



Diary Dates

July

- Mon 27th – School Council @4pm
- Tues 28th – Curriculum Day – Student Free

September

- Fri 18th – Last Day of Term Three

Our 2020 Preps have had a less than typical first year of schooling, so it was absolutely wonderful to see students in the Junior grade dress up to celebrate their 100th day of school. We had a handful of 100 year olds, many mathematical t-shirts, necklaces of all things 100 and plenty of stickers from the teachers! These little people have shown us all how resilient and adaptable they can be over the past few months, and we are so proud of each of them.



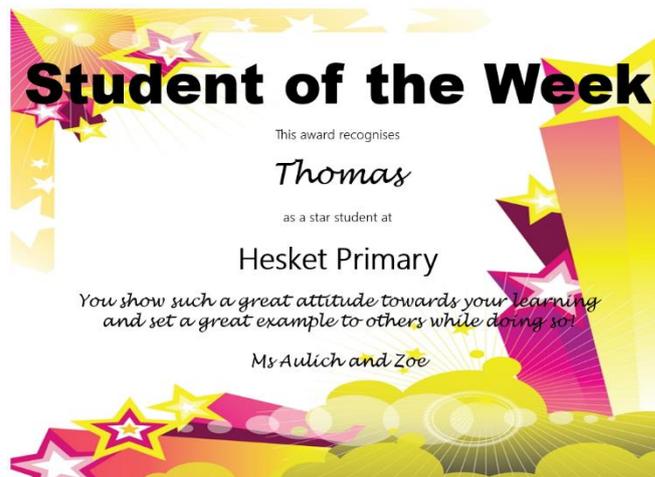
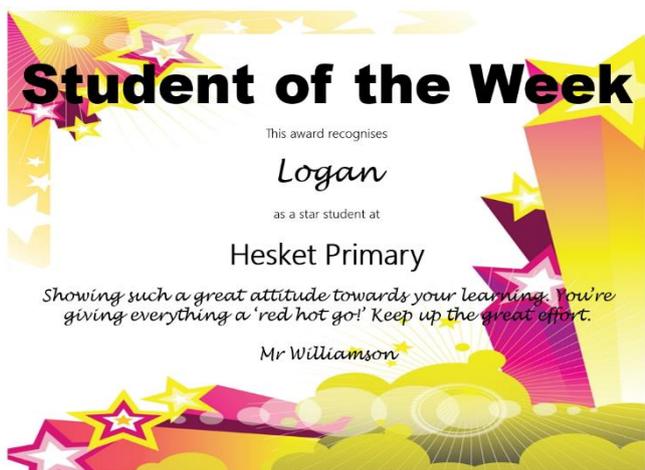
After a very unusual Term Two, I've already said how lucky we feel to be teaching your children on site. Regardless of the uncertainty of the times, our plans for Term Three press on. This term we would typically have had an over-arching whole-school theme of Creativity, however, we will not be performing a concert this term. Instead we'll be refocussing on the theme of Community – quite fitting at this time we think!

The Junior Grade will be exploring different cultures within our community and the Senior grade will explore the past, present and history of Australia.

Junior	Senior
<p>Cultural Communities <u>Rationale:</u> We learn about different cultures to understand our community <u>Essential Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is culture? • What are the similarities and differences between different cultures? • How are different cultures part of our community? 	<p>Australia – Past, Present and Future <u>Rationale:</u> We are learning how historical events and people have shaped the country we live in today. <u>Essential Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who were the first Australians? • Who were the first European settlers? • And what impact did these early settlers have?

By the end of the term our Junior students will be world travellers and our Seniors, roving reporters as they present the history of Australia on screen.

While we happily distance ourselves from our upside down Term Two, we move back to the whole school goals of 2020, where alongside academic growth, all students will have documented Reading, Writing and Numeracy goals, that are communicated home and regularly reflected on in the classroom. Over the next week, all learning goals will be reviewed and updated and communicated to families on Seesaw. Before your child progresses on to their next goal, they will need to have mastered their goal by demonstrated it five times, earning five stars, or in the students words, “Smashing it!”. “Nailing it!” – I’m sure you’ll hear about it when they do!



Students of the Week

This week we would like to celebrate two superstar Students of the Week. Logan and Thomas have both impressed us in their wonderful attitudes towards learning. Both boys are happy to be challenged by their teachers and are showing how determined they are to produce their best work while being great role models to their classmates. Well done to you both for being this week's Students of the Week.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Some parent teacher interviews will be held over the next few weeks over Webex. If your child teacher's has any specific concerns that they would like to discuss with you, they will make contact to arrange a suitable time. Conversely, please make contact with your child's teacher if you would like to request an interview for any particular reason. Once restrictions are lifted, we will encourage all families who have not had an interview to schedule a time.

Curriculum Day – Student Free - This Tuesday

Just another reminder that this coming Tuesday is a curriculum day at Heskett Primary. On this day, teaching staff will be completing Cultural Understanding and Sensitivity Training (CUST), administered by our Koorie Education Support Officers (KESOs). The Education Department aims for all Victorian public school staff to be trained in this and we very much look forward to the day.



2020 Enrolments

While we are not currently able to tour prospective families, we are hopeful that this rule will be lifted in early Term Three. In the interim, I am more than happy to speak to both current and prospective parents about what learning looks like at Heskett Primary School.

If you know of any families who are interested in Heskett 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.





Once again it appears that the gallery is Junior-centric; I'll make sure our Seniors feature heavily next week!