence in Business Studies Cup	Liam Belcher

### LANGUAGES

Keri Hulme Trophy - Top Year 11 English	Georgia McLean Lily Shaw-Jeff
Eleanor Catton Trophy - Top Year 12 English	Hannah Hsieh
Jeffrey Paparoa Holman Cup for Top student - Year 13 English	Ty Wall
Barbara Cowan Cup for Excellence in Senior Writing	Hannah Hsieh
Peter Hooper Award for Creative Writing	Awarded
Paul Caffyn Award for Non Fiction Writing	Ella Mahuika
Award for Tikanga Māori	Zyah Karena Isabelle Maiava
Kia kaha kia u - Award for Te Reo Māori	Isabelle Maiava

### MATHEMATICS

Euler Cup - Top Student Level 1 Mathematics	Arielle Perchig-Gibli
Hypation Cup - Top Student Year 12 Mathematics & Statistics	Reagan Boniface
Poisson Cup - Top Student Statistics	Marly Shenouda
Leibniz Cup - Top Student Calculus	Nikau Dymond

# SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Top Student Level 1 Physical Education Cup	Emil Fischer
Top Student Level 2 Physical Education Cup	Reagan Boniface
Top Student Level 3 Allan Davies Physical Education Cup	Kaede Cowan
Top Student Level 1 Health Cup	Leevy Lancaster
Top Student Level 2 Health Cup	Reagan Boniface
Top Student Level 3 Health Cup	Kaede Cowan

## THE ARTS

Top Student Level 1 Art	Georgia Maclean
Top Student Level 2 Art	Rata Gurney Hannah Hsieh
Top Student Level 3 Art	Jessie Baatjies
The Art Prize Prize	Phoenix Fowler
Top Student Level 1 Drama	Callahan Raynor
Top Student Level 2 Drama	Lailani Weil
Joan Coxon Drama Cup for Service and Performance	Rata Gurney
Top Student Level 1 Music	Vadim Pinkerton
Top Student Level 2 Music	Jake Priebe
Top Student Level 3 Music	Jessie Baatjies
The Dane Wafer Award for Music Composition	Ayesha Berry-Barnes
The Wicks Prize for Music	Jessie Baatjies
Top Student Level 2 Photography	Chanel Allison
Top Student Level 3 Photography	Phoenix Fowler
The Stewart Nimmo Award for Photography	Phoenix Fowler
Top Student Level 1 Creative Industry	Florence Gully Elsie Johnstone
Top Student Level 2 Creative Industry	Rata Gurney
Top Student Level 3 Creative Industry	Will Black

## SCIENCES

Top Student Level 1 Earth Space and Science	Lily Shaw-Jeff
McGirr Trophy – Top Student Level 2 Earth Space and Science	Dakota Robins
Tangney Trophy – Top Student Level 3 Earth Space and Science	Arly Bellis
Top Student Level 1 General Science	Jacob Bull
McKinley Cup - Top Student Level 2 Biology	Sasha Ellery
Roney Family Cup - Year 13 Biology	Marly Shenouda
Top Student Level 2 Chemistry Cup	Sasha Ellery
Top Student Level 3 Chemistry Cup	Nikau Dymond
Top Student Year 12 Physics Cup	Iris Reynolds
Top Student Year 13 Physics Cup	Nikau Dymond



## SOCIAL SCIENCES

Top Student Level 1 Geography	Emil Fischer
Roney Cup - Top Student Year 12 Geography	Hannah Kelsall
Hannan & Seddon Cup - Year 13 Geography	Caitlyn Gallant
Top Student Level 1 History	Arielle Perchig-Gibli
Maverick Cup – Top Student Year 12 History	Sasha Ellery
Firebrand Cup - Year 13 History	Caitlyn Gallant
Top Student Level 2 Classics	Hannah Hsieh
Top Student Level 3 Classics	Marly Shenouda
Top Student Level 2 Psychology	Milan Jamieson
Top Student Level 3 Psychology	Marly Shenouda
Top Student Level 2 Tourism	Jade Philpot
Top Student Level 3 Tourism	Caitlyn Gallant
Top Student for Education for Sustainability Level 1	Adison Kilkelly
Top Student for Education for Sustainability Level 2	Delaney Black
Papa Taiao Kaitiakitanga Environmental Sustainability Leadership Award	Isaiah Sheehan-Priest

## TECHNOLOGY

Westland Engineering Prize Level 1	Thomas Hardie
Westland Engineering Prize Level 2	Liam Irvine
Top Engineering Student	Jack Topliss
Top Student Level 1 Hospitality Prize	Ryan MacKenzie
Top Student Level 2 Hospitality Trophy	Havilla Barrow
Top Student Level 1 Furniture and Design	Georgia Maclean
Top Student Level 2 Furniture and Design	Dylan Kolesky
Top Student Digital Technologies Level 1	Vadim Pinkerton
Jennian Homes Trophy - Top Student Digital Technologies Level 2	Nathan Johnson
The Birchfield Award - Top Digital Technologies Student	Arielle Perchig-Gibli

## CAREER SERVICES

Alistair Bromley Trophy – Most Determined to Succeed	Jahara Duncan
Allan Wilson Most Improved Student - Māwhera Services Academy	Kharma Irvine
Meihana Award for Top Academic - Māwhera Services Academy	Lara Cleghorn
MSA Dress and Bearing	Sean Bain
P Woods Cup for Academic Effort	Seamus Sheehan-Priest
Top Gateway Student Year 11	Kahlo Dymond
Top Gateway Student Year 12	Kaleb Steel
Top Gateway Student Year 13	Anya Williams
Top Student Rapuara Careers Level 2	Brodie Goldwater
Top Student Rapuara Careers Level 3	Sarah Parker

# SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

## SERVICE

Principal's Award for School Service Head Boy	Nikau Dymond
Principal's Award for School Service Head Girl	Jessica Beckford
Principal's Award for School Service - Deputy Head Boy	Cameron Dickey
Award for Student Arts Leader	Jessie Baatjies
Award for Service to School Council	Miller Anderson Ethan Parsons
Award for Service to Board of Trustees	Richard Meek Arielle Perchig-Gibli
Award for Sport Leader	Liam Gurden
Award for Service to Peer Support	Ty Wall
Award for Service to Māori Students - Pūmanawa	Isaiah Cameron
The Bowes Family Award	Charlotte Allison
House Leader Kahurangi	Phoenix Fowler
House Leader Rata	Sean Bain
House Leader Tawa	Gracelia Courage
Te Tohu o Whakawhanaungatanga	Ethan Parsons
The Kapa Haka Leadership Award	Zyah Karena
House Shield	Kahurangi
Evelyn Cooper Award for Tertiary Study	Nikau Dymond
The Rotary Scholarship	Cam Dickey Ella Mahuika
Student Volunteer Army - Top Volunteer Award	Ryan MacKenzie

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Award For Top Year 11 Student	Emil Fischer
Award for Top Year 12 Student	Dakota Robins
The Prime Ministers Vocational Excellent Award	Ethan Shields
Proxime Accessit - Melse Cup	Nikau Dymond
The Harley Award for Tertiary Study. The Rotary Prize, The James Hutton Prize & Dux of the School for 2023	Marly Shenouda

















# JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING

## YEAR 9 ACADEMIC EFFORT WITH DISTINCTION

Klaudia Anderson	Arliah Houston	Sharlotte Palenski
Nate Anderson	Finnegan Irvine	Jesse Papa
Penny Anderson	Hannah Irvine	Luke Pascoe
Cara Bull	Chavonne Jordaan	Zigh Pinkerton
Morj Butler	Charli Kerr	Korban Pope
Hannah Claassen	Charlotte Koopman	Noah Pritchard
Madison Cousins	Matthew Lee	Hayley Reading
Amelia Crook	Libbie Macklin	Tai Rushby
Harper De Goldi	Eden Maiava	Alicia Shaw
Cameron Detlaff	Danica Marusich	Mikayla Shaw
Atawhai Dickson	Hayden Matheson	Harrison Sweeney
Casey Ellery	Ashlee-Rose Matthews	Aiden Sydenham
Lilly Englebreetsen	Katelyn McCracken	Jemma Taylor
Pippa Fahey	Lochie Mills	Molly Taylor
Gaitau Faulkner	Kyah Moore	Karmi Van Heerden
Jarna Franicevich	Kyle Murphy	Meka Whyte
Mylee Gibson	Levi Newburn	Lukas Williams
Johanna Groot	Emma Newton	Tahlia Williams-Green
Eleanor Harrington	Amelia North	

## YEAR 10 ACADEMIC EFFORT WITH DISTINCTION

Jordyn Austin	Briar Hutchinson	Jack Perrin-Smith-Kahl
Emma Ballingall	Victoria Hutt	Hazel Prouting
Millah Boniface	Harlem Keown	Indi Robins
Rhylee Clow	Trinity Knipe	Kaden Surman
George Cronin	Ruby Jackson	Neve Tacon
Abbie Dey	Samuel Lowe	Brennan Thomas
Addie Fairweather	Harry Lucas	Solly Turley-West
Amie Ford	Zita Ludick	Breanna Turnbull
Zac Gallant	Pyper Mahuika	Ahi Twyman
Lily Gamble-Smith	Noah Marris	Ashley Weir
Kyah Gibson	Alexander Mason	Sophie Whittaker
Seth Guile	Jodi McKeown	Caprice Wood
Miro Gurney	Molly Meek	Maddisyn Wood
Miller Hayden	Jacob Negri	Ava Wynd
Hannah Hopkins	Zoe Oates	
Miro Horrox	Lachlan Oliver	



## YEAR 9 TOP STUDENT IN SUBJECT AWARD

<b>Aotearoa Studies</b>	Madison Cousins
<b>English</b>	Klaudia Anderson
<b>Mathematics</b>	Seif Abozeid
<b>Physical Education and Health</b>	Lily Englebretsen
<b>Qwest</b>	Seif Abozeid
<b>Science</b>	Emma Newton
<b>Turuki</b>	Jonathan Seifert

## YEAR 10 TOP STUDENT IN SUBJECT AWARD

<b>English</b>	Sophie Whittaker
<b>Global Studies</b>	Molly Meek
<b>Mathematics</b>	Molly Meek
<b>Physical Education and Health</b>	Sophie Whittaker
<b>Qwest</b>	Seth Guile
<b>Science</b>	Miro Horrox

## SPECIAL AWARDS

<b>Barbara Cowan Cup for Excellence in Junior Writing</b>	Atawhai Dickson
<b>Mathematics Competition</b>	Seif Abozeid
<b>Weekly Note Overall Term 4 Winner - Year 9</b>	Matthew Lee
<b>Weekly Note Overall Term 4 Winner - Year 10</b>	Addie Fairweather
<b>Weekly Note Most Improved MVP for Term 4 - Year 9</b>	Kiana Cook
<b>Weekly Note Most Improved MVP for Term 4 - Year 10</b>	Weylah DeSeymour
<b>Ferguson Cup</b>	Pyper Mahuika
<b>Sporting Excellence Medal</b>	Casey Ellery Pyper Mahuika Lachlan Oliver Neve Tacon Breanna Turnbull
<b>Junior Sports Team of the Year</b>	Junior Netball Team
<b>Junior Sports Person of the Year</b>	Casey Ellery

## TOP STUDENTS 2023

<b>Top Student Year 9</b>	Emma Newton
<b>Top Student Year 10</b>	Miro Horrox















**In 2023 over 100 Greymouth High School students studied a range of trades courses, including: Automotive, Mechanical Engineering, Building & Construction, Agriculture, Cookery, Cafe Skills, Manaaki Tapoi, Hair & Beauty, Adventure Leadership, Uniformed Services, Civil Defence, Computer Programming and Conservation and Earthcare.**

Senior students excelled in their chosen programmes gaining practical work skills and trade skill development while achieving NCEA qualifications. The West Coast Trades Academy is a great link between secondary school and work opportunities, or further study. Our programmes allow students to explore trade careers with hands-on learning throughout the school year and identify further training or study options.

#### **2023 Highlights:**

Alongside our students academic success in their chosen programmes, there were some great community initiatives with students stepping out of their comfort zones!



Our Building & Construction Year One students gifted a picnic table they made to the Lions Club of Greymouth, which was placed in Cobden at the old cemetery area for visitors to enjoy.



The Cookery Year One & Two students baked up a storm for two separate fundraisers. Cupcakes for the Cancer Society, and Focaccia Buns for the Buller High School Breakfast Club.



Our Employment & Life Skills crew stepped right out of their comfort zones with some ziplining fun and experiencing new heights!



## National Award Success!

### Papa Taiao Conservation and Earthcare Nursery Production- The Young Enterprise Scheme Awards.

A special mention to the students who were a part of this course, creating and developing a successful business, "Trees for Change." The crew have grown over 10,000 trees and secured thousands of dollars worth of contracts to help people connect with te taiao, the earth, through planting native trees, with a vision to grow a healthier world. There are two branches to their business, the social enterprise wing supplying tree's for large scale community plantings and the commercial division, selling trees to the general public.

Tree's for Change not only won the West Coast section of the Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme but they then attended the National awards ceremony in Wellington and won the 2023 Young Enterprise Scheme Company of the Year as well as a National Excellence Award in Sales and Marketing. We are hugely proud of this group of entrepreneurs creating a successful business showcasing conservation on a national scale.



### Tai Poutini Polytechnic, Te Pūkenga Scholarship

In 2023 Tai Poutini Polytechnic sponsored a West Coast Trades Academy Training Scholarship of \$1,000 to assist a WC Trades Academy student to study at TPP during 2023. The money can be credited towards courses-related costs or expenses.

The scholarship is awarded to a Trades Academy high school student who: Has demonstrated a high level of achievement in their Trades Academy programme in 2023, is committed to developing a career in their elected Trades Academic course of study; and wishes to pursue further training and education at TPP. Well done Liam Irvine, the recipient of this scholarship.



### Greymouth High School 2023 Trades Academy Award Winners:

Congratulations to all Greymouth High School Trades Academy students of 2023. Many of you are embarking on a new journey, gaining employment or moving onto further study. We wish you all the very best for your bright futures. We look forward to welcoming our returning and new students to our programmes for 2024!

## STUDENT OF THE YEAR

<b>Agriculture Year 1</b>	James Van der Geest
<b>Automotive Year 1</b>	Tyler Spence
<b>Automotive Year 2</b>	Liam Irvine
<b>Building Year 2</b>	Jorgen Keil
<b>Hair and Beauty Year 1</b>	Brook Smith
<b>Hair and Beauty Year 2</b>	Zara Kirk-Pont
<b>Manaaki Tāpoi Level 2</b>	Isabelle Maiava
<b>Employment &amp; Life Skills</b>	Jaese Franklin
<b>Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 2</b>	Delaney Black
<b>Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 3</b>	Isaiah Sheehan-Priest
<b>Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 1</b>	Korban Bellis
<b>Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 2</b>	Adam Price
<b>Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 3</b>	Ethan Shields



## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Agriculture Year 1	Awarded
Agriculture Year 1	Zach Cruse
Agriculture Year 2	Deklan MacAskill
Automotive Year 1	Alex Mills
Automotive Year 2	Daniel Newton
Cookery Year 1	Katelynn Ford
Cookery Year 1	Sabastian Tiller
Cookery Year 1	Leon Rawson
Cookery Year 2	Beth Wratten
Cookery Year 2	Melissa (Em) McAuly
Hair and Beauty Year 1	Leah McDowell
Hair and Beauty Year 1	Niah King
Hair and Beauty Year 1	Kenzie Archbold
Hair and Beauty Year 2	Alyssa Rose
Hair and Beauty Year 2	Paige Taylor
Mechanical Engineering Year 1	Jacob Speakman
Mechanical Engineering Year 1	Vadim Pinkerton
Mechanical Engineering Year 2	Kaleb Steel
Mechanical Engineering Year 2	Jeordie Harding
Manaaki Tāpoi Level 3	Isaiah Cameron
Manaaki Tāpoi Level 3	Messiah Taurima-Leach
Employment and Life Skills	ZakBourke
Employment and Life Skills	Kirsty Fayen
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 1	Miro Turley-West
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 1	Kahlo Dymond
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 2	Rata Rushby
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 2	Morgan Burrows
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Nursery Production Year 2	Finn Mitchell
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 1	Nathan Kelsall
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 2	Thomas Howard
Conservation and Earthcare specialising in Pest Control Year 3	Kaleb Farmer





# 1923 - 2023 CENTENARY

## **GREYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATED ITS 100TH YEAR WITH A CENTENNIAL REUNION OVER EASTER WEEKEND 2023.**

It was a fantastic event that brought together over 300 former students and staff to look back on their memories at Greymouth High School.

Over the weekend, guests enjoyed seeing how the school has changed through the years. Memorabilia displays, old yearbooks, and a recording booth for gathering memories allowed everyone to reminisce on their Greymouth High experiences.

Thanks to The Nomad Audio and Video expert, Daimon Schwalger, for helping create the incredible movie "Ocean of Many Waves" featuring students from the first 50 years of school. The documentary is an in-depth look at the impact of Greymouth High School over its first 50 years as seen through the eyes of various students who experienced it.

A number of our Drama, Music, and Creative Industries Production students took part in a Music Hall performance tailored especially for the celebrations. Students performed a show designed to reflect entertainment from the 1920s when the school was first established. Two well-supported performances were held throughout the day displaying a range of talented acts including music, dance, and comedy and all finished off with an old-fashioned sing-a-long.

The Red Carpet Dinner was a highlight of the weekend. We had the opportunity to hear from the current principal Samantha Mortimer and the past principals Andy England, Arthur Graves, and John Mote who shared stories of their time as leaders. Former students from across the decades talked about how their experiences and the people at Grey High helped shape their futures in the wider world.

After dinner, everyone enjoyed the bands which included two of our current school bands as well as Not Just Jazz featuring past students of Greymouth High School.

It was great to make a start on our archives in the run-up to our celebrations and begin the process of organising our extensive range of photographs and other memorabilia. The project is set to continue next year as time becomes available. Many thanks to those alumni who have volunteered their time to assist with this work.

Any memorabilia or photographs would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to our School Office to be archived appropriately.



Greymouth Technical High School ca. 1923



School Logos: From 1923 - present







# SPORTS 2023

## Athletics

### Canterbury Junior Athletics

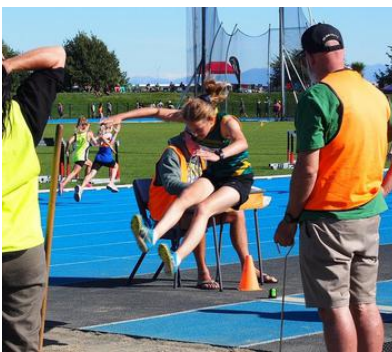
#### Awesome representation for the Greymouth Athletics Club

Johanna Groot and Miro Gurney spent the weekend in Christchurch at the Canterbury Junior Athletics Competition hosted at the excellent Ngā Puna Wai Sport Hub proudly representing the Greymouth Athletics Club.

Johanna and Miro had a full schedule of events entering into the 100m, 200m, 400m and Long Jump, Miro also entered in the Shot Put.

Both of these athletes competed extremely well clocking up a lot of personal bests throughout the meet. Johanna made the semifinals for the 100m and placed 12th which was a great improvement on her heat time. In the 400m event Johanna crossed the line in 11th place, Miro in 13th showing they were right in the mix of some of the top runners in these events. Miro also threw a personal best in shot put.

Congratulations Johanna and Miro!



## OxMan Multi-Sport

### Podium places!

Multisport is well and truly in our school's blood with this group taking on the OxMan which is New Zealand's newest long course triathlon incorporating that fantastic festival atmosphere for competitors.

The exciting trio of - "Grey High Troop" Caitlyn Gallant (swimmer), Dakota Robins (cyclist) and Harrison Whittaker (runner) competed in the Team OxMan event which covered a 1.9km swim, 92km bike and 21km run. They came home in a time of 5:30.41 placing overall 43rd/84 of entrants, and wrapping up the first place for the Mixed Teams category.

Sophie Whittaker competed in the Individual Junior OxMan which is a 200m swim, 11.5km bike, 3.2km run. She finished overall 33rd/42 entrants, 13th/19 of females and 5th/5 in the 14-16 year old category.

Mr Henderson - our resident multisport was also in action at this event which the students loved to see and compete against him.



# Futsal

## An action packed day for our teams!

On Wednesday 22nd February Greymouth High School played host to 8 boys and 5 girls futsal teams from John Paul II, South Westland Area School, Westland High School and Karamaea Area School - this was a BUSY day in the Dave McKenzie Gym!

Placings were decided on wins/loss/draw. Bonus points were awarded for winning by 5 or more goals, or losing by 2 goals or less.



**GHS A: Rhys Anderson, Callum Brown, Liam Stone, Emil Fischer, Dylan Holliday, C-Jay Winiata, Jacob Bull**

The GHS A boys' team was first in action against JP11 B where they took the game 4-0. A great start for our team where passing was coming easily and the communication grew quickly throughout the 12 minute game.

Game 2 had the team take on an enthusiastic JP11 C side, with our team scoring 8 goals.

In the final pool game GHS A took on SWAS who have always been great competition in futsal. The game was extremely tight throughout, both sides scored one goal a piece but the deadlock could not be broken and it remained a draw.

At the end of pool play the GHS A team sat at the top of the table with nine points, two wins and one draw, along with a bonus point for winning by more than 5 goals. Top of the pool finish sent this team into the 1st/2nd playoff against a flashy JP11 A team. We scored early in the first half, putting us ahead by one goal. JP11 A continued to push but they could not break through the strong GHS side. A second goal close to the end sealed the win for GHS A - Champions of the WCSS Senior Boys Futsal Tournament for 2023!

**GHS B: Harvey Tacon, Sean Bain, Kaleb Farmer, Seth Manning, Fa Masalu, Leon Rawson, Miro Turley-West**

GHS B had some tough competition, first against JP11 A who had some very flashy and quick players with strong finishes.

JP11 A took the win 5-0 against our boys who worked very hard to get on the board.

Game 2 was against KAS. This was a tighter game on the score card with KAS taking the win 3-0.

The final pool game saw the first win for the GHS B team going up 2-0 against the bigger WHS side. Our strength and speed gave them a good win on the sheet. GHS B finished 3rd in Pool B, which meant they were into the 5th/6th playoff against SWAS. Both teams got onto the scoreboard with one goal each, and that is how it ended. It then went into shootouts to determine a winner! The best of three was in play; GHS going first and slamming home a great goal, SWAS missing their first attempt putting it over the crossbar, GHS nailed the second attempt, SWAS got their second, then a third shot for GHS which once again slammed into the goal - GHS B for the win, taking home 5th place!



**GHS Girls: Harvilla Barrow, Sabrina Smith, Anusshika Bhan, Sinead Flood, Phoenix Fowler**

The first game of the day for the girls was against JP11, a tight contest with both teams warming up into the game - GHS took the win 2-1 a great start for our team!

Game 2 was against SWAS B, this was another thrilling tight game of action. Both teams worked hard throughout the game to make things happen but GHS came out on top scoring the only goal of the game.

The third game was against WHS. With a couple of goal opportunities just going wide of the goal or the goalies having some great stops, this game ended in a nil-all draw.

The final game of the day for the GHS side was against SWAS A - we knew this would be a tough game for our team, however there was not much in the game at all. Both teams having good changes to attack the goal but only SWAS was able to break the deadlock going up 1-0 which would see out the game.

The Girls Competition made for a lot of bonus points given out due to not losing by two goals or less. The GHS team with two wins, one draw and a bonus point loss, finished on nine points, equal with JP11. Ultimately, GHS finished in third position.



# Squash

## **South Island Secondary School Squash Tournament. Awesome performances from our teams!**

Report by Sasha Ellery:

Greymouth High School had 6 girls compete in the South Island Secondary School Squash Tournament on the 24th-25th of June.

We had a Grey High A team which consisted of Grace Rhodes, Sasha Ellery and Casey Ellery. As well as the Grey High B team of, Eilish Fraser, Sophie Whittaker and Olivia Cowie.

The Grey High A team was seeded 2nd and won their first two matches against Cashmere High B and Christchurch Girls to get into the final.

The Grey High B team had a tough first round against top seeds Cashmere High A. They then had a close win against Villa Maria 1 to get into the playoff for 5th/6th.

In their playoff game Grey High B played Cashmere High B and had a hard fought 2-1 loss - finishing an impressive 6th overall. The Grey High A team's final came down to the last game and finished with a close 2-1 loss - finishing 2nd overall for the tournament.

The two teams now combine into one to continue their training for the New Zealand Secondary Schools in Auckland.



## **NZ Secondary Schools Championships First EVER appearance for GHS!**

Report by Sasha Ellery:

For the first time ever we had a Greymouth High School Girls Team go to the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championships up in Auckland which was held at North Shore Squash Club.

With a lot of the teams having quite a few more years experience, the team had some tough games and were the only girls team from the South Island.

They had a good first round win against Macleans College from Auckland 4-1. This saw the team go into the top group of teams. The team went into a round robin with Whangarei Girls, Westlake Girls and Hamilton Girls where Grace Rhodes played against New Zealand's top girl player. Eilish Fraser and Sasha Ellery played very well in some tough matches. The team fought hard in every round with every match being close.

On finals day the team had a tough loss of 3-2 against Havelock North to secure them 8th place out of all the High Schools in New Zealand.

This was a great experience for all the girls playing in the team especially Sophie Whittaker and Olivia Cowie who are new to playing competitive squash. The team all played well with every player having a strong win.



Greymouth's own Casey Ellery was named in the New Zealand Secondary School Junior Girls team who traveled to Sydney on the 20th of August to play a week of test matches against the Australian team.

# Squash

## West Coast Secodary School Squash

### A full day of action for this growing sport!

Squash is becoming a popular on the West Coast Secondary School calendar this year with 22 students in action at the Greymouth Squash Club.

Once again we split the event into two division to ensure all those involved had a competitive and enjoyable day on the courts. Although it was a bulk of GHS and JPll students, plus one WHS player there were some thrilling games and fantastic sportsmanship throughout the day.

This sport also relies on players refereeing each other, it was lovely to see many of the Division I players assisting and supporting those less knowledgeable to give them confidence to referee on their own by the end of the event.

At Grey High the squash elective is driving a new group of keen athletes to pick up this new sport, many finding how much fun this sport is!



## Australian Junior Squash Open

### Great experience for our Squash players

Sasha Ellery, Grace Rhodes and Casey Ellery travelled to Melbourne to compete in the Australian Junior Squash Open! This event is registered with the World Squash Federation (WSF) on the world junior circuit so can have some of the best players attending. It is open to Australian and international players.

All three of our squash players have been around the sport for a while now competing locally and representing the Greymouth Club at various events across the country. They have produced some great results.

At the Australian Open Sasha and Grace competed in the under 17 Girls category and Casey in the under 15 Girls category. All players did a great job at this event with some tight games on the scorecard.

Sasha finished in 14th place, Grace 16th place and Casey 10th place in a very competitive competition that saw big numbers of entries across all the age groups.

I am sure Sasha and Grace had a good laugh that they went all the way over to Australia just to play each other at the tail end of the tournament! These two are often playing against each other due to having a similar squash ranking - however I bet it was another great battle between these two!

Congratulations to all three players on their performances across the ditch!



Canterbury Squash Representatives at the Australian Junior Squash Open — L-R: Casey Ellery, Sasha Ellery, ?, ?, Grace Rhodes



Casey Ellery with one of her competitors



# Swimming

## **National Swimming Champs Success. AMAZING results from Lockie Oliver and Emil Fischer**

A couple of our excellent swimmers attended the National Age Group Swimming Championships (NAGS) in Hastings on the 12th - 16th April. This is a huge event that saw 470 top swimmers from around the New Zealand compete, and was also televised on Māori TV.



Both Lachlan and Emil had to reach very competitive qualifying times to attend this meet which is a huge achievement in itself. Less than a handful of Greymouth Club swimmers have made it to this event in the past, this shows just how big this event is for young talented swimmers.

Both swimmers qualified for multiple events, Lockie qualified for four events - 50m freestyle, 50m, 100m and 200m butterfly. Emil qualified for three events 50m, 100m, and 200m breaststroke.

The busy schedule had the swimmers competing in their heats in the morning and finals in the evening. As always with swimming only 10 swimmers qualify for final spots in their age groups, so athletes had to be at the top of their game to reach the finals.

Lockie qualified for the 200m butterfly FINAL in the 14 year old boys category and placed 7TH IN NEW ZEALAND!

Emil qualified for two events, 50m and 200m breaststroke in the 15 year old boys category and placed 6TH and 8TH IN NEW ZEALAND!

Along with locking in those awesome final spots both swimmers gained impressive personal bests, this showed they were hitting their stride so well at this event.

We cannot stress how big of an achievement for Lockie and Emil it is to not only qualifying for this event, but also competing in the finals!

Congratulations Lockie and Emil - it is awesome to see you both achieving such great things in your sport and on such a big stage. Their countless hours in the pool are paying off and with the guidance of their Coach Amara Gardyne we cannot wait to see where these boys go next!

# Tennis

## **GHS winners!**

Greymouth High School students made a successful foray south to Hokitika to play in the West Coast Secondary Schools Junior Tennis Tournament. Molly Meek, Eilish Fraser, Jordyn Austin, Liam Russ and Brennan Thomas all played well and demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship.

Liam, showed his experience in overwhelming the opposition. His power and all-round court coverage were his major strengths. He won each of his three matches by 2 sets to love.

Molly also demonstrated her prowess in completing wins in all her games. She also filled in in the boys competition due to an injury to the Westland player and won this 3-1, 3-1.

Eilish and Jordyn both played strongly and fought out a tight battle during the round-robin phase with Eilish advancing to the final in winning two sets to one. Molly defeated Eilish in the girls final and Jordyn won the third place play-off in straight sets.

To finish off the day Liam and Brennan teamed up for a doubles match against the JPIL pairing of Sam Bryan and Jack Honey. The Grey High boys won this comfortably 6-3, 6-1.



# Volleyball

## A HUGE day of action!

On Friday 17th November we hosted the West Coast Secondary Junior Volleyball Tournament at the Westland Rec Centre which saw 15 teams take the court across the day. Although the competition was split into Boys/Girls we also saw some mixed teams on the court to see even more students have the opportunity to get in on the action.

We saw some close matches throughout the day across all games with many being pushed to the deciding set for the win. There was so much support for each other, laughs and a general fantastic atmosphere at the Rec Centre for our juniors.

Outstanding performance from all the Grey High representatives who all improved so much across the day of action.



# Touch

## A SUPER sunny and action packed day in Reefton!

The West Coast Secondary School Touch tournaments are always a fantastic day out, this year's Junior event was just the same with Reefton putting on the amazing weather.

Grey High has FOUR teams in action throughout the day, two Boys Teams and two Girls Teams with a range of ability but in the end everyone really enjoyed themselves. It was fantastic to see SO MANY of our Juniors taking up the opportunity to play touch with close to 30 players enjoying the day from Grey High alone.

Our Boys teams took out top honours placing first and second with a tight competition between the teams needing to go on count back for who took out the final placings. Our GHS A Girls team had tough competition against some very talented sides and only lost a few games by tight margins. Our GHS B Girls team improved so much throughout the day as many had not had much experience playing touch but they were thrilled with their final performance for how much they developed in the day.

Huge thank you to Mr Henderson for his enthusiasm with helping take the group away, coaching and refereeing.

Also a big thank you to Trish Lockington for running training sessions with our students prior to the event to give them some fantastic insights on playing the game.





# Cricket

## TWO Grey High Teams in Action

Sadly the weather was not playing the game for this tournament, we were meant to be off to Westport however the rain came in - luckily Westland High School has a fantastic facility with covered outdoor courts meaning we could play an adaptive version of cricket to ensure our keen players still got an opportunity to play their game.

Grey High had a full Girls Team and a Mixed Team to take on JP11 Boys, JP11 Mixed, WHS and WHS Mixed. We saw the teams playing "Box Cricket" under cover with 8 players per team and restrictions on overs to bowl, different scoring - i.e. hit the back wall = six runs and batters retiring earlier to see more people get on the pitch.

There was no true winner from the day as not all teams got to play each other, however all teams got at least three games and it was played in great spirits!

Huge thank you to Brijen at WHS to become the new hosts, plus thank you to Liz Hutt for assisting with bringing down our teams and coaching.



# Sport Shooting

## High ranking results at the NZ Champs!

Harrison Whittaker went to the New Zealand Sporting Clay Championships in Wanganui representing the South Island Mixed team as the top junior to take on the North Island. It was a tight competition with the South Island team only going down by 6 shots for the North Island team to take the win.



Harrison competed extremely well against older and more experienced shooters with his junior category capped at 21 years old, Harrison was also the youngest competitor at the event.

With his excellent shooting Harrison qualified fourth to be picked as the reserve for the New Zealand Oceania Team. Although he did not make the top three, he had some very close results against some very sharp shooters from around New Zealand.

We wish Harrison all the best for he chase to make the Oceania team in 2024 where they will travel to Australia for the Oceania Championships.

Results - Junior Team:

- J Lourie Nth Island 419.01
- C Towgood Nth Island 396.64
- T Maihi Sth Island 382.88
- Res H Whittaker Sth Island 370.9



# Basketball

## West Coast Secondary School 3x3 Basketball

22 Greymouth High School players made up 6 teams who travelled to Westport to attend the first West Coast Secondary School 3x3 Basketball Tournament. There was heaps of action with John Paul II, Buller High School and Westland High School all having multiple teams representing their schools. In total we saw 22 teams taking the court showing how accessible this fast paced version of the game is!

All games were 15 minutes and we saw a total of 45 games being played in a very busy day. For 3x3 Basketball it is first to 21 points, or the leader when the clock runs out. Normal shots are 1 point and shots beyond the arc are 2 points.

Our teams represented Greymouth High School extremely well with the three teams taking out their competition - Junior A Boys, Junior A Girls and Senior A Girls. Our Junior B Boys improved so well throughout the day against some very talented teams. The Senior A Boys lost their semifinal against a tough Buller High School A team, however they finished very strong to win the 3rd/4th playoff against JP II B. The Senior B Boys had some very close games throughout the day but didn't quite crack the top 4 and played in the 3 team round robin to wrap up their day.

### Junior Boys

#### GHS A

Liam Russ, Luken Reyland, Noah Marris, Seif Abozeid

#### GHS B

Thomas Bermingham, Noah Prendergast, Rian Freeman-Terry

### Junior Girls

#### GHS A

Pyper Mahuika, Neve Tacon, Sophie Whittaker, Talia Birch

### Senior Boys

#### GHS A

Charlie Taylor, Nathan Kelsall, Johnathan Mulhane, Archie Haldane

#### GHS B

Callum Brown, Cayden Miller, Callan McGuire-Lowe, Jake Priebe

### Senior Girls

#### GHS A

Caitlan Williams, Ella Mahuika, Hannah Kelsall



# Netball

## Junior Netball: Thrilling South Island Secondary School tournament in Christchurch

### Day one report from Manager Jo:

Our girls arrived excited and ready to go for our first day of netball at the South Island Secondary School (SISS) netball tournament at Hagley Park. Five of the 2022 winning team returned for this years tournament ready to lead the five newbies. Our first game was against Blue Mountain College.

We started out steady with Indie Hartill-Tones driving well off the line on attack and Hannah Hopkins moving well in the circle and getting her team ahead at half time. Bella Masters slotted in nicely at Goal Keep and really made her partner work for every shot. All players got good court time and we took our first win 28-12.

Next up was Riccarton High School. Weather conditions were extremely cold and the girls took a while to settle into the game. Sophie Whittaker owned her GD bib and got tip after tip. Great team work between WD Molly Taylor and C Breanna Turnbull bringing ball through strongly for their shooter Molly Meek to finish off. Second win of the day 30-15.

As the day went on the cold really set in and we were struggling to get our bodies warm for our last game of the day against Oxford Area School. Pyper Mahuika showed her flair and as always worked well with C Neve Tacon. Libbie Hackett used her height to an advantage and strong on rebounds under the post. Another impressive win 26-12.





Day one finished with a quick dash to the van before another icy shower came through. Coach Tarn Mahuika was happy with the results from day one, especially with being able to work on combinations and playing to the conditions, which was our focus today. A couple of umpires made comments after our games of our impressive skill level at such a young age!

### **Day two report:**

We woke to a chilly but beautiful sunny day with the girls ready to hit day two hard after a successful day one.

The first game of the day was against Verdon College Green, who finished second in their pool. We started off well and continued to build as the game went on. Verdon players struggled with our tight defence. The Greymouth High girls capitalised on their frustrated opposition. Sophie Whittaker played out of her skin and absolutely controlled the circle with her constant tips and intercepts. First win of the day 24-15.



Next up was the winner of Pool H - Motueka High School. We went in focused and ready for a real tough game. Motueka had a male Centre who Breanna Turnbull 100% out played! She shut him down with her speed and elevation very well. Team work, communication and putting our trainings into practice got us our second win of the day 28-15. At end of this game the umpire made a point of congratulating us on our sportsmanship and great attitudes which reflected in our scores from the last two days of competition - fantastic feedback to receive!

We moved into 1st-8th Quarterfinals for the final game of the day, after a big break we took on Mt Hutt College. Our game plan was simple - keep doing what we have been doing and really enjoy our netball. Pyper Mahuika played to her usual high standard with regular basketball lay ups catching the defence sleeping. Bella Masters and Libbie Macklin both having strong games in opposite ends of the court. Once again every player got a decent run on court. We finished the day off with another win 32-21. With this win we are through to the 1st-4th place semifinals - bring it on!

### **Day three report:**

Wednesday morning was all go, up early, breakfast, pack and at the courts at 7.45am all ready for our last day of netball. All girls including the coaches were pumped and ready to perform. Our semifinal was against South Otago High School and it was a tight tussle the whole game. Quarter time was 5 all, half time 13 - 9 to us then 3rd quarter time 17 all. Last quarter the girls went back out determined and hungry for that win and that's exactly what they did. Final score 25 - 20 to us.

Greymouth High School were off to the finals second year in a row. Unfortunately this year we couldn't repeat the year before and lost the final 34 - 20 to a very well drilled and talented Queens High School from Dunedin. On the final whistle the girls walked off that court proud as punch. Every player took the court in the final because every player had done the Mahi to get us there. Second place out of 32 teams just goes to show the talent and strength of the Greymouth girls! The leadership of Neve Tacon, Pyper Mahuika, Sophie Whittaker, Breanna Turnbull and Bella Masters was outstanding. Our new players this year were amazing and an asset to our team. Molly Meek playing out of her skin in the final and stepping up to GA in the third quarter without batting an eyelid. Indie Hartill was our most improved and went from strength to strength each game. Molly Taylor gave 100% every time she went on the court and always with a smile. Hannah Hopkins is such a talented shooter who worked well in the circle with Pyper. Libbie Macklin quiet in nature but hugely talented at either end of the court.



**A huge thank you to all the 10 girls for making Tania and myself so proud.**



# Athletics Day















# COAST TO COAST 2023 - GIRLS TEAM

## DAKOTA ROBINS, REAGAN BONIFACE, GRACE RHODES

Time: 15:40:5  
1st / 2 School Girls  
3rd / 13 Females  
44th / 103 Overall

### Top spot for our Girls!

Our Girls team **WON** their category with four hours to spare over their nearest rivals - Excellent race for these first timers! They have done themselves and the community proud!

### Athlete insights:

#### How did you find the C2C?

Team: It was a great experience and really enjoyable being around other competitors with like minded passions. Loved the experience and camping with all the athletes at Klondyke Corner, being in that environment with everyone was pretty awesome.

#### What was your favourite part or the C2C?

R: Coming into the finishing chute at Klondyke Corner day 1 - the atmosphere was unreal, so many people, so loud with everyone clapping!  
On the run, coming up the actual "Goats Pass" was unforgettable which is pretty much like climbing up a rocky waterfall for 500m. I also met a lady and another guy who I stuck with from the 5km mark right until the

end. We kept swapping who was in front and the encouragement from them the whole time was such a cool feeling

G: Going through the Gorge was probably my favourite part because of the rapids and scenery.

D: The 70km where I got in a big group including Richie McCaw and Nathan Cohen and we were averaging around 36km/h which felt awesome! Also doing the C2C with Grace and Reagan was pretty special.

#### What was your least favourite part of the C2C?

R: I didn't have any parts where I hated the C2C/mountain run, however there was always a long line of people in front and behind me so it made it hard to pass anyone. One time I thought I could run down another part to cross the river to overtake a few people, however this ended up with me falling face first into the river!

G: At the start of the kayak my rudder was bent sideways so I had to pull off to the side for it to be fixed which took a few minutes to sort.

D: Getting cramp on the 55km bike and not having much help since I've never had cramp on the bike before! Probably from pushing myself in the 2km run.

#### Did you achieve your goal?

R: Yes, my goal was to finish the run feeling decent, and under 5 hours 30. I completed the run in 5 hours 19 minutes, travelling at a pace of under 10 min/km which I was happy with considering the terrain!

G: Yes, my goal was to finish the kayak in a good time, under 5 hours and 30 - I completed it in 5 hours 23 minutes.





D: Absolutely! My goal was just to do as well as I could have and reach the finish line with my teammates.

**Will you do the C2C again, if so what category?**

R: Yes definitely, I would like to eventually do the individual races in a couple years time. Next year I am in the ballot for the two day, two person mixed team with Harrison.

G: Yes definitely, I would eventually like to do the two day individual. Next year I am in the ballot for the two day, three person mixed team.

D: Yes, the two day individual event, I want to push myself and see how far I can go in multisport because I love it so much.

**Any words of encouragement for others who may want to enter the C2C?**

Team: You will not regret entering, it is such an unique experience and atmosphere that you cannot find anywhere else. Just make sure that you have the right time and mindset to train and be training your actual course as many times as possible. Just give it a go because you won't be the only one doing that!





# COAST TO COAST 2023 - BOYS TEAM

**CALLUM BROWN,  
HARRISON WHITTAKER,  
TRISTAN**

Time: 13:35:10

4th / 5 School Boys

10th / 30 Males

15th / 102 Overall

## **EPIC battle for the boys!**

**The boys came extremely close to getting on the podium in their category, with less than 5 minutes separating them from 3rd place. They were outstanding and really pushed themselves, we are so proud of what they have achieved!**

## **Athlete insights:**

### **How did you find the C2C?**

T: C2C was great, had a blast.

H: I really enjoyed the C2C!

### **What was your favourite part or the C2C?**

T: Would have been the 15km cycle leg on the Saturday morning, as it was short and fast. Being flat the whole way I was averaging 40-45km/h and tapped out at 75km/h going down one of the hills heading towards Mt White.

H: It was the atmosphere, how everyone was so friendly and supportive on the river.

### **What was your least favourite part of the C2C?**

T: Saturday morning, waking up and it is 2 degrees outside.

H: Having to get out of the boat and walk our boats



around a rapid because it was so hard to walk after being in the boat for so long. Everyone had to walk around this part due to the condition of the river.

### **Did you achieve your goal?**

T: I smashed my goal by a mile, which was to finish the C2C with a half decent time but Callum, Harrison and I ended up doing better and finishing near the top of our category.

H: I wanted to finish the kayak before my Dad and I did that.

### **Will you do the C2C again, if so what category?**

T: Yes, I will be putting in a mixed team into the ballot for 2024 with Grace and Charlie - looking forward to it!

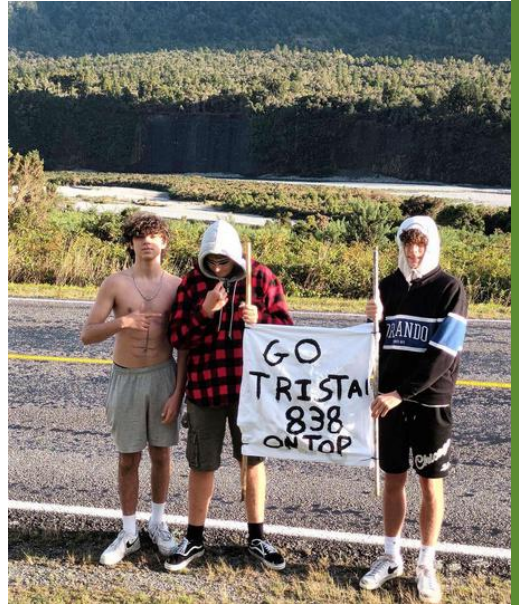
H: I want to do the event again in the two person team event.

### **Any words of encouragement for others who may want to enter the C2C?**

T: The C2C is not as hard as you think, the training is the hardest part. Being the cyclist you have days of not wanting to ride but once you get on the bike and warmed up the only thing stopping you is cramp or a puncture. Once you are at the start line and the countdown starts your adrenaline kicks in and it is a walk in the park. Things that kept me going was the support from friends coming cheering me on throughout the race and the fact I was beating Richie McCaw.

H: For anyone that is looking at doing the C2C in the years to come it is a great event to challenge yourself and has a great supportive and encouraging atmosphere.





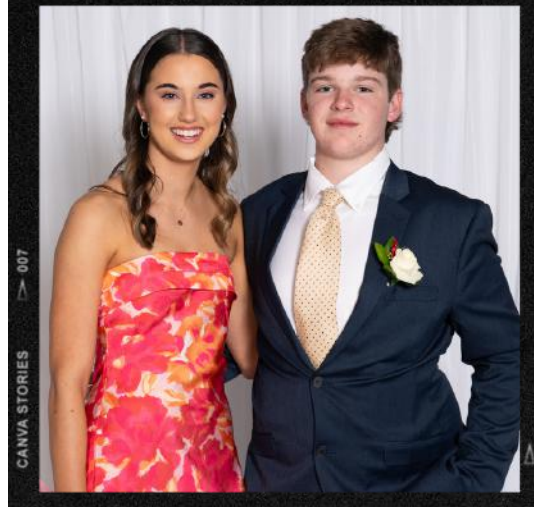


# SENIOR BALL 2023

## HOLLYWOOD

















## GATEWAY

**What a fantastic year 2023 has been for Gateway students!**

The purpose of Gateway is to enable schools to provide senior students (years 11-13) with opportunities to access structured workplace learning and gain knowledge and skills that they will need for future work like Health and Safety, Leadership Course, Service IQ, First Aid, Working on heights, and Barista courses.

Gateway is designed to support students' transition into the workforce by offering them workplace learning while at secondary school.

In 2023, 50 students were enrolled in the programme with diverse work placements including building, early childhood, electrical, hair and beauty, farming, plumbing, nurseries, mechanical engineering, automotive, and service providers.

A high number of students' Gateway experience lead to apprenticeships and full or part time employment. Some students continued to further their education to prepare for work in their chosen field.

Gateway provides employers a great opportunity to get to know our students' qualities which can also lead to future employment.

I would like to thank all the amazing employers that provide great opportunities to our students.

On a personal note I would like to say that I enjoyed working with students, whānau, and employers, I also learned a lot about the work opportunities available on the Coast.

Shoshy Perchig-Gibli  
Gateway Coordinator





# SOCIAL SCIENCES

2023 has been a challenging year for staff and students. A combination of sickness, especially among staff and ongoing industrial action placed limitations on what the Social Sciences department wanted to achieve. Sadly some significant learning outside the classroom, such as the Year 9 Marae visit and several field trips had to be cancelled or postponed. Nevertheless significant progress has been made towards achieving the Social Sciences goals. These include the ongoing integration of the Social Sciences refresh into our school curriculum and staff preparation for the introduction of new Level 1 NCEA standards in Geography and History in 2024.

During the first two terms, Mrs Anna Bermingham and Mr Bernard Adams shared the HoD role while Mr Robertson was on leave in India. They performed this shared role admirably. The department welcomed Manu Somerville to take on the challenging job of teaching Education for Sustainability to three different NCEA levels in one composite class. Whaea Annie and Te Marunui Toki used their strengths to support the school in a number of initiatives such as Dean's support, the Kindness Project, and Kapa Haka.

Students in the Social Science classes received relevant and up to date learning opportunities. Those that complete the mahi are achieving well in all areas.

## Y9 Aotearoa Studies

There were six classes in 2023 with Te Marunui Toki and Whaea Annie teaching three classes each. Students studied a range of topics related to Aotearoa Histories. These included Identity, a study of Aotearoa's settlement by Tangata Whenua and the later migrants. Students examined the partnership Te Tiriti O Waitangi promised but did not always deliver. In term three students focussed on milestones affecting New Zealand in the twentieth century. The course culminated in term four with a local community study emphasising the local economy and the environment.

## Y10 Global Studies

We have had Mr Toki, Whaea Annie and Mrs Bermingham taking the Y10 Global Studies classes this year. Highlights have been research into ancient civilisations, looking at the significance of Matariki, decision making and understanding sustainability.





## Level 2 and 3 Classics

Yassou!



Classical studies has been another wonderful year with students enjoying ancient literature, sculpture and architecture.

Level 2 studied Homer's Odyssey, and learnt about the ideas and values of the classical world. They also studied in depth the Athenian Parthenon and the lost city of Pompeii, and what the archaeology that was excavated can tell us.

Level 3 began their year studying the art and architecture of the Roman Empire, and the messages communicated to the people who viewed them. They read Virgil's Aeneid and the links with the Emperor Augustus and Jupiter's prophecy for the future of Rome.

I have been impressed with both groups working independently as they share the classroom for the year. Vase designing, and soap sculpture as well as creating the class collage were also highlights!



## Levels 1,2,3 History

This year Level 1 History class looked at New Zealand's involvement during WWI and WWII by conducting individual research, unfortunately we were unable to visit Shantytown due to industrial action. Students also studied the bombing of the Greenpeace flagship Rainbow Warrior in 1985 and how our Nuclear Free stance continues to impact New Zealand society. I have been impressed by the students being consistent throughout their work this year.

Levels 2 and 3 were a combined class this year. Students studied events during the Vietnam War, looking at contested events and key individuals involved. Students also conducted individual research on New Zealand historical events such as the 1981 Springbok Tour, the Brunner Mine disaster and Chinese Gold mining, and their significance to Aotearoa New Zealand. I have been really impressed with focus and motivation to succeed in the combined class. Students have brought their knowledge and been keen to learn.



## Levels 1,2,3 Geography

This year the Level 1 Geography class looked at topics ranging from the global pattern of earthquakes, to the contemporary issue of 1080 use in New Zealand to the sustainable use of an environment (relating to dairy farming). Students were somewhat hampered by the lack of field trips, but made the most of the year's learning and produced some excellent results and growth. Many students have prepared themselves well for the end of year exams.

The Year 12 & 13 Geography students found themselves together again and, where possible, worked on similar topics. Both started by looking at the global pattern of coral reefs, then branched off to look at the urban pattern of slums in Johannesburg (Year 12) and the contemporary event of Polyfest (Year 13).

Both groups then studied contemporary issues in either Aotearoa/New Zealand at Year 12 or an international issue at Year 13. We completed the year with a spot of potamology as part of their Geographic research into fluvial geomorphology on the New River comparing three sites along the river. The overall aim of the research was to see if there were differences in geomorphology at various locations on the river (analysing gradient, velocity, depth, width and sediment type/size). Overall it has been a real privilege to teach these young people, watch them grow and share in their development into adulthood.





### Levels 2,3 Tourism

In 2023 the Level 2 & 3 Tourism class was combined, which appeared to work well when we came to sharing our ideas and learning from each other. Unfortunately we were not able to venture on any tourism trips (as mentioned earlier), but students can be proud of the mahi that they have put into their learning and accomplishments. Students in Year 12 completed a number of internal assessments on a wide range of topics including the knowledge of the history of tourism, the business behind tourism ventures, understanding various roles in tourism, learning about destinations throughout Aotearoa/New Zealand and finally improving their understanding of destinations throughout the world. Students in Year 13 continued on from learning in Year 12, adding topics such as enhancing their understanding of the tourism industry, describing and analysing the economic impact of tourism on New Zealand and finally working towards sharing ideas on how to describe and promote New Zealand as a tourist destination.

Many students put in a lot of extra mahi at home to complete assessments early, which I was impressed with. Well done to all those students who put their best foot forward and worked hard in 2023.

We were lucky enough to be invited to participate in the Manaakitanga Ki Te Tai O Poutini Hui (West Coast Tourism Summit - pictured right) on Thursday, August 31st to round off winter in a cheerful tone. The five Year 12 girls who attended the hui included: Jahara Duncan, Jade Philpot, Chanel Allison, Lilly Prouting and Ayesha Berry-Barnes. All the students proved to be excellent ambassadors for GHS, upholding our values of Respect and Akoranga to the highest degree.



Mark Davies - DoC, Heath Milne - CEO DWC, Bjoern Spreitzer - Tourism NZ, Karl Luxton - CEO Scenic Hotels, Peter Haddock - West Coast Regional Council Chairman, Patrick Dault - Destination and Tourism Manager, Jade Mahuika - DWC with Mr Bernard Adams, Mrs Shoshy Perchig-Gibli and GHS students Jahara Duncan, Jade Philpot, Chanel Allison, Lilly Prouting and Ayesha Berry-Barnes

### Levels 2,3 Psychology

2023 Year 13 Psychology saw the arrival of some new activities to assist students with their executive function, such as building with Lego as a way to understand the processes in conducting experiments and putting the Method of Loci to practise to enhance study skills.



Our Y13 students enjoyed conducting psychological experiments on willing participants across the school for one of their internals. Psychological concepts that our students were analysing in their reports included conformity and inattention blindness. Students also engaged in other activities to enrich their understanding of the cognitive approach including the Stroop test and the White Bear experiment. Furthermore, they enjoyed making peanut butter and jam sandwiches (with a twist!) which they could apply to the diathesis-stress model.



A lowlight for our students was that this year's field trip to Wellington had to be cancelled due to variables mentioned earlier. However, overall the year was a success for many, who displayed great resilience and perseverance amidst the challenges that the year presented.

Whaea Annie attended the NZ Psychology Teachers Association in November and hopes to return with even more new ideas that can be implemented for our 2024 cohort.

A select group of students enrolled in Level 2 Psychology on Mr Robertson's return from India. They embraced their mahi and produced quality assignments and sites about phobias, school stress, and ethics.



# THE ARTS

## 2023: A busy year in Drama and CIP!

Greymouth High School Drama and Music students pushed the boat out early in the year with an outstanding and original interpretation of 1920's Music Hall to commemorate the 1923-2023 Centennial. Year 10-13 Drama and Music students, along with CIP students partnered to create the set, front of house, programme, costumes, make-up and props along with a wide range of performance pieces.

Year 10 students out-did themselves learning the Lambeth Walk along with some very funny stand up comedy and a selection of Monty-Python based skits including Ryley Clow's stellar role in The Ministry of Silly Walks. Year 11 students learnt the Charleston along with Callahan Raynor and Abbey Dey's very funny rendition of the Dead Parrot Skit. There was a fabulous display of musical talent from Year 10-13 Music students with a number of solo, duet and group performances along with a large group sing-a-long of 'old-time' songs, ably accompanied by John Anderson, to take the audience back to 1923. We even managed to locate a copy of the original school song which was also sung. It would be interesting to take a peek at Greymouth High School's 200 year reunion and see if the song is still around!

## Court Theatre Trip

20 Senior Drama, CIP and Music students embarked upon a trip to the Court Theatre towards the end of Term Two to soak up the culture. The trip included taking in the show *Appropriate* by Brandon Jacob-Jenkins along with a backstage tour of the theatre the following morning. We were also lucky enough to interview one of the actors from the show as well as conducting our tour. This was a great opportunity for our actors, budding directors, set designers, wardrobe and make-up artists to gather information about the entertainment industry and everyone made the most of it.

Taking a close look at our photos will reveal some of the fun and learning we experienced along the way, along with some interesting shopping choices at our Mall stop-off!



## The Land of the Moa

Apart from Music Hall, Drama and CIP's other major focus was around one of the first original scripts written in New Zealand called *The Land of the Moa*. This melodrama, written by George Leitch (a contemporary of Oscar Wilde) provided us all with many opportunities in acting as well as backstage skills. *The Land of the Moa* also afforded us insight into Aotearoa New Zealand in the 1880's, albeit through a melodramatic lens!

Unfortunately this 140 year old mammoth stage production, two and a half hours in full length, proved too much for our trusty band of players given the amount of time Music Hall and rostering home had already taken out of the schedule. However, despite the time constraints our students made a fantastic job of performing the first act of this awesome play for an invited audience.

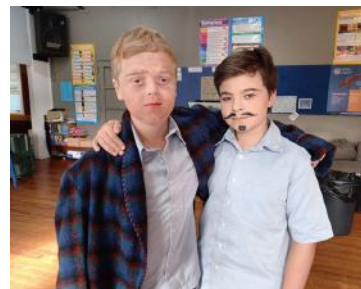
An awesome backdrop was painted and designed for this performance by Rata Gurney along with some fabulous costuming, make-up and props designed and realised by various CIP students.





### Junior Drama Rotations

It was great to see so many students discovering Drama and CIP this year in the option rotations we had. Although they were slightly shorter than usual there was a lot of ground covered and new skills introduced. During Term One and Two Year 9's focussed on their presentation and public speaking skills along with learning the basic techniques of Drama.



### Itinerant Music Students Concert

On the evening of June 20th, some of our students hosted us in the Drama Room. It was a brilliant evening, organised by voice and piano teacher Jessica McMillan, showcasing some very talented musicians. It was a very enjoyable evening attended by a number of staff, family and friends and the added benefit for many of the Senior students was that they were able to use this NCEA performance for credits. Performers for the evening included Jacob Sweetman (pianist), Miro Horrox (pianist), Jason McCracken (pianist), Hannah Hsieh (vocals and guitar), Caitlyn Gallant (vocals), Elsie Johnstone (vocals) and Reid Anderson (vocals). Mrs. MacMillan provided wonderful accompaniment for some of the singers. A great evening was had by both the audience and the artists.



### Music Commission Song Writing Workshop

2023 saw the NZ Music Commission sponsor a Music mentor for two days in school. This included travel, transport and wages paid to the mentor by the Commission. For 2023 meant that on the 24/25th August ex Hokitika local Song Writer Katie Thompson was able to travel to Greymouth and work on songwriting with a group of Year 10 students. Attending the workshop was Miro Horrox, Jackson Carson, Olivia Cowie, Kaden Surman, George Cronin, Jimi Johnstone and Isaac Harrington. A great time was had by all with a lot of new skills learnt and songs being started while on the course. Many students continued to work on their songs after the event so they could finish them.



### Music Workshop with Daimon Schwalger

As part of three workshops sponsored through STAR funding Daimon Schwalger musician and NOMAD business man came through to work with students from Greymouth in Photography, Film and Music. The Music workshop was held on the 17th/18th May in the Music room. The goal was for students to create one group song and mix it using Logic Pro software. The final song Feeling So Fly can be heard by scanning the QR code below.

Assisting Daimon on the day was Roman Nero. Students involved were Vadim Pinkerton, Rhys Nolan, Kaden Surman, George Cronin, Rachel Campbell, Lochy Whall, Jason McCracken, Arly Bellis Victor Batchelar and Liam Stone. A special thank you to Daimon and Nero for the amazing skills they shared with our students.



Scan this QR Code to listen to "Feeling So Fly".

### Photography Workshop with Daimon Schwalger

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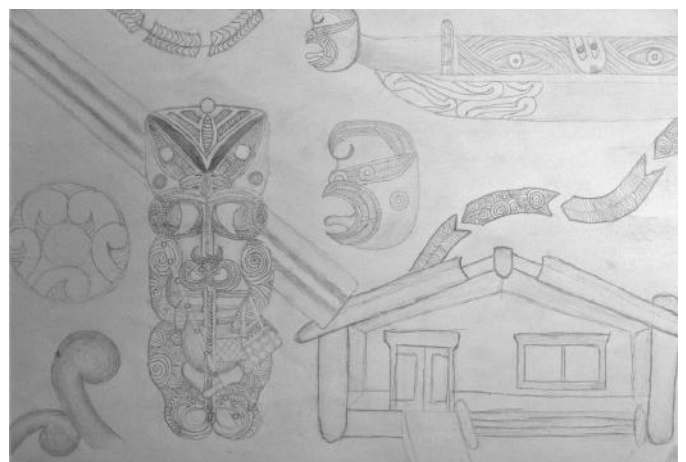


### Film Workshop with Daimon Schwalger

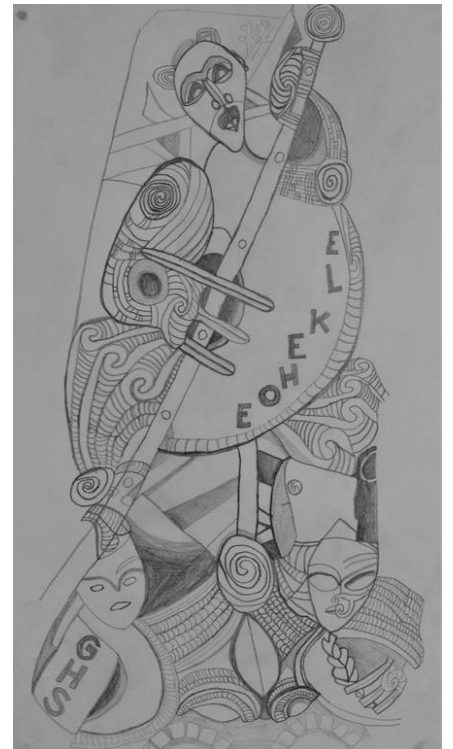
As part of three workshops sponsored through STAR funding Daimon Schwalger musician and NOMAD business man came through to work with students from Greymouth in Photography, Film and Music. The Film workshop was held on the 10th/11th May in the Drama room. The goal was for students to learn what all the parts of the film camera are, how to create special effects, lighting, etc. Alan Bolenger was the special guest for the course who gave the students some in depth knowledge into the life and journey as a filmmaker over the years. Some great experimentation was undertaken by students during the course.









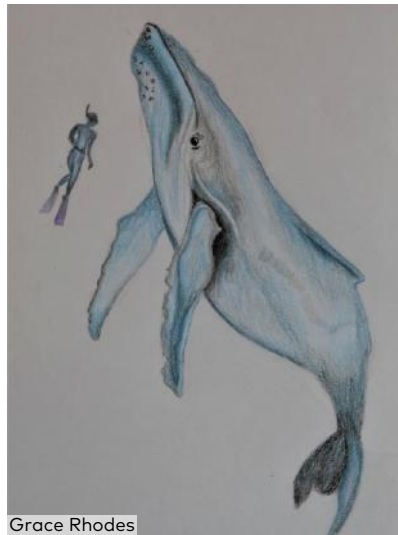




# Level 2 Art & Photography



Paige Taylor



Grace Rhodes



Samantha Hoy



Paige Taylor



Hannah Hsieh



Hannah Hsieh



Chanel Allison



Rata Gurney



Dylan Koleski



Chanel Allison





Isa Shahril



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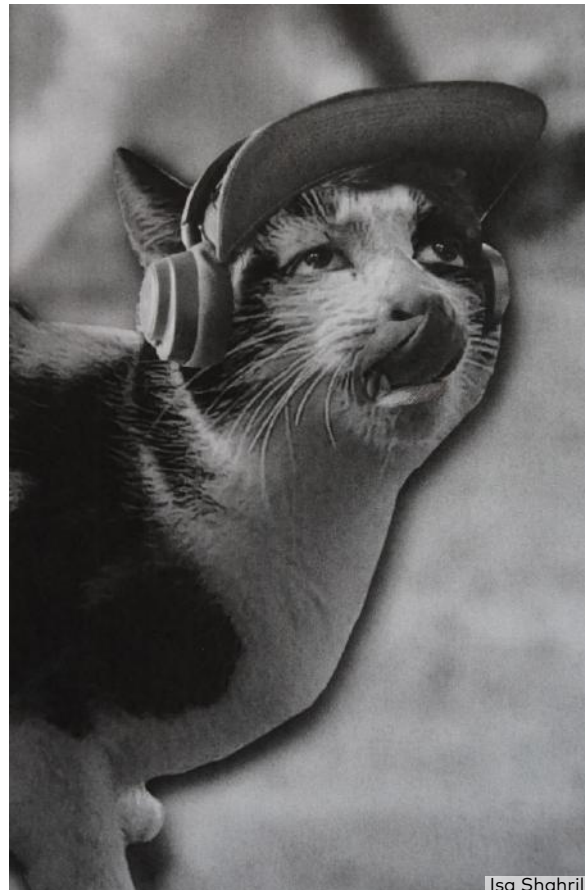
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# SUPPORTED LEARNING

## KIA ORA FROM THE SUPPORTED LEARNING DEPARTMENT

This year we have had a number of staff changes, with our illustrious Head of Department, Annette Jones taking up a new opportunity closer to home after many years of commuting from Westport. Annette has been ably replaced by our former GHS Learning Support Coordinator, Miriam Rees, who was able to slot right in having already learnt the ropes in this role. Miriam is a very experienced educator with a background in Structured Literacy, Alternative education and more. She also has her own business, Blue Spur Milk and Honey, which makes natural, Eco-friendly products from her own goat's milk, beeswax, honey and medicinal plants from her garden. Miriam's previous Learning Support position has been filled by Donna Ellis, who comes to us from her role of Learning Support Coordinator at John Paul 2. We also have a Supported Learning Specialist Teacher, Shelly Chapman, who was the previous HOD of Technology at GHS. Shelly currently works part time while setting up an Eco tourism venture. Shelly teaches our Teen Skills class and works with one of our students to help him create content for his YouTube channel. Shelly also supports Miriam with Administration and works with parents to create Individual learning plans for their children, as does Miriam.

A big thanks goes out to our amazing Teacher Aide team which now sits at 15. We couldn't have run this department without their wisdom, hard work and compassion.



Miriam Rees



Donna Ellis



Shelley Chapman

## Employment and Life Skills

This is the second year of this course which is run through Whenua Iti Outdoors. Over the course of the year our senior students have enjoyed the opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoor activities designed to stretch them and increase their confidence on four 2-3 day block courses.



Jemma, Zak, Keiran, Charlie (Tutor) and Jaese on the Grandjean Walk



Kirsty + Whenua Iti Tutor, Lucy under the rock overhang at the Truman track.



Jaese on the Truman Track



Jemma and Jaese feeding the animals



Kirsty on the Treetop walk



Luka, Jemma, Kirsty, Carlos from South Westland High, Blake from Westland High, and Tutor, Lucy at Bradley House with the team building ping pong challenge



Kirsty and Max cook up a storm on the Rapahoe Beach.



Zak and a WHS student enjoy the 360 degree view on the Tree Top walk



## Teen Skills

This year our Boys to Men group has morphed into Teen Skills with the addition of some of our younger boys and female students. This year everyone has been making a small box from recycled pallets. Skills learnt include marking and measuring, sawing, using clamps, a drill, glue, hammer and nails, sanding and painting. Discussions have also been underway for the programme next year where students will earn badges for life skills they will need when leaving home such as Clean house, Let's get physical (exercise), Green thumb (gardening), Computer Geek, Masterchef, Social Skills and more. Students will choose from a list of skills to master in each section, with some work being undertaken at home. Once they earn five badges they will be eligible for a Teen skills badge at the end of the Year.

Photos L-R: Jaese sanding, Levi planing wood. Zak sanding and Tom sawing his wood. Jaese and Jemma hammering. Bella with her box with doors.



## RDA

Several of our junior students attend Riding for the Disabled. This helps them with their strength, balance and confidence. Pictured are Levi on Cruze, Bella on Toby, Levi and Bella caring for Sandy the horse.



## Aqua jogging, Swimming and the Gym

Recently during Electives our students have been going to the Rec centre for Aqua jogging. Seniors also regularly have swimming and the gym as part of their weekly programme. These are activities they can continue on leaving school at age 21.



Photos above: Jemma practises her dive. Kirsty and Jemma at the gym, trying out the gear. Photos left: Luka and Tom on the beast. Jaese the strongman.

## Art4Me

Several of our students attend the Art4me programme run by Westreap at the Baptist church. Left: Kirsty is enjoying her felts, Max his painting, while Anitipare helps one of the ladies cooking the snacks for the group.





## Work Experience

This year most of our senior students have been attending Work Experience.

Kirsty Fayen helped to scan items for a customer and assisted Steve from the Giant Departmental Store stack the animals she had unpacked that morning. Jemma Johnson also attended Work Experience at the store and has also been offered a placement next year. Thanks to the Manager, Chetan and the wonderful Marcia and Alisha who are doing a great job training the girls up on the till, pricing and stacking shelves.

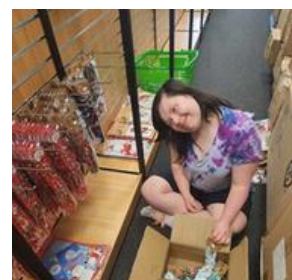
Jaese Franklin has work experience at the Cobden School Library.

Thanks also to Matt and Steph from the Greymouth Top 10 Holiday park for taking on one of our Greymouth High School students, Zak Bourke. Zak is pictured below seated in the work ute before they start work for the day. Work includes weeding, spraying, lawn mowing and edging, painting and general maintenance. Zak is really enjoying his work placement.

Earlier in the year both Max Fountain and Jaese Franklin attended several sessions at the Rewanui Animal Park feeding and cleaning the enclosures for the animals.

Mrs Chapman also got some help for one day, at her place, with the boys removing an old deck.

**A big thank you to all the businesses and establishments who have given our students the opportunity for work experience**



## Dance

Juls Boddy from New Horizons has volunteered to take our students for Dance lessons in Term 3 and also 2024. Here are Jemma and Kirsty after their dress rehearsal in the school hall. The girls then went on to perform at the Regent theatre. (Right) Students and TA's at their recent dance class.



## Social Skills

Students also learn about how to interact with others during our Social Skills class. Here Kirsty and Zak figure out how big their personal space bubbles are.



## School Ball

Some of our senior students had a great time attending the school ball with Jemma Johnson winning best dancer!



Photos above L - R: Teacher Aide Wendy Dickey with Jemma and Kirsty. Rykar, Kirsty Fayen, Jemma and Zak.

## School lunches

School lunches have been a big hit with the students. Thomas Birchfield has the special job of going to pick the lunches up from the cafe area at morning tea time. Most students choose to eat them and then have a snack at lunchtime. The burgers are by far the most popular.





## SPOLY

Every Friday afternoon our students join with people with disabilities from the Greymouth, Hokitika and surrounding community to play basketball or on alternate weeks have swimming lessons. This is called Spoly.

### Spoly Basketball Tournament and Skills Event

In September students from our Supported Learning Department teamed up with three other players from Westland and South Westland High School to take part in a Special Olympics basketball event with five other teams from as far afield as Nelson and Canterbury. After a morning competition of passing, shooting and dribbling, teams then played three games each. Great fun was had by all.



## Science Experiments

Our students in TWK have recently begun experimenting as part of their Social Skills and Cooking classes. They have been using the 'Kitchen Science Cookbook, and equipment supplied by our ever helpful Science Technician, Lynne Rothery. Their first experiment was discovering who had the dirtiest hands as well as testing a range of other objects such as the inside of their shoes, door handle, phone and chromebook. Other experiments have been making sugar crystals, colouring daffodils and making Edible Earthworm on Oreo dirt.

Some comments from the students about what they liked about science:

Bella: I really enjoyed making the sugar crystals but sad I couldn't eat them.

Kirsty: I would like to do some stuff on space next.

Jemma: I like to see what grows on our Petri dishes.

Jaese: I liked reading the ingredients.

Zak: I liked working as a team and helping others, I'm enjoying doing Science.

Levi: I like making Hokey Pokey, but didn't like the way it tasted.

Tom: I like helping Mika with hers.

Luka: I like when we all work as a team.

Anitipare: I love doing science.



Photos L - R: Mekia proudly displaying her artwork & Jaese holding a bunny.  
Below: Teacher Aides & students on an afternoon bushwalk



## C1 and TWK activities

Our students are in mainstream classes as much as possible but we also have two dedicated teaching spaces for a variety of different classes and activities. There is also always time for a little fun, for example, Jemma having fun with her favourite chair (right)



## Fashion Parade

Earlier in the year Luka, Bella and Kirsty had fun dressing up in the Drama room clothes to get ready for a Fashion Parade. Unfortunately due to some schedule changes we did not get to have the actual parade but much fun was had by all trying on the clothes, choosing possible music and practising our walks and poses.



Photos L - R: Luka as a dancing teddy, Bella in Pink, Luka as Michael Jackson and Jim Morrison & a bird



# BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

## Year 9 Financial Literacy (Banquer High)

Banquer High is a digital financial education simulation that gives students hands-on experience in earning money, saving, spending, renting, buying a house and the share market. Students explored a range of essential financial concepts which will prove useful in the future.



## Year 10 Business and Enterprise

Have you ever considered the links between skills needed for the Coast to Coast and being an entrepreneur? It is an interesting exercise and one the Year 10 Business and Enterprise students looked into in depth. They also looked at innovative ways technology can be used in NZ farming, the marketing mix (product, price, place and promotion), and ways to earn an income.

## Level 1 Business Studies and Economics

These students studied marketing, planning a business activity, demand and supply, and how one person's spending is another person's income.

2023 was the final year of the current NCEA course. From 2024 this course will be called Commerce and combine Business Studies, Economics and Accounting.

## Level 2 Business Studies

Level 2 Business Studies students learnt about banking services, ways to increase income, budgeting, and buying property.

## Level 3 Business Studies

Level 3 Business Studies students completed a marketing plan and a sustainable business activity. In Term three when Mr Lindsay Robertson returned from leave, he was able to work with the Level 3 Business Studies students on their University Entrance assessments. His enthusiasm and dedication was appreciated.

## Entrepreneurs in Action

Chanel Allison attended the Young Enterprise Entrepreneurs in Action weekend at the end of June in Wellington with 60 other students from throughout New Zealand.

Chanel worked with eight other students on two business challenges, hosted by One NZ.

In the first challenge requiring students to incorporate Māori stories in their business, her team Kete placed 3rd, with a Matariki-themed planter box and seed packets with educational QR codes. For the second challenge promoting NZ wine in Europe, Taste the Journey used VR technology in their marketing.

## The Patch of Life Young Enterprise Company

*Tote bags made from second-hand clothing.*

Ian Musson - Head of YES at Young Enterprise with Caity Grant-Hows, Phoenix Fowler, Chanel Allison and Willow Dunlea at the YES Pitch.

The Patch of Life Young Enterprise company was a West Coast Regional Finalist.





# SCIENCE

## New Staff for 2024

After nine years, our Head of Department Morag Newberry retired early in the year to spend more time with her family and her garden. We all want to thank her for hard work building up science at Greymouth High, and all fond memories we share. Ciaran Tangney also made the decision to move to Australia to further his career and travels, while Manu Somerville is moving to Austria in 2024 to be with their husband. We thank both for their creativity and hard work over their time at our school, and will miss them greatly.

We have been lucky enough to find excellent replacements for these staff with McDonald Mugonopanja joining us from South Africa, and Rajasegvar Selvasegaran from Singapore.

We are delighted to have them join our department and their families join our community. I have been very impressed with how quickly they picked up their courses and formed great relationships with the students. We also hosted Nick Secker from Blackball as a student teacher this year, and we are very happy that he has decided to join us next year to start his teaching career.

While he claims to have retired more than half a decade ago, I also want to acknowledge Neil McKinley, the best reliever a department could hope for, and in truth the students are sometimes happier with him than their assigned teacher, which I try not to take personally. Finally, we are indebted to Sandra Hyslop, a former teacher who stepped in for term 2 to cover the gap between Mrs Newberry finishing and Mr Mugonopanja beginning.

## Chemistry/Physics trip to the University of Canterbury

Our annual trip to the University of Canterbury set out this year on a bus loaded with excited students, working towards standards for Level 2 Physics and Level 3 Chemistry. They had been preparing for several weeks, the physicists learning about radioactive decay and nuclear reactions, while the chemists had been testing analysis methods and preparing experimental samples.

On the first day the physicists had a tour of the university and some of their physics and engineering labs, while the chemists got stuck into synthetic chemistry, making aspirin crystals and Ethyl butyrate (the chemical responsible for the smell of pineapple lumps). After swinging by Burger King and a chippie for some kai, we settled in at Spencer Park Holiday camp for the night, by happy chance spending much of the evening with a group of students from Buller High.

After a variable amount of sleep, the students packed up their gear, cleaned their rooms and set out for a full day in the lab. The physicists spent the day visiting Rutherford's den and measuring the half-lives of radioactive metals, while the chemists carried out their imaginative experiments, doing horrible chemical things to innocent solutions of orange juice, tea and milk. With their experiments complete and their credits secured, we headed back to Greymouth for a well earned weekend. Our thanks to Canterbury University for hosting us so well every year.



## 2023 Science Fairs

At the end of term 2, our junior students were busy working on their Science Fair projects to compete in the Greymouth High School Science Fair. After several weeks of brainstorming, planning, building and blue-tacking they were ready to show their research to the world. As always there were some highly imaginative projects, such as the effects of spinning around too fast on mathematics or what sort of bike does the best skids, but in the end the prize winners of this competition were...

1st Year 10: Nova Washer, Ashley Weir with "Does Colour affect our choices?"

2nd Year 10: Pyper Mahuika, Neve Tacon, Milah Boniface with "How much Vitamin C is in juice?"

3rd Year 10: Miro Horrox, Sophie Whittaker, Indi Robbins with "Does music muck up your memory?"

1st Year 9: Danica Marusich and Emma Newton with "Does Gardening cost the earth?"

2nd Year 9: Cara Bull and Madison Cousins with "Alcohol vs DNA"

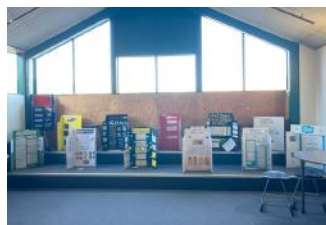
3rd Year 9: Eleanor Harrington and Morj Butler with "What QWST class is best?"

People's choice: Casey Ellery, Molly Talyor, Pippa Fahey with "Do boys or girls have a higher pain tolerance?"\*

Once we had our winners from the school competition, it was time for the West Coast Science Fair, this year hosted at Greymouth High. Students from as far north as Westport, as far south as Hokitika and as far east as Moana came to see what other students had made and show off their research. The overall standard of science was exceptional, and we were especially happy with the quantity and quality of projects from year 7 and 8 students in primary schools.

When the winners were announced we were particularly proud of our own Emma Newton and Danica Marusich who came away with the top prize for year 9 students, and courtesy of sponsorship by Harcourts a very substantial cash prize. We would like to thank all the students for their outstanding work, as well as the judges from the West Coast Regional Council, DOC and senior students from Greymouth High and JP2.

\*Girls, apparently



## Science Roadshow

On the 20th of October we were visited by the Science Roadshow, a truck and trailer full of more than sixty exhibits, covering such interesting topics as negative pressure, arcing electricity, gearing ratios, microscopy and much, much more. This year we hosted the Roadshow in our hall, as groups of students from school all around came to see the show, as well as our own QWST classes.

In addition, a group of our students kindly volunteered to be demonstrators for the day, helping show their peers from the Grey district all the interesting devices and experiments they had to show. The managers of the Roadshow were incredibly impressed by our demonstrators, and we are very grateful to them for their hard work.

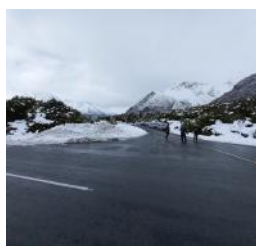




### Orana Park trip

Our Year 13 Biology students have been studying human evolution for one of their exams, and as part of this course they visit Orana park to see some of our distant relatives. This included the relaxed gorillas, the timid lemurs, and the not at all timid gibbons. The latter were happy to scream, make out and scratch themselves enthusiastically in full view of everyone. As well as the live animals, we also used their collection of replica skulls of various extinct human ancestors, some of whom bore striking resemblances to certain people we knew.

As well as being a very fun trip, Orana park provided an excellent educational experience with all the hands-on activities, making the theory we have been learning in class concrete, which is showing in the student's rapidly increasing mastery of Biology, plus we all know far more about skulls than we ever thought possible or necessary. We thank Orana park for their hosting and Alex Hume for helping us on the trip.



### L3 ESS Gaunt Creek trip.

On Monday the 16th of October, Our Earth Space Science group went on a road trip to Gaunt Creek. Gaunt Creek is one of the few places in the world where you can actually reach out and touch a plate boundary fault line! Once we arrived at Gaunt Creek we had some difficulty finding the outcrop but once we found it we went for a walk in the rain all the way to the creek. The crossing wasn't fun as it was about knee deep freezing cold water. Once we made it across we had a short climb before finding the cataclasite, which is the deformed rock marking the plate boundary.



### ESS Y12 trip to Tekapo

The L2 Earth and Space Science class visited Tekapo to learn more about our night sky and the geology of the area. The trip nearly didn't go ahead with the Arthurs Pass initially closed due to heavy snowfall. Fortunately, we did get away, stopping along the way for the occasional snow fight. The first evening we went stargazing being shown the different constellations and features of the night sky. The following day we drove out to the Mt Cook village but were unable to complete the Hooker Valley Walk due to the heavy snow. The information center gave a comprehensive overview of the geology and geography of the area (plus more snow fights). The trip was topped off by some students taking a dip in Lake Tekapo and a visit to the hot springs in the town. A huge thanks to Lyn Rothery for her help driving and managing the students.

### ESS Caving trip: Charleston

The Y11 ESS class headed out to Charleston to explore the limestone cave system in the cliffs behind the Nile river. Students were guided down deeper and deeper into the cave system before tubing along the final section, with glow worms lighting the way. Emerging from the cave system, students tubed down river before heading back to the base. Many thanks to Underworld Adventures for taking the class on this trip.



# MATHS

## Staff Changes

At the end of 2022 we farewelled HoD Angela Seyb as she moved to a position at the Ministry of Education, helping schools to implement changes to NCEA across the region. We welcomed Dr Nic Petty and Clairol Tiden to the team at the beginning of the year. With the departure of maths teacher aide Aaron Palmada during the year, we have been joined by Jacinda McBride. Following an extensive worldwide search, we appointed our new HoD Rodgers Chihwai.

*I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as the new Head of Mathematics Department for Greymouth High School!*

*With over 10 years of experience in mathematics education, I am passionate about helping students achieve their full potential. My goal is to create a challenging yet rewarding mathematics program that prepares students for success in college and beyond. I plan to work closely with the other colleagues in the department to develop innovative teaching strategies that will engage students and make mathematics more accessible. Together, we can improve numeracy levels among students and help them succeed in their academic careers!*

~ Rodgers Chihwai



## Level 1 NCEA Pilot

During 2023, we were involved in piloting the new Level 1 NCEA standards. While it was not always smooth sailing, our year 11 students have been well-engaged in their learning throughout the year and put in their best efforts in their assessments.



## Cake Pops

Year 11 numeracy class were exploring volume and surface area of spheres, so Dr Nic created an exercise around cake pops and the amount of chocolate coating. After a teaching observation Mrs Mortimer insisted that it become a practical exercise. Dr Nic was pushed outside her comfort zone, and the students made cake pops. They were surprisingly good.





# NGĀ HERE KAHIKATEA

This year in Ngā Here Kahikatea we have been visiting Whare Manaaki, some of the kaupapa of our visits have been the unveiling of a pou made by one of our students (Jamaal) and to waiata to kaumatua and perform kapa haka for manuhiri to Te Tai Poutini. We have had many mau rākau wānaka including one at Arahura Marae, one at JP11 and two here at our kura. At these wānaka, we joined with other kura to share kai, learn mau rākau and learn haka. It was a great experience.



Some of our students went on a trip to Ōtautahi for the regional Manu Kōrero competition. It was awesome to be in a space where everyone was culturally immersed and speaking reo all day. It was awesome to be at the pōwhiri where the whole school (Kaiapoi High) was doing their haka - including all of the teachers. It has inspired some of our ākonga to try and enter in 2024.

We have also been to Arahura awa to hear pūrākau and look for pounamu as well as a weekly visit to the hospital to waiata. We have also been lucky enough to have Eli Maiava give our class some taonga pūoro and come along to teach us how to use them. Some of our students have been working hard to bake cakes and make kai following recipes in te reo Māori. We have been really enjoying eating the amazing kai that they have made. And have been lucky enough to have some te reo wānaka at Arahura Marae too, these have been great experiences for us.



Recently we have been asked to do some performances at Whare Manaaki and for the opening of the basketball courts at school. It is really hard to perform in front of our peers. We hope in the future that this becomes easier as te reo and tikanga Māori becomes more normalised at our kura. We have had a



day where we taught our school haka to house groups. It went well, but it really needs to be something that happens more often so that everyone at our kura knows the haka.

## Kapahaka

This year our kapa haka group was the strongest it has been in a long time. We worked together all year and had weekend workshops and poi noho. We travelled to Reefton to compete against other schools from Te tai Poutini. We did really well and brought back taonga (awards) for being first, first equal or second in all categories. We ended up being second overall. We came away from the competition feeling kotahitanga and determined to improve even more for next year. We have already started working towards next year's bracket.



We were lucky enough to have brand new kapa haka uniforms this year. They looked stunning. Our talented artist - Alec created an amazing flag to represent our kura at the Kapahaka competition.





# HEALTH AND PE

Ben Louie



## What were your highlights for the year?

Getting students participating in sports activities and developing skills towards being competent in those sports. A good intake of seniors in a range of EOTC activities for Outdoor Education participating in high ropes, rock climbing, rafting and kayaking.



## Did you overcome any challenges this year?

With the PPTA industrial disruptions it was a funny year managing learning and also being consistent trying to get students on track developing habits away from school during the rostered days off that occurred



## What did you enjoy in 2023?

Working with our industry partners (Tai Poutini Polytechnic, Boyle River) to develop meaningful outdoor experiences for our students is always a pleasure to see during the year.





# ENGLISH

## 2023 has been a busy year!

We welcomed several new staff members into the English Department this year. We are fortunate to have Whaea Ann Zachan, Miss Laura Starling, Ms Susie Gilroy and Miss Sian Utton joining us, bringing their ideas and expertise to Greymouth High School. Ms Gilroy is also teaching Art and is leading Qwest, while Miss Utton is managing the school's social media accounts.

This year, our department was part of the NCEA Pilot Programme, offering the new English standards at Year 11. It was a lot of new learning for both our students and teachers, but we have seen some great writing in the new external standard, and a high pass rate for the Literacy: Reading test. Fewer, bigger standards have allowed teachers to focus on the learning, in themed classes that focused on food, sport, gaming, heroes and villains, and dystopia.

A new module at Year 9 has helped students practice their research skills, under the experienced guidance of Ms Ann Kieran. The Year 9s investigated some serious ethical quandaries, like whether animals belong in zoos, whether we should only buy organic fruit and veg, or whether animal testing should be banned. Cara Bull (9E) investigated sweatshops, and found out that "[m]illions of children between the ages 5 and 14 don't get any choice in working in these conditions and don't get the option to go to school because they get forced to work in sweatshops."

Year 12s and 13s produced some excellent creative writing for their writing portfolios this year:

Marly Shenouda reflected on growing up...

"As I leave the stifling walls of my chrysalis, and enter the driver's seat of my car I see them all again. Every version of my youth sitting in a row on the porch. Some with tears in their eyes terrified to leave childhood, and some giddy at the future to come. Their naivety strikes me, their only worries were wanting to fit in, spiders, heights or having their food touch on a plate ... and yet they wished the time away. So focused on the future that they forgot to live in the present, forgot that one day they will be eighteen, the adult they always wished to be. Only to find the loneliness they never expected, and how I wish I could tell them to just stop, and feel."

...while Ella Mahuika asked questions about the reality we live in...

"In a world where everyday life feels more like a never-ending loading screen, the Simulation Hypothesis emerges as the ultimate 'lag' excuse for our chaotic existence, offering a comically convenient explanation for every glitch in reality's code. Could this 'Simulation Hypothesis' be true? Yes, it could. But, in the overall scheme of things, it is very highly unlikely. Are we really trapped in a game of Sims, or have we simply run out of convincing excuses for forgetting where we put our keys?"

...and Brigid Gallagher unearthed a letter written from Catherine of Aragon to Henry VIII!

"Deep in your heart you must know it to be true as well. There have been many unfortunate outcomes of our children remembering also our daughter Mary who I have seen you so tenderly love, but who in recent years has suffered your recent cruel ways. Do not harm her any further. She is one legitimate child who cares a great deal for her future kingdom. I beseech you to be a good father unto her."

9E and 9F were writing poems with Ms Gilroy this year, and a few made it into a booklet that went to the National Poetry Day event held at the Gloria in Blaketown. Here are some pages from their zine:



## THE GREY GREY

By Eleanor Harrington

Driving outta town  
The sky's dark grey  
Like the heavens are about to open up  
and soak us ay? Dark grey.

and wet  
and humid too.

Grey, grey  
mouth to feed  
Pretending that I am listening as my sister and  
dad talk about their day

But I'm

'Bout to go home and rest after a long day  
at school stuck inside, inside the grey.

and we

'Bout to get hot chips  
Parkys  
and hang out  
in the sun  
that's peeking through the grey.



## Across the Tracks

On my way home  
Microwave on the train track,  
eh bro  
Smashed into pieces.  
Sunny, blue skies, fluffy clouds and blazing heat.  
Tired and sore from a big day.

Bag's pretty heavy,  
like a sack of bricks.



ROUNDABOUT VIEW  
SIXTEEN ROOM

BY ARLIAH HOUSTON

The cars zoom by like its a race for whom can win

Getting to the supermarket first

Zoom

Getting the kids from their jail

Zoom

They flood out of the gates like rats abandoning a sinking ship

One..two.. Seatbelts on

They blast past as if they are driving away from a tsunami



9A



BACK row L - R: Ella Hamilton, Sam Mesman, Noah Pritchard, Kira Shaw, Ocean Newman, Fletcher Wilson  
 MIDDLE row L - R: Hunter Spence, Meka Whyte, Tahlia Williams-Green, Mea Sims, Quanika King, Bryalee Bright, Ms Roos  
 FRONT row L - R: Keagan Britton, Ryan Kynaston, Teagan Wafer, Johanna Groot, Luke Wilkins, Chavone Jordaan, Mylee Gibson, Michael Shenouda  
 ABSENT: Bella Wilson, Dean Blythe, Atawhai Dickson, Savannah Morgan, Xavier Whitlock

9B



BACK row L - R: Nathaniel John, Kobie Cruse, Seif Abozeid, Libbie Macklin, Darius Ram  
 MIDDLE row L - R: Noah Wade, Lucas Crook, James Aitken, Wilem Hutson, Levi Johnson, Meikha Prendergast, Ms Starling  
 FRONT row L - R: Jemma Taylor, Jess Drawbridge, Hayley Reading, Klaudia Anderson, Kaedyn Fishburn, Katelyn McCracken, Zigh Pinkerton, Angel Outram  
 ABSENT: Spencer Williams, Bella Sharland, Jon Seifert, Mikayla Knipe, CJ Jacobs, Levi Duncan, Amelia Crook, Brook Clark





**BACK row L - R:** Lukas Williams, Karmi Van Heerden, Lochie Mills, Mackley Hobbs, Kyle Murphy

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Hayden Matheson, Willa Gibson, Penny Anderson, Jarna Franicevich, Charlotte Palenski, Troy Fayen, Mr McTaggart

**FRONT row L - R:** Joshua Holliday, Charlotte Koopman, Iris Bradley, Finn Leggett, Ashley-Rose Matthews, McKenna Elwood, Xalia Crombie, Alicia Shaw

**ABSENT:** Aden Bennett-Dewhurst, Veronica Dalzell, Harper De Goldi, Hunter Lee, Jonylene Ebalida



**BACK row L - R:** Whaea Erin, Colin Sparey, Jesse Papa, Hannah Irvine, Emma Newton, Noah Young, Seth Hapeta

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Noah Prendergast, Tom Bermingham, Tai Rushby, Tavis Reynolds, Eilish Fraser, Harlen Marsh, Nia Jackson-Johnson, Calay Harvey

**FRONT row L - R:** Deklan Mort, Casey Ellery, Hannah Claassen, Aurora Harvey-Wattam, Tegan Dense, Molly Taylor, Pippa Fahey, Rian Freeman-Terry

**ABSENT:** Danica Marusich, Thomas Birchfield, Annabelle Coates



9E



**BACK row L - R:** Thomas Jones, Eleanor Harrington, Nate Anderson, Leiden Ruddell, Hunter Templeman  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Dr Hunter, Shyla Wallace, Kiana Cook, Zade Bellis, Austin McIsaac, Cameron Detlaff  
**FRONT row L - R:** Jackson Boyd, Aliyze Fraser-McFadden, Luke Pascoe, Angus Chapman, Cara Bull, Morj Butler, Korban Pope  
**ABSENT:** Stella Clay, Madison Cousins, Jayko Herdman, Harrison Sweeney, Kohen Thompson, Ruby Williamson, Curtis Turner, Xavier Whitlock

9F



**BACK row L - R:** Wills Read, Charli Kerr, Quinn Williams, Gaitau Faulkner, Billy Coleman, Milan Olsen, Arliah Houston  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Finnegan Irvine, Vann De'Ath, Milan Green, Slade Lawrie, Amelia North, Leon Campbell, Kimberly Staiger, Ms Utton  
**FRONT row L - R:** Kyah Moore, Lilly Englebreetsen, Mikayla Shaw, Solomon O'Driscoll, Kayden Gray, Indie Tones-Hartill, Dylan Palmada, Riley Johnson  
**ABSENT:** Lucas Withers



10A



**BACK row L - R:** Cooper Forsyth, Liam Owen, Harley Andrew, Luken Reyland, Molly Meek, Liam Russ  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Blake Gaudin, Latoia Brennan, Kenehi Millar, Maddisyn Wood, Oliver Poulton, Isaac Harrington, Mr Oliver  
**FRONT row L - R:** Toby Steegh, Solly Turley-West, Noah Marris, Jacob Mackinnon, Isabella Morrow, Emma Ballingall, Neisha Sardjanto, Aimee Ford  
**ABSENT:** James Rhodes, Rhylee Clow, Aaron Coutts, Olivia Cowie, William Moynihan

10B



**BACK row L - R:** Jack Perrin-Smith-Kahl, Benny Bruce, Phynix Lagden, Gus Coetser, Jackson Coleman  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Cooper Bulger, Pyper Mahuika, Millah Boniface, Ruby Jackson, Addie Fairweather, Bella Warren, Whaea Ann Zachan  
**FRONT row L - R:** Trinity Knipe, Karlie Bullimore, Neve Tacon, Liam Farrell, Skylah Tones-Hartill, Ayah Honey, Zane Pulley  
**ABSENT:** Hamish Gunn, Nevaeh Kennett, Aaliyah Rana, Lily Reiri, Thomas Seifert



10C



**BACK row L - R:** Indi Robins, Ashley Weir, James Partridge, Brennan Thomas, Harlem Keown  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mr Te Marunui Toki, Jacob Negri, Jodi McKeown, Emma Blyth, Mitchell Harris, Sophie Whittaker  
**FRONT row L - R:** Miro Horrox, Kalani Nieper, Declan Robinson, Zoe Oates, Carter Aitken, Victoria Hutt, Zanda Peagram  
**ABSENT:** Tylah Boddy, Emma Bradley, Shiloh Brown, Sam Drawbridge, Miro Gurney, Summer Panther, Amber Rana, Mercedes Taurima-Leach, Nova Washer, Katie McArthur

10D



**BACK row L - R:** Jesse O'Donnell, Tyler Smith, Marcus Tollison, Lachlan Oliver, Ahi Twyman, Jake Thompson,  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Logun Symonds, Harry Lucas, Aidan Kolesky, Zac Gallant, Hannah Hopkins, Abbie Dey, Mx. Somerville  
**FRONT row L - R:** Kayden Fountain, Jai Thompson, Breanna Turnbull, Hazel Prouting, Jordyn Austin, Jordyn Ritchie, Gracie Symons, Olive Priestley-Hall  
**ABSENT:** Millar Hayden, Natasha Kenny, Zoe Mlambo, Jamie Neilson, Coben Orlonski-Rankin, Maddie Sandrey, Selene Tau, Lincoln Wildbore, Cooper Wilson





**BACK row L - R:** Hunter Crossan, Zita Ludick, George Cronin, Carlos Whyte, Baillie Partridge, Fynn O'Keefe

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Jimi Johnstone, Seth Guile, Jack Thompson, Abie Cleghorn, Grace Ellery-Picard, Whaea Annie Breeze

**FRONT row L - R:** Charlotte Amer, Mylah Neilson, Olive Linton, Gabriella Gillies, Briar Hutchinson, Lily Gamble-Smith, Kyah Gibson

**ABSENT:** Ava Wynd, Caprice Wood, Shannon Black, Alexander Mason, Andrew Linton, Kaden Surman, Kieran Knutsford, Samuel Lowe



**BACK row L - R:** Noah Smith, Levi Newburn, Nikau Dymond, Messiah Taurima-Leach, Zaine Venter, Isaiah Cameron, Jamaal Henry

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Whaea Kylie Bellis, Eden Maiava, John Tierney, Nikau Prendergast, Bella Masters, Isabelle Maiava, Dawn Stanbridge

**FRONT row L - R:** Mackenzie Bromley, Navarah Taylor, Weylah De Seymour, Morgan Burrows, Alec Ferguson, Rivir Crombie, Ruben Rochford, Aiden Sydenham

**ABSENT:** Shannan Newburn, Zyah Karena, Jayden Secker



11A



**BACK row L - R:** Jacob Bull, Riley Wisdom, Seth Manning, Willow Poutu, Jake Rowe  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mr Tom McGirr, Brooke Smith, Tyler Spence, Ivan Zabiya, Trajun Kanara-Smith, Lavina Cosma  
**FRONT row L - R:** Nova Hayden, Sophie Clarke, Anusshika Bhan, Charlie Anderson, Grace Walters, Amy Crooks  
**ABSENT:** Charlie Anderson, Karisa Anderson, Elsie Johnstone, Leah McDowell, Martin Stanton

11B



**BACK row L - R:** Wyatt Brooking, Alex Barlow, Alex Mills, Reid Anderson, Elliot Van der Geest  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Ms Quick, Levi Bromley, Troy Kenny, Zach Cruse, Johnathan Mulhane, Max Tollison, Thomas Hardie  
**FRONT row L - R:** Megan Goord, Summer Fahey, Farhan Khairati, Brock Ritchie, Marlin Rushby, Phoebe Marris, Wairini Iraia  
**ABSENT:** Briea Cashin, Kahlo Dymond, Nevaeh Haronga-Colville, Liam King, Gabe Marino, Taylor Williamson



11C



**BACK row L - R:** Archie Haldane, Korban Bellis, James Van der Geest, Blake MacDonald, Rhys Nolan, Arli Robson

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mrs Su Coutts, Lachlan Williams, Rhys Dumelow, Miro Turley-West, Brayden Williams, Ryan MacKenzie, Vadim Pinkerton, Ryah Keenan

**FRONT row L - R:** Tori Hartil, Kenzie Archbold, Florence Gully, Jemma Russ, Lily Shaw-Jeff, Adison Killkelly, Meesha Ritchie, Keira Collins

**ABSENT:** Karisa Anderson, Shilah Carter, Amber Fenemore, Cailan Freeman-Terry, Deakyn Hands, Katherine Hoyte, Aashna Narayan, Sophie Stewart

11D



**BACK row L - R:** Nathan Kelsall, Alex Staiger, Jason McCracken, Charlie Taylor

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mr Bernard Adams, Jacob Speakman, Aiden Daily, Neo Williams, Jack Topliss, Georgia Maclean

**FRONT row L - R:** Arielle Perchig-Gibli, Lochy Whall, Ethan Macklin, Aamaria Beal, Fariah Kahn, Niah King

**ABSENT:** Ruby Coppins, Larkin Edwards-Donnelly, Jai Englebreetsen, Bayley Farmer, Xavier Gawith, Deklan Gray, William Newman, Bianca Robin, Angelina Robinson, Aoife Roche, Aiden Scattergood, Grace Williams



11E



**BACK row L - R:** Rhys Anderson, Emil Fischer, Rowan Campbell, Myha Coleman  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Jasmine Stevenson, Scarlett Harvey, Alisha Parsons, Ethan Jane, Jess Gallant  
**FRONT row L - R:** Ms Clairol Tiden, Callahan Raynor, Sabrina Smith, Leevy Lancaster, Rykar Buchanan, Jorja Harris  
**ABSENT:** Damian Clark, Shakeira Hackett, Kalani Harper, C-Jay Winiata, Vin Parker, Leon Rawson

12A



**BACK row L - R:** Josh McMillan, Declan McAskill, Nicky Toal, Blake Cleland  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mr McDonald Mugonapanja, Tristan, Matthew Friend, Clem Swinburn, Jeordie Harding, Jorgen Keil  
**FRONT row L - R:** Caysey Johnson, Sasha Ellery, Brodie Goldwater, Cayden Miller, Rata Gurney, Caitlin Boddy  
**ABSENT:** Ebie Rana, Zach Wilkins, Rachel Campbell, Kash King, Natasha Lee, Jake Priebe, Anton Bandason



12B



**BACK row L - R:** Moss Barton, Xavier Annandale, Liam Irvine, Kadyndy Sandrey, Nathan Johnson

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mr Andrew Dempster, Hannah Kelsall, Finn Mitchell, Iris Reynolds, Kacey Oosthuysen, Thomas Howard, Rylan Jackson-Roberts

**FRONT row L - R:** Jade Philpot, Hannah Hsieh, Chanel Allison, Victor Batchelar, Beth Wratten, Grace Rhodes, Zara Kirk-Pont

**ABSENT:** Sam Henderson, Maddi Limmer, Natarlia Moore, Paige Taylor, Cullam Moles

12C



**BACK row L - R:** Morgan McComb, Kristian Hallberg, Dylan Kolesky, Declyn King

**MIDDLE row L - R:** Mrs Susan Smith, Mackenzie Gibson-Ewen, Milan Jamieson, Kaleb Wisdom, Mia Prendergast, Peter Lucas

**FRONT row L - R:** Callan McGuire-Lowe, Brigid Gallagher, Daniel Newton, Katelynn Ford, Rata Rushby, Ayseha Berry-Barnes, Dylan Holliday

**ABSENT:** Kaine Darling, Peaches Gray, Em McAulay, Jaxon Stepkowski, Oshanna Surman, Jazmine Stechmann, Zaheer Kahn



# 12D



**BACK row L - R:** Adi Cosma, Ry Gamble-Smith, Kade Johnson, Will England, Dakota Robins, Jack Henderson  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Ms Kirton, Reagan Boniface, Harvilla Barrow, Kaleb Steel, Harvey Tacon, Callum Brown, Aubrey Wood, Harrison Whittaker  
**FRONT row L - R:** Sinead Flood, Leilani Weil, Delaney Black, Jennae Topliss, Lilly Prouting, Eamon O'Keefe, Staci Bernard, Richelle Cunanan  
**ABSENT:** Morgan Burling, Sebastian Tiller, Adam Price, Liam Stone

# MSA



**BACK row L - R:** Staff Brett Lomey, Anthony de Oliveira, Kharma Irvine  
**FRONT row L - R:** Lara Cleghorn, Gianni Christie, Jahara Duncan  
**ABSENT:** Sean Bain, Jakeb Rochford, Jack Newell, Anu Millar, Marcus McKenzie, Harmony Fictoor



13A



**BACK row L - R:** Isaiah Sheehan-Priest, Raihan Khairati, Richard Meek, Cam Dickey, Jessica Beckford  
**FRONT row L - R:** Mrs Kate Halls, Graceila Courage, Caitlyn Gallant, Jessie Baatjies, Marly Shenouda, Charlotte Allison  
**ABSENT:** Kaleb Farmer, Kaylee Hales, Caitlyn Hamilton, Zoe Hamilton, Ty Wall

13B



**BACK row L - R:** Ethan Parsons, Kaleb Poulton, Cypress Axford  
**MIDDLE row L - R:** Ms Susi Thompson, Kaede Cowan, Ella Mahuika, Ethan Shields, Isa Shahril  
**FRONT row L - R:** Max Wildbore, Anya Williams, Sarah Parker, Cairo Leach, Phoenix Fowler  
**ABSENT:** Miller Anderson, Matthew Hoyte, Jessica Boyd, Jack Ellis, Caity Grant-Hows



13C



**BACK row L - R:** Liam Belcher, Allen Black, Will Black

**FRONT row L - R:** Liam Gurden, Charli Wood, Miko Ginivan-Barrow, Caitlan Williams, Reily Seifert

**ABSENT:** Ms Jo Cheeseman, Mace Robertson, Corbin Bugler, Levi Burgess, Josh Costello, Cody Goord, Destiny Harris, Lavina Spooner

STAFF



**BACK row L - R:** Mr Kent Gallagher, Whaea Erin Connolly, Mrs Kate Halls, Mr Johannes Olivier, Mr McDonald Mugonapanja, Mr Raja Selvasegaran, Miss Laura Starling, Mr Thomas Henderson, Mr Te Marunui Toki, Mx Manu Somerville, Mr Andrew Dempster

**THIRD row L - R:** Mr Wayne Griffin, Ms Susie Gilroy, Ms Jana Roos, Mrs Tealy Lynch, Ms Lauren Evans, Mr Bernard Adams, Ms Sue Calder, Mrs Yvette Roche, Ms Lara Thompson, Mrs Anna Bermingham, Ms Ella Peneamene, Ms Allie Caddie, Ms Clairol Tiden, Mr Alex Hayward, Staff Brett Lomey

**SECOND row L - R:** Mr Ben Louie, Mrs Shelly Chapman, Ms Sian Utton, Dr Nic Petty, Mrs Donna Ellis, Ms Alex Hume, Mrs Kiri Russell, Ms Shona Preston, Mrs Lehanri Kirton, Mrs Fiona Cropp, Mrs Susan Smith, Whaea Kylie Bellis, Mr John DeGoldi

**FRONT row L - R:** Mrs Miriam Rees, Dr Michael Hunter, Mr David McTaggart, Mrs Jayne Wheeler, Mrs Samantha Mortimer, Mr Rowan Haigh, Mr Ian Johnson, Ms Raewyn McKnight, Mr Lindsay Roberston, Mrs Wendy Fleming



# 2023 LEAVERS PROFILES

<b>Name</b>	Charlotte Alison
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Air Force
<b>Dream Job</b>	Flight Paramedic
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In a foreign country
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Chem class
<b>Final quote</b>	"Nothing compares to the life of an underachiever" - NOAHFINNCE



<b>Name</b>	Miller
<b>Class</b>	Druid
<b>Destination 2024</b>	WF 1999
<b>Dream Job</b>	Dungeon Master
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	100% completion
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	3:05
<b>Final quote</b>	"Before you walk you must do the other thing." - Bio 2023



<b>Name</b>	Cypress Axford-Cooke
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Job Hunting
<b>Dream Job</b>	Game Developer
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Social Worker
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	2022 Maths & Stats Minigolf and McDonalds trip
<b>Final quote</b>	"You never know what you have until you lose it"



<b>Name</b>	Jessie Baatjies
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Oh geez, why does everyone keep asking this?
<b>Dream Job</b>	Making music, creating art, and being on stage...somehow all at the same time?
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Hearing overwhelming applause for playing another witch on stage...
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	English with Marly and Kapa Haka 2019 & 2023 <3
<b>Final quote</b>	"I will no longer be carrying photo I.D, you know why? Because people should know who I am." - Sue Sylvester, 2010



<b>Name</b>	Sean Bain
<b>Class</b>	MSA
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Waiouru NZDF base
<b>Dream Job</b>	Forklift diver
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	2022 Hospitality trip to Wellington
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	2020 Senior Basketball Tournament
<b>Final quote</b>	"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."



<b>Name</b>	Jessica Beckford
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury (studying engineering)
<b>Dream Job</b>	If only I could pick one
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Living my Mamma Mia dream
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	The musicals!!!
<b>Final quote</b>	"What, like it's hard?" - Elle Woods <3







<b>Name</b>	Arly Bellis
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Barrister/Famous Musician
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In a covers band
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Staging a class protest for water, not doing any work during quarantine
<b>Final quote</b>	"Out beyond ideas of wrongdoing and rightdoing there is a field. I'll meet you there." — Rumi



<b>Name</b>	Will Black
<b>Class</b>	13C
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury to do a double bachelor degree in Criminal Justice and Law
<b>Dream Job</b>	Police Officer
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	We shall see where life takes me
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Being able to have fun and to share some laughs in Mrs. Smith/Fleming's Creative Industries class
<b>Final quote</b>	As a wise person once told me, "Sweden is the continent, IKEA is the country."



<b>Name</b>	Gracelia Courage
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University
<b>Dream Job</b>	Counsellor
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Waitressing
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	History with Mrs Bermingham and annoying Ethan in History
<b>Final quote</b>	money, money, money, always sunny, in the rich man's world



<b>Name</b>	Liam Belcher
<b>Class</b>	13C
<b>Destination 2024</b>	North Sentinel Island
<b>Dream Job</b>	Old McDonald
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In North Sentinel Island
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	It's been such a great time here that there are too many awesome times for me to express how lovely they were.
<b>Final quote</b>	IDK, you choose.



<b>Name</b>	Corbin Bugler
<b>Class</b>	13C
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Full time work in Greymouth
<b>Dream Job</b>	Owning a business
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	On the dole
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	All the basketball tournaments
<b>Final quote</b>	The games the game - Corbin Bugler



<b>Name</b>	Cameron Dickey
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Otago University
<b>Dream Job</b>	Medical Practitioner
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Declaring Bankruptcy
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Skinning the mice in science
<b>Final quote</b>	I'm not wearing pants in this photo.



<b>Name</b>	Nikau Dymond
<b>Class</b>	NHK
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Studying engineering at the University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Professional bum
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Chasing weka at the Punakaiki Beach camp
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Level 3 Chemistry
<b>Final quote</b>	"I would prefer a faecal transplant" - Kent Gallagher



<b>Name</b>	Phoenix Fowler
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Ara Christchurch
<b>Dream Job</b>	Tattooer
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	A starving artist
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	The leadership camp at the start of the year
<b>Final quote</b>	However much effort you put in is however much result you will achieve



<b>Name</b>	Miko Ginivan-Barrow
<b>Class</b>	13something
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Sri Lanka
<b>Dream Job</b>	Professional food taster
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Next president of the United States
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Putting coins in the blender
<b>Final quote</b>	The people you surround yourself with shape who you are. That's why you'll catch me with the polys.



<b>Name</b>	Kaleb Farmer
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Full time work
<b>Dream Job</b>	Nuclear physicist
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Meatworks
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Year 9 and Year 10 PE
<b>Final quote</b>	Have fun



<b>Name</b>	Caitlyn Gallant
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Professional traveller
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In Iceland
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Te Reo Māori with Whaea Kylie <3
<b>Final quote</b>	Always try your best

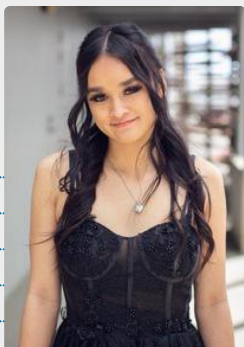


<b>Name</b>	Vanessa Hutt
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Yoobee Art College
<b>Dream Job</b>	The art jobs (all of them)
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Wouldn't you like to know, weather boy?
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	The Covid-19 Lockdown of 2020
<b>Final quote</b>	Run.

<b>Name</b>	Lexie
<b>Class</b>	Year 13
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Probably still in Cobden
<b>Dream Job</b>	Military
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In the Military
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Probably when I did my march out basics
<b>Final quote</b>	Your future is only as good as the work you put into it.



<b>Name</b>	Cairo Leach
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Hopefully Australia
<b>Dream Job</b>	Vet Nurse
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Stuck in Greymouth
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	2023 ball night
<b>Final quote</b>	"I'm only smiling cause it's over"



<b>Name</b>	Ella Mahuika
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Forensic analyst
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	In a ditch
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	2020 Senior Basketball Tournament
<b>Final quote</b>	"Even for this assignment I asked the internet"



<b>Name</b>	Richard Meek
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Scientist
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Dr Meek
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Level 2 Geography Trip when we had a whole big van to ourselves
<b>Final quote</b>	Be yourself; everyone else is already taken. -Oscar Wilde



<b>Name</b>	Ethan Parsons
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Uni (watching my life savings drain away)
<b>Dream Job</b>	NZ Ambassador to the Uk
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	saying "Welcome to McDonald's how may I take your order"
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Reading other peoples favourite GHS moments
<b>Final quote</b>	You might think being a Chairman is relaxing. My goodness you would be wrong.



<b>Name</b>	Kaleb Poulton
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	University of Canterbury
<b>Dream Job</b>	Captain of the Seven Seas
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Drowning
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Mr Adams' philosophy lessons in Geography class
<b>Final quote</b>	The Greatest Tool you will ever Possess, is your Mind.



<b>Name</b>	Reilly Seifert
<b>Class</b>	13C
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Engineering
<b>Dream Job</b>	Engineering
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Still in Greymouth
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	The Year 13 ball and playing rugby for Grey High
<b>Final quote</b>	Up Blaketown





<b>Name</b>	Isa Shahril
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Yoobee College of Creative Innovation
<b>Dream Job</b>	Anime Animator/Illustrator
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	unemployed full time Roblox gamer
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	drawing anime girls in class
<b>Final quote</b>	Anime girls exist... I will find them!



<b>Name</b>	Marly Shenouda
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Studying a BA in Psychology and Criminology
<b>Dream Job</b>	Professional book reader
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Living in another country
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Lv3 English with Jessie!
<b>Final quote</b>	Who cares if I'm pretty if I fail my finals! - Rory Gilmore



<b>Name</b>	Ty Wall
<b>Class</b>	13A
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Gloriavale
<b>Dream Job</b>	AI TikToker
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Joining a pyramid scheme
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Just Dance at the start of each Chem period
<b>Final quote</b>	"TELL EM TO BRING OUT THE WHOLE OCEAN!! 🌊🌊" - DJ Khaled



<b>Name</b>	Korie Shaw
<b>Class</b>	13C
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Anywhere the sun shines
<b>Dream Job</b>	Dancer ;)
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Married with kids at 20
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Leaving xx
<b>Final quote</b>	Up the wahs



<b>Name</b>	Ethan Shields
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Mate I have no clue
<b>Dream Job</b>	Musician
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	Becoming a DOC Ranger or working for the Council.
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Watching my mate slip on mud constancy for a minute straight.
<b>Final quote</b>	I actually finished school, good job efin.



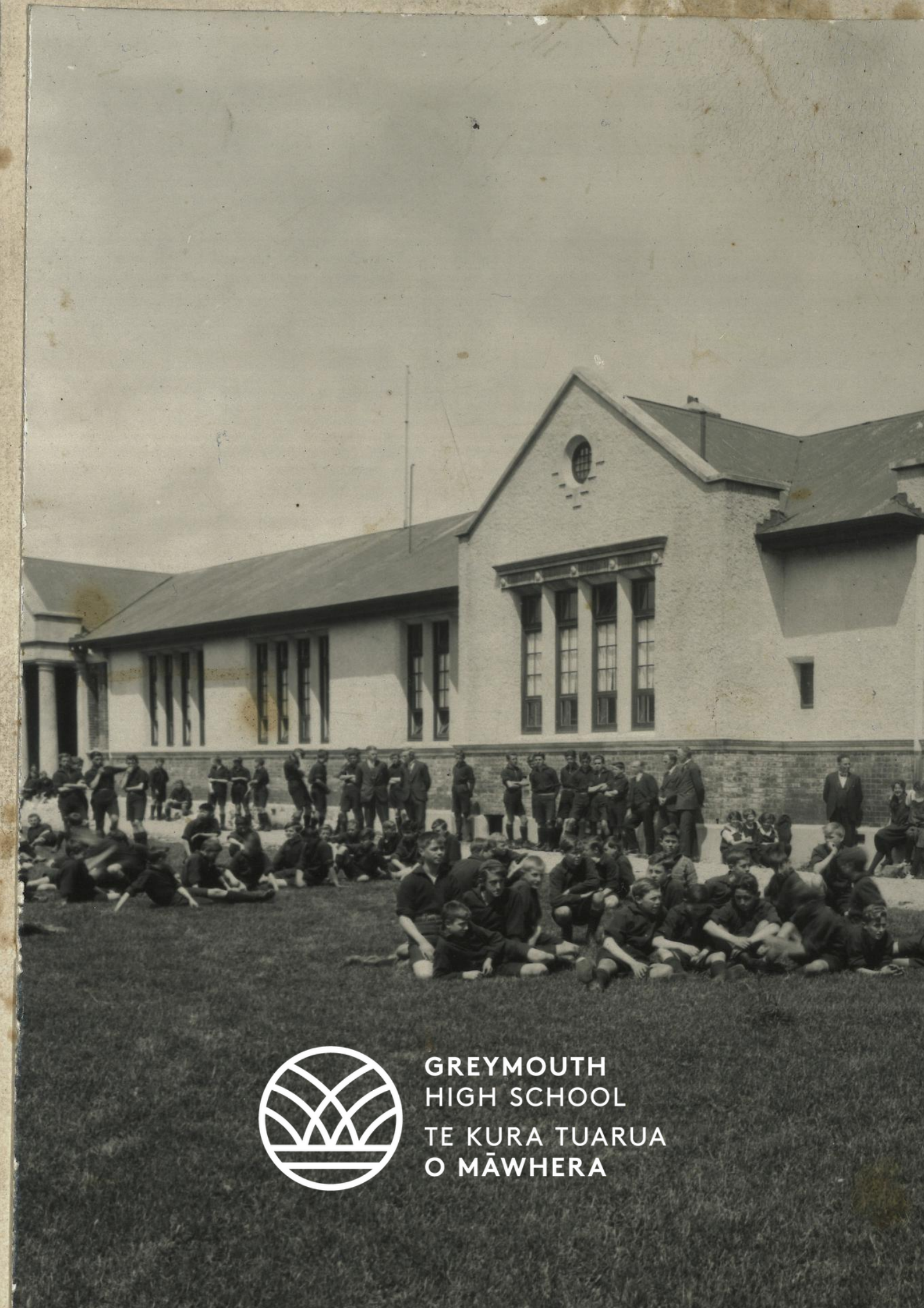
<b>Name</b>	Charli Wood
<b>Class</b>	What Erin's hospo class
<b>Destination 2024</b>	At the One Direction reunion tour
<b>Dream Job</b>	Harry Styles personal photographer
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	as far away from here as possible
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	Masterchef class in Windy Welllys
<b>Final quote</b>	"oh the places you'll go!!" - Dr Seuss



<b>Name</b>	Max Wildbore
<b>Class</b>	13B
<b>Destination 2024</b>	Getting that bread
<b>Dream Job</b>	Sharing my creativity with the world
<b>Will probably end up...</b>	doing what I love, even if it doesn't make money
<b>Favourite GHS moment</b>	All of Year 11 Creative Industries
<b>Final quote</b>	"Don't let anyone convince you something you genuinely enjoy is weird because they are weird for caring so much about what you enjoy" - :)







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