Welcome to our week 7 newsletter. Staff and students are very busy finalising reports and preparing for our end of year celebrations.

As the year draws to a close, I wish to remind all students of the continued expectations of being a safe, respectful learner at Heckenberg Public School. I expect every child to be able to come to school and feel safe and happy. At Heckenberg Public School we do not tolerate unsafe, disrespectful or bullying behaviour. Parents and carers can support this school expectation at home by discussing appropriate behaviours with their child or children and encouraging them to speak up and tell a teacher if they feel unsafe or unhappy at school.

Please remember that our students are concentrating on learning all day. To ensure that your child and other children are not distracted, we ask that parents and carers wait outside classrooms each afternoon. Students will be dismissed at 3pm when the bell goes.

Thank you to the wonderful students who are respecting our new school expectation of sitting quietly before school and not playing running or ball games. I am proud to say I have been giving many blue hectors out to students doing the correct thing in the mornings.

I was very proud to receive a phone call from another Principal to compliment a sensible student who was crossing the road on South Liverpool Road the other week. Well done to Sylvester for your great use of common sense. You have represented our school well.

Have a great fortnight.

Liz Van Der Meulen
Principal

Week 7
BE SAFE and RESPECTFUL - Keep your hands and feet to yourself
SWIM SCHEME all week
Mon 17/11 - K-6 Assembly
- Selective HS online applications closing date
- Cultural fund day for Yr 6 at James Busby HS
Tue 18/11
Wed 19/11 - Homework Centre
Thur 20/11 - Tiger Tag Gala day
Fri 21/11 - Parent Café`

Week 8
BE SAFE and RESPECTFUL - Keep your hands and feet to yourself
SWIM SCHEME all week
Mon 24/11 - K-6 Assembly
Tue 25/11 - Last day of scripture for 2014
Wed 26/11 - Homework Centre – last day
Thur 27/11
Fri 28/11 - 2015 Leadership speeches
- Parent Café`
- Help us to make some healthy fruit and veg snacks for students.

Week 9
BE RESPECTFUL - Be polite to everyone
Mon 1/12 - K-6 Assembly
Tue 2/12
Wed 3/12 - No Homework Centre
Thur 4/12
Fri 5/12 - Parent Café`
- Constable Mary Watson giving parents advice about bullying – 2pm

Save the Date!

Find us on: facebook.com
Welcome to all of our students and their families to our Week 5 newsletter. The term is certainly flying by and our staff and students are busily working on continuing their learning as we plan for exciting end of year activities.

This week and next week we welcome our new Kindergarten students and their families to Heckenberg PS. If you know of anyone who lives in our area that has a child who is ready to start school please ask them to give us a call on 9607 8672 as it is not too late to participate in our Kindergarten Orientation program.

Last week students enjoyed our K-6 disco. Thank you to the dedicated teachers who took the time to plan, coordinate and supervise this event. A special thank you must also go to the amazing parents who helped out on this day as well.

Thank you to Kindergarten who entertained our grandparents last week at assembly. It was wonderful to have afternoon tea with all of the grandparents who attended. Thank you for coming and please feel welcome to come along to our assemblies each Monday. We love to celebrate our successes with our families.

Have a wonderful fortnight.

ASHCROFT HIGH LEADERSHIP DAY

On the 11 of November 2014, the captains went to the leadership day where all leadership members from all over the neighbourhood come together to celebrate 50 years of leadership.

On that day, we had a multiple array of opportunities to spend time with other people from different schools. We all got a timetable on the way in and we were than separated into different groups A B C D and E. Sarah and Mitchell were in A and Johara and Shvinesh were in C.

When everyone was divided into groups, we all set off to places around the school where we all did activities to know the people that were in our group. First group A, went to Common Room which is when we write down what is personal and how we could improve our studies in school and how we feel about doing things or cooperating with other people. After that we all had to come back to the assembly to ready for 11 o’clock when we will start the remembrance ceremony. The Ashcroft High School students had made a slideshow for the ceremony and showcased it at the assembly. We then had the one minute silence, sang the National Anthem and we had morning tea. For morning tea everyone got a popper and piece of fruit.

We then each had to fill out a slip that asked us how to be a good leader. We kept the sheet until the end of the day before we could give it back. Next our group ‘A’ had drama. We had to do a bullying scene where it helps you to avoid, report and solve bullying problems. The teacher we had would give us 1-4 lollies for just volunteering or being a part of the scene and participating. I ended up with 5 lollies!! Before the day ended, we took the test to put on a Pedometer and play a mini soccer game to see how many steps we can get up to. Some of us at the end shook our Pedometers to get more steps!

Finally the day ended and we all gathered to the assembly hall. We were supposed to watch a video of the bullying scene from each group, but they didn’t finish in time, so we just finished our questions and returned our slips. Everybody went back to school and Mrs Lord was running a little late to pick us up – I think she has baby brain!

By: Sarah ♥

THE AMAZING FOOTY PLAYERS FROM HECKENBERG PUBLIC SCHOOL

On Monday 10th November, there were some amazing footy players who played at Ashcroft High School. The day was filled with learning different footy skills and playing lots of tackle footy.

Why were they amazing? Hmmm… They were cooperative, good sports players and shared the ball around. Even the other schools were passing the ball to each other. They were so amazing that they didn’t whinge about having a turn. We were having fun tackling people, running and passing. The best part of the day was learning the skills and the free sausage sizzle and the free drinks.

Zaid thought that the yellow team was the best team of the day.

Zain thought that he was going to smash the other teams but he actually didn’t.

Hamzei thought he smashed all the other teams (only because he scored a try).

By: Noah, Taaha, Eneliko, Bashar, Zain, Jordan, Mohamad, Hamzei, Mitchell, Tapelu, Zaid and Anthony
LOST PROPERTY

After Friday, all unclaimed items of lost property will be donated to local charities or washed and kept in the office for our clothing pool. Please take this opportunity to look in the wet area just outside of breakfast club to see if there are any of your children’s missing items of clothing.

OFFICE CLOTHING POOL

We would appreciate any donations of smaller size school uniforms as our supplies are very low.

These clothes are vital for when your child may have an accident eg. wet pants or clothes.

If your child has been sent home in a change of clothes, could you please wash and return to school as soon as possible.

Thank you

TIGER TAG

On Thursday 20th November 2014, 1 Junior and 2 Senior Oz-Tag teams competed in the West Tigers Tag Competition at Victoria Park. Despite the 38° weather, all 3 teams put in amazing efforts demonstrating efficiency when getting ready to start the game, demonstrating teamwork, great sportsmanship and fairness on the fields. The students all had different ways to cool themselves down but the whole team thought that Johara’s way of cooling down was the most effective.

Congratulations on your participation teams! A special congratulations to Angelika, Denzel, Tapelu, Kaleasha, Elia and Tahleigh who demonstrated astounding behaviour on and off the fields.

ROTARY CLUB DINNER

Two very special students from our school were selected to attend the Rotary Club student award dinner. Congratulations to Charllom and Darius, you are able to read about their night with Miss Everingham below.

When we got there we signed in and there were only two kids, then more kids came in. Darius saw Miss Everingham signing in and we saved her a seat. When she sat down Darius and I talked to her until eating time. When it was eating time you had to get your own food. There were four dishes that you could have. It was really good! Then the man with the animals arrived and all of the kids got in a circle around him. He got the animals out one by one. The first was a blue tongue lizard. His name was Bubble Gum, and then the dragon lizard named Bob, a tawny frogmouth, a salt water crocodile and a Black headed python named Princess. Miss Everingham dared Darius and I to touch the python to face our fear of snakes and Darius and I dared her to do it too! He said a lot of funny things that made us all laugh. We got to have ice cream for dessert. At the end, the man did a raffle and I won a prize. When all the prizes were won we got to go home. Darius and I had a really fun time and enjoyed touching all the animals.

by Charllom and Darius

PARENT PROGRAMS

Thank you to the great group of parents who attended our CPR training last week. We certainly had a great time with lots of laughs and also learned a valuable skill. When the certificates arrive we will notify you so that you can be presented with your CPR certificate.

Next week (Week 8) we will be making some healthy crunch and sip snacks for our students. Please come along and help us to prepare some fun and healthy snacks for our students.

In the following week (Week 9) we have Constable Mary Watson coming along to speak with families about online bullying and other safety aspects for your child.
Parents and carers are advised that religious instruction (Scripture) will commence in Week 6. Scripture groups offered will be:
- Protestant
- Pentacostal
- Mulsem

At this stage Catholic are not able to provide a teacher for scripture.

Students will be placed in scripture groups according to the information provided upon enrolment. Please notify the school in writing if you wish to make any changes to your child’s scripture group.

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Assembly Award Recipients for Week 6 and 7

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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.

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Students at Heckenberg are Safe, Respectful Learners.

Term 4 Week 7 and 8 focus: Be Safe and Respectful – Keep your hands and feet to yourself.