Welcome to our Week 9 newsletter. This will be our final newsletter for 2015. Wow the term has flown by and staff and students are now busily preparing for our end of year celebrations.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank students, staff, parents and community members for their amazing support of Heckenberg Public School. It always makes me proud to see how we all work together to achieve the best for our children.

2015 has been a busy year of celebration and highlights over the year have been our inaugural Swimming Carnival (look out for notes for our 2016 swimming carnival early next year), 50th Birthday School Concert, 50th Birthday Assembly and open day, Athletics carnival, cross country carnival, gala days, Heckenberg Art Gallery, NAIDOC assembly, Multicultural assembly and reestablishing our P&C. These events have bought our school community together and helped to build upon the wonderful school that Heckenberg Public School is.

A special thank you must go to the amazing and very dedicated staff. These teachers always go above and beyond for our students and prove to me that our school really does exist for children.

I would like to wish students and their families a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone’s smiling faces when they return in 2016.

Thanking you

Liz Van Der Meulen 😊
he school is a PBL school. PBL is Positive Behaviour for Learning. Our PBL mascot is Hector. Hector reminds students to be safe, respectful learners. Each week we have a specific behaviour focus which is taught in all classrooms. The focus for weeks 10 and 11 are:

Be Respectful – Be kind to everyone.

End of Year events

We are very thankful to all of the parents and carers for their wonderful support of our students over the year. As a thank you we are holding a school helper thank you afternoon tea on Monday 7 December at 1.00pm. Following this will be our Celebration of learning assembly.

On Tuesday morning please join us for a tea or coffee at our lovely new café’ tables and chairs near the canteen.

Our cute Head Start class will be having their graduation ceremony on Wednesday morning while the K-6 students are off to their end of year fun day at tic toks (K-2) and Flip out (3-6). This is sure to be great fun.

Stage 3 are off to camp on Thursday and Friday with Miss Pham, Miss Elston, Mr Grenfell and Mrs Van Der Meulen. We will post lots of pictures of our fun on Facebook.

In our final week we have Presentation day, talent quest and reports going home on Monday 14 December, we will finish the day off nicely with ‘Carols at the Berg’ which runs from 3.30 – 4.30 on the back oval. Our P&C will be selling sausages and cold drinks. Please come along and join us on this day.

Our Year 6 farewell will be held on Tuesday night and Wednesday is the last day of 2015 for our students.

2016 Organisation

As we begin our planning for 2016 it is important that we know which students will be returning to Heckenberg Public School in 2016. If you know that you are moving and your child will be attending a different school next year, please contact the front office to advise us. Additionally, if you know of any students who will be attending Heckenberg next year (in Kindergarten or any other year) please ask them to contact the office so that we can plan for them when we are forming our classes for 2016.

As we are still finalising numbers, classes are unable to be formed at this stage. Several staff members who have been on leave will be returning to Heckenberg and we are looking forward to working with these teachers again.

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Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards at assembly.

**Super Gold**
- Angelina N
- Jonathan N
- Virag S
- Arlia F
- Richard N
- Ramzei A
- Aenaz B
- Omar C
- Sky M
- Julie N
- Tony N
- Kaleasha P
- Darya S
- Julie T

**Gold**
- Lorraine B
- Hafes E
- Courtney F
- Tahleigh M
- Laura T
- Danna N
- Aden S
- Esteban A
- Aini B
- Jannah G
- Tina L
- Ken N

**Silver**
- Raafat A
- Ethan M
- Tyrhys L
- Wottana C
- Alize R
- Layla F
- Leslie M
- Elizabeth S

**Bronze**
- Caleb
- Brayden

**Merit**
- Shayne H
- Levi P
- Layla F
- Tyrhys L
- Kaleasha P
- Reeneve V
- Salwa H
- Meriam A
- Karar M
- Flynn M
- Sky M
- Markus T
- Vashiti B
- Angelina N
- Darin S
- Assiya T

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**Mini Fete**

Last Friday our students had a wonderful time at the Mini Fete. Miss Pham and the Year 6 Poseidons worked very hard to plan a fantastic day. Congratulations to all students for their safe and respectful behaviour on the day.