The first message this edition is a reminder that tomorrow is a Pupil Free School Development Day.

Over the next three weeks teachers will be preparing semester one student progress reports. These reports provide an indication of student progress towards end of year achievement targets and will be accompanied by their evidence files containing samples of work from this first half of the year. Some of the samples are common to all students in the same year level to allow teachers to make moderated judgments about progress. Other samples are class based and also contribute to the supporting evidence for your child’s report.

By now I would expect all parents would have made some effort no matter how brief to see how things are going and there should largely be no surprises when reports come home.

That being said, some times parents expectations are higher than allocated grades and it is particularly important to understand that a C grade or satisfactory is perfectly acceptable for most students. In the early years [P and 1] it is very difficult to determine an A or B grade [excellent or good] as the students haven’t had sufficient time to demonstrate that level of achievement except in exceptional circumstances.

As a general guide we expect approximately 55%—60% of our students to achieve a B grade or above; an additional 30% - 35% a C grade and approximately 10% a D grade. Those students who are likely to be allocated an E grade are already identified and on an individual education plan and reported on differently against that plan. These are general targets and a guide only but it gives parents some indication of the range of achievement that is expected.

Reports and evidence files will be sent home on Wednesday July 2nd.

I had the pleasure of attending Sing Fest this week, an event that is coordinated by Mrs Oliver in tandem with her colleagues from other schools. It is always a terrific event and what I observed was nothing short of outstanding. Not only do I appreciate the work Mrs Oliver does in preparation but also the collaboration of teachers to make this performance opportunity a memorable one. Thank you one and all and to the students for their exhilarating performances which I have heard several times in preparation. They sound magnificent.

This term we have added an additional short assembly to the calendar. It is a River Rangers event on Friday morning of June 6th and we will have a special guest, Dr Mike Nahan, Treasurer and member for Riverton who will make a presentation. Parents are welcome.

Congratulations to our various sporting teams who participated in the Eagles Cup competition against Parkwood last Friday and again compete next week. They all performed well and played in good spirit with wins in football and netball, a draw in hockey and a win and loss in soccer.

Enrolments for 2015 Kindergarten, Pre Primary and Out of Area students are now open and anyone wishing to enrol for next year is asked to complete an application form by Friday July 25th. Applications can be found on the school website or from the office.

Next Friday, June 6, Mrs Ashby and I will be making a presentation to the panel making the decision as to whether we become an Independent Public School. We were unsuccessful in 2012 but the process has now changed and we are hopeful of achieving our goal in the interests of sustaining and improving outcomes for our students. The result of our presentation will be known sometime mid to late July.

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In the interests of the safety of our students, parents are asked to abide by the following common sense rules. This is especially important in the winter months when there is an increase in traffic around the school. The acronym CARE developed by Rossmoyn Senior High School equally applies to us:

Comply with the road traffic signs
Avoid U-turns on Second and Third Avenues
Refrain from entering the staff car park
Encourage your child to walk, ride or use the walking to school bus
Thank you for supporting our CARE traffic policy. Your courtesy and respect of the road rules makes our school safer for our students, families, staff and community. [courtesy RSHS]
WHAT’S ON IN SPORT TERM 2

This term the Year 6 & 7 students will choose to participate in Football, Soccer, Netball or Hockey during Friday afternoon sport sessions. These groups will be used to select inter-school teams for the Eagles Cup competition and the Winter Carnival.

**Eagles Cup**: Friday 1.30-2.30 (Please note, home games for football will be played at Shelley Reserve)
6th June vs Riverton at Rossmoyne PS
20th June vs Bateman at Bateman PS

**League Tag Carnival**: Tuesday 10th June

**Faction Cross Country Races** (Years 3-7): Thursday 26th June, pm

**Winter Carnival**: Tuesday 1st July

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**Dental Screening**

During the Year, the Dental Team from WILLIAMS DTC will be visiting the school to carry out Dental Screening of Pre-Primary, Year 3 and Year 6 Children.

For Year 3 and Year 6 children this is a simple procedure where disposable pop sticks are used to retract the cheeks to allow the Dental Officer to see how the teeth and jaws have developed. As a result of this, the Dental Officer may request to speak to the Parents/Guardians of some children. In most cases this will be to discuss Orthodontic considerations.

Children whose parents have not given consent for treatment under the School Dental Service will not be examined.

For Pre-primary Children, screening involves talking to the class as a group and then conducting a simple examination.

This involves the children opening their mouths and then smiling at the Dental Officer. They then receive a sticker. The Dental Officer does not place his hands in their mouths.

If you have any concerns regarding Screening, Please contact the Therapy Centre between 3:30pm and 4pm, Monday to Friday on 9457 4624.

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**Join in the 2014 Foodbank School Food Appeal and help us fight hunger in WA this Winter**

Following the success of our first School Food Appeal in 2013, we once again invite all our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students to participate! We are urging everyone to bring in food donations, which will be collected on Monday, 23 June, in the Annual Assembly.

Food donations are particularly welcome on Monday, 23 May, when all students are encouraged to bring in food donations. Donations should be brought into school on the day indicated on the list and put in the designated box in the Prep area.

**Open Days**

**We are in for 2014 to again support the needy over winter. Details announced at Assembly next week.**

Please start putting aside your cans now or buy an extra can a week when shopping.