



Diary Dates

September

- Wed 2nd – Rest and Recharge Day
- Tues 8th – Review Day #1
- Thurs 10th – Review Day #2
- Fri 18th – Last Day of Term Three

Good afternoon everyone. This time last week I looked out of my office window and could see snow falling; today the sun is shining and spring is definitely on the way. I hope that this little bit of sunshine gives you all a boost as we head into the last few weeks of lockdown.

With three weeks of the term to go, we know that everyone has been working incredibly hard and we also know that at this point of the term, and remote learning, students and some families are beginning to feel tired – very tired! It is for this reason that we have decided to have a special themed day next Wednesday, that will aim to give everyone a chance to recharge and refocus, so that we finish Term Three remote learning on a high.

Next Wednesday, the learning focus will not be on Reading, Writing or Maths. Instead the focus will be on recharging and doing something that our students and their families find calming and restful. Teachers will not be online next Wednesday.

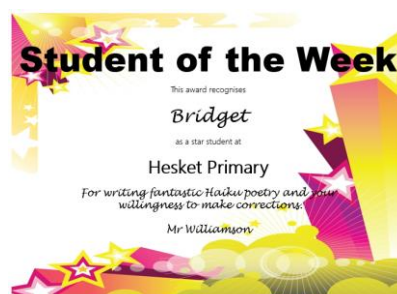
This suggestion has come from our parent community and we agree that a day to reset and recharge might be valuable in making the last few weeks as positive as they can be.

Next Wednesday we are asking students and families to plan an activity that they find restful and relaxing. It could be:

- cooking
- going on a walk
- creating some art or music
- building a cubby
- doing some sport
- or whatever else you can think of!









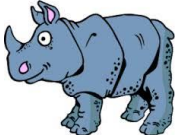






The students' work for the day will be to somehow capture the activity. This could be writing about your activity, filming it or just snapping a photo. We would love to see or at least hear about how you spent your day!

Students of the Week



Congratulations to Blake, Bridget and Hunter who are this week's Students of the Week. Bridget has been writing some great Haiku poetry and has shown a willingness to take make corrections, often independently. Blake is becoming an independent learner by asking questions when he is unsure and seeking feedback on his writing. What a great attitude Blake! Hunter has had an all around great week of learning. You've have done some fantastic work this week Hunter – keep it up. Great stuff you three!

While we have highlighted three superstar students to receive awards this week, we have been completely impressed with some of the poetry all students have been working on at home. I hope you enjoy reading each other's work below. I would also like to give Xavier an extra pat on the back for staying online today and helping choose a picture for everyone's poems – enjoy!

<p><u>Zebra</u> <i>Zebra runs zigzag To escape the lion's strike They hide in the grass.</i></p> <p>Zen </p>	<p><u>Winter</u> <i>Freezing everywhere Colder than an ice block Amazing, freezing.</i></p> <p>Harvey </p>	<p><u>Fairies</u> <i>Light, delicate wings Glowing fairy toadstool houses Fairies glow at night.</i></p> <p>Hillary </p>
<p><u>Roses</u> <i>As red as your blood Petals swirl around the stem Watch out for the thorns.</i></p> <p>Caitlin </p>	<p><u>Dolphins</u> <i>Blue skinned mammals dive Clever clogs swimming about Smooth fins dripping past.</i></p> <p>Emily </p>	<p><u>Brumbies</u> <i>I hear a brumby Whoosh of the wind when they run Stomping of the hooves, "Humph!"</i></p> <p>Amelia </p>
<p><u>Turtles</u> <i>I see turtles move They are very, very, slow They are so, so cute.</i></p> <p>Leo </p>	<p><u>Loeky</u> <i>I see an ash cat Softly scratching and meowing Lazing in the sun.</i></p> <p>Zavier </p>	<p><u>Rhino</u> <i>Grey and strong Muddy, running, fast Stomped, whoosh, grunting.</i></p> <p>Hunter </p>
<p><u>Dogs</u> <i>Energetic, cute Dogs snoozing everywhere Sometimes destructive.</i></p> <p>Andrew </p>	<p><u>Crocodile</u> <i>Diamond beady eyes Long jaws with sharp gritty teeth Tail swings, lightning fast.</i></p> <p>Hudson </p>	<p><u>Dogs</u> <i>Dogs are domestic Fun to play fetch with outside Cute and cuddly dogs.</i></p> <p>Ella </p>
<p><u>Peregrine Falcon</u> <i>Speedy survivor Coasting high above the ground Diving to catch prey.</i></p> <p>Thomas </p>	<p><u>Cats</u> <i>Kittens are cute cats Cats love snuggling in bed Cats love chasing rats.</i></p> <p>Sam </p>	<p><u>Kangaroos</u> <i>Native, large, brown, wham Furry marsupials Hip-hop, zig-zag, boing!</i></p> <p>Charlie </p>

Water

Cool and refreshing
Warm, salty waves at the beach
Dripping from the leaves.

Ruby



Birds

I hear singing tunes
I see lots of nice colours
Birds like shiny stuff.

Matilda



Penguin

Black, white, fluffy
Waddling in from the ocean
Coming home to rest.

Different types
Swimming, diving
elegantly
The pet I can't have.

Mia



Bike Riding

Peddling in the wind
Flying past trees at cheetah speed
Feeling happy, free.

I see many things
Birds, cats, houses, trees and
people
The sun sets, night falls...

Mackenzie



Football

Kicking handpassing
Bumping, thumping, tackling rough
Into the action.

The oval and grandstands
Goals, points and out of bounds
lights
Love watching The
Blues.

Logan



Frisbee

Whirling overhead
Slicing the cold wind apart
I'll have a go.

The way it spins free
It soars swiftly through the air
Coming to the ground.

Bridget



Autumn

Colourful leaves drop
Temperate days and cold nights
Warm and sunny days.

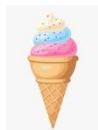
Jack



Ice-cream

Frozen treat
Delicious, frozen, cold
It freezes my cold mouth
Chocolate!

Karley

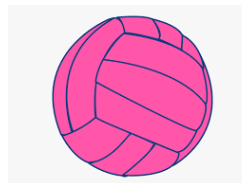


Netball

Shooting the ball up
The energetic people
Running up and down.

Round ball throwing high
Running up and down the court
Wing defence is strong.

Tarryn



Donut

It's delicious
Delectable, scrumptious
Round whole in the middle.

And mouth-watering
Sprinkle and delicious
Extraordinary.

Issy



Cupcake

Sugary sweetness
Delicately blissful
Saviour frosting.

My mouth is delighted
It's extraordinary
Bathed in
chocolate.

Blake



Gorilla

Strongest animals
Powerful smashing machines
Thump, pound, punch, crunch,
mash.

The giant grey ape
Hearing prey in the
jungle
Ape devours rations.

Chase



Tiger

The nasty, sneaky
Orange and black beast
Sinking its teeth in.

The very sharp claws
Unpredictably slice clean
The springbok stomach.

Jayden



<p><u>Baseball</u> <i>Three strikes and you're out Batter up and a home run The crowd roars wildly.</i></p> <p><i>New York, the homeland Smash, it's out of the stadium And the Yankees win.</i></p> <p>Robert</p> 	<p><u>Chocolate Cup Cake</u> <i>Sweetness, wonderful Sugary, mouth watering Sweet frosting icing.</i></p> <p><i>Colourful, messy Delightful, blissful goodness Softness, cupcakes.</i></p> <p>Kobi</p> 	<p><u>Judo</u> <i>It's great martial art A student vs student I'm ready Master.</i></p> <p><i>Belts to wear on suits Covered by a big strong roof A kick of a foot.</i></p> <p>Max</p> 
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2021 Enrolments

While we are not currently able to tour prospective families, we are also unsure when this rule will be lifted. In the interim, I am more than happy to speak to both current and prospective parents about what learning looks like at Hesket Primary School.

If you know of any families who are interested in Hesket for their child next year, you may also like to direct them to our School Website where we have just published a 'tour' that I feel captures some of what makes our school great.

