



HESKET Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 – 29th May 2020

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Diary Dates

May

- Fri 29th – Grade Six High School forms to be returned

June

- Mon 8th – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- Tues 9th - Grade 3-6 students return
- Fri 26th – Last day of Term Two

This week we welcomed our Junior students back and by and large, students bounded in the door, happy and excited to see their friends. I cannot tell you how lovely it was to see half of our school back on site, running around at lunchtime and recess – absolute joy!

It has also been so pleasing to see the growth and learning in our Juniors while they have been learning from home. Omnce again, we thank our parents who've been so very supportive while your children were learning at home.

Hang in there big kids; one more week to go!

Here are some highlights of home learning and returning to school from our littlest Hesketerians...

- My favourite part of learning at home was the humungous writing we did together about making a sandwich - Hudson
- I like being back at school so I get to see all of my friends again and I don't have to do everything on the computer – Emily
- My favourite thing about home learning was being with my family – Amelia
- The best thing about being back at school is playing my friends – Harvey
- My favourite thing about being at school again is playing on the little kids playground - Caitlin
- Playing with Maceo wherever we wants to play! - Zennon
- The best thing about being back at school is playing my friends on the big kids playground – Hunter
- The best thing about being back at school is seeing my friends! – Ruby
- My favourite thing is singing the Days of the Week song - Maceo
- My favourite thing about being back at school is playing on the monkey bars – Zavier
- My favourite thing about being back at school is seeing all of my friends – Ada
- My favourite thing about being back at school is playing on Hesket Hill with my friends - Hillary
- I like playing outside with Caitlin, Leo, Harvey, Curtis and Zavier – it was so much fun! Sam
- I'm happy to be back at school because I get to see my friends again - Matilda
- My favourite thing about being back at school is seeing my friends and being able to concentrate harder - Curtis
- My favourite thing about being at school it concentrating better and seeing my friends; I've got lots of friends! - Leo

CHILD SAFE STANDARD 2: A Child Safety policy or a Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

PROTECT

Protecting children & young people
from abuse is our responsibility

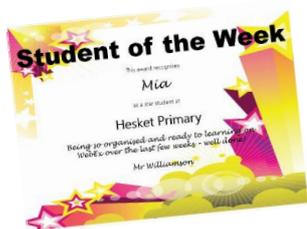


Child Safe Standard 2 (Standard 2) requires schools to develop and publicly communicate a Statement of Commitment to child safety or a school Child Safe policy. Everyone in society has a moral responsibility to keep children safe and to protect them from harm. A Statement of Commitment to child safety helps raise awareness about the importance of child safety in the school and the community and affirms our commitment to child safety and expectations.

Hesekt Primary School's Child Safe policy is an overarching document that provides key elements of an organisation's approach for child safe environments. It describes the values and principles that will guide us in developing procedures to create and maintain a child safe school environment, and protect children from child abuse.

You can view Heskett Primary School's Child Safe policy at <http://www.heskettps.vic.edu.au> and click the 'Child Safe' tab.

At our next School Council Meeting, we will reviewing our school's Child Safe Standard 3: Child Safety Code of Conduct, that once ratified will be required to be signed by all staff, councillors and volunteers will be required to read and sign.



Students of the Week

This week's Students of the Week awards go to Mia and Emily. Mia has been so organised and ready for learning on WebEx the last few weeks and we are so impressed with Emily who has just finished reading all of the books in the Junior room. Well done to both of you!



Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to Sam and Logan who are both celebrating their birthdays today. We all hope that you've both had a very happy day!



Return to School (From Last Week's Newsletter)

Lots of materials were lent out to students over the term that will need to be returned on the student's first day. These items may include: iPads and computers, handwriting charts, dice, counters, counting charts, camera words spelling charts, exercise books and stationery.

- Any student who is unwell will be asked to be picked up. This will include a runny nose, cough or fever.
- Drop off/Pick Up – We see no significant need to altering the scheduling of dropping off and picking up students IF parents are conscious of social distancing. As no parents are permitted on school grounds (unless in extenuating circumstances or when dropping off or picking up your child from Family Day Care), staff will be present at the main entrance from 8.45am to welcome your child to school. During the school day the main entrance will remain locked and we ask that if picking up your child for any reason, that you ring the bell to gain our attention.
- All bubble taps have been turned off so students will all be required to bring a filled waterbottle with them to school each day.
- Shared resources will only be used if deemed necessary for a curriculum program. When used, sharing between students will be avoided and materials, such as unifix cubes will be disinfected after use.
- Playground – the playground will remain out of bounds to the general public, including families before and after school. Students will be asked to wash their hands at the beginning of recess and lunch and playgrounds will be cleaned in between recess and lunch time and then again after school.
- Extra cleaning will be carried out each day with toilets and high touch areas being cleaned throughout the day by professional cleaners.
- Specialist programs will resume when all students are back on site. A hybrid program will run for the next two weeks.
- Bus travellers – A normal bus service will resume on the 26th of May. Students are asked to have recently cleaned hands before catching the bus in the morning, and will be reminded to wash them again each afternoon.
- Assembly – Parents will not attend Friday afternoon assembly until further notice.
- Lunch orders – There will be no lunch orders until further notice.
- Hand hygiene/coughing etiquette – Students will be reminded to practise good hand hygiene and coughing etiquette.
- If your child has a sensitivity or preference for their own sanitiser, can you please ensure that it is clearly labelled.
- Heating of food – for the immediate future we ask that students do not bring lunches that require heating for lunch.
- Own toys – we are asking that students DO NOT bring in toys and games from home until further notice.
- Library will resume however there will be no borrowing until further notice. If your child has a library book at home, can it please be returned next Monday.



As always, if you have any further questions, please just ask and we'll clarify.

