Message from the Principal

Welcome to our first newsletter for Term 4. I would like to take this time to welcome our new families to Heckenberg Public School. I am sure that you will find that our school is a welcoming and wonderful place of learning for your child.

We have many exciting events taking place in the coming weeks so make sure that you check your child’s bag for notes. (Copies of notes are also available on our school website and information is posted onto our school facebook page and new electronic sign)

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus for Week 1 and Week 2 is Be Respectful – Be Fair and Kind to Others. Students are learning to be fair and kind when playing and to be respectful to everyone. Parents and carers can help by discussing respect with their child at home and supporting the school as we work towards being SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS.

Have a wonderful fortnight

Liz Van Der Meulen
Principal

Week 1

Monday 6/10
- Public Holiday
Tuesday 7/10
- First day back to school for all students.
Wednesday 8/10
- No Homework Centre
Thursday 9/10
Friday 10/10
- Parent Café’ – Aboriginal Parent group meeting.

Week 2

Monday 13/10
- K-6 Assembly
- Stewart House Bags due back today (last day)
Tuesday 14/10
- Stage 2 incursion - A look inside the human body
Wednesday 15/10
- Homework centre returns – new notes need to be signed and returned
Thursday 16/10
Friday 17/10
- Multicultural day

Week 3

Monday 20/10
- K-6 Assembly
Tuesday 21/10
Wednesday 22/10
- Homework centre
Thursday 23/10
Friday 24/10
- COS 2168 Community Expo
MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

In celebration of the Mid-Autumn Festival students made and ate delicious moon cakes and shared traditional folk stories about the festival. Here are some interesting facts about mooncakes. Mooncakes are eaten during the annual Mid-Autumn Festival, also sometimes called the Mooncake Festival. This popular festival falls on the 15th day of the 8th month of the Chinese Lunar calendar and celebrates the moon and the abundance of harvest. People eat mooncakes to express their love for their family and their hope for a happy life. It is associated with the autumn equinox when the moon is supposed to appear at its roundest. The roundness of the moon symbolises family unity and harmony.

Thank you Kim, Manh, Fatma and Zaynab for all your help making moon cakes!

HOMEWORK CENTRE

Our homework centre will be starting back in Term 4. We are offering all students the opportunity to participate in homework centre each week, however, there are a limited number of spaces so all students wishing to participate in homework centre will need to complete a new form and return to the office before Wednesday. Notes will be sent home today and are also available on our school website.

Please remember that there are high expectations of behaviour for students attending homework centre. Students who are not able to meet these expectations will not be able to attend.

HECKENBERG PUBLIC SCHOOL’S WEBSITE

Parents and carers are reminded that all notes and information about school events are available to be downloaded from our website.
http://heckenberg-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

PEER MEDIATION

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM ON THE PLAYGROUND?
WHO CAN YOU HELP YOU?
OF COURSE! OUR FRIENDLY PEER MEDIATORS!
WHERE CAN YOU FIND THEM?
THEY’LL BE ON THE PLAYGROUND IN THEIR YELLOW VESTS.

At the end of Term 3, 14 Year 6 students were hand selected and trained in teaching students to solve little problems on the playground and help reduce incidences of bullying in a positive, caring, safe and friendly way. Peer mediation allows for disagreeing students to discuss their problems and come to a resolution with the assistance of our trained mediators.
MISS PHAM
YEAR 6 MINI FETE

Year 6 students are busy working on preparations for the Mini Fete which will be held in Week 10 this term. They are asking for donations of wrapped lollies, chocolates, soft drinks, small prizes, balloons and so forth. Please send all donations to Mrs Lord or Miss Sharon.

Thank you for your support.

Year 6

IT'S ACADEMIC SCREENING

It’s Academic
SERIES 19
Broadcast Dates
Channel 7TWO – 7:30 AM WEEKDAYS
Note: Please advise parents to check TV Guide closer to on-air date for late programming changes which may occur to It's Academic

Your broadcast dates are as follows (subject to change):

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We are looking forward to watching our tv stars on these days.

LUNCH INITIATIVES - TERM 4

There are many exciting initiatives being offered at lunch times this term. Some of the fun activities include:

- art club
- gardening club
- board games
- sport
- drama
- enrichment group
- Koori games
- Multicultural games
- Wii dance
- handball
- library
- quiet games
- band
- choir
- yarning
- skipping group

ICE CREAM SPIDERS

As a part of their Year 6 fundraising, Year 6 are selling ice cream spiders for $1.50 after school each Thursday and Friday afternoon. These are a great way to cool down after a long day working hard at school.
# Assembly Award Recipients for Week 10 Term 3

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Students at Heckenberg are Safe, Respectful Learners.

Term 4 Week 1 and 2 focus:
Be Respectful – Be Fair and Kind to Others

Heckenberg Public School is now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. If you know of any child who turns 5 before 31 July 2015 please advise them to contact the school for an enrolment form.