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## End of semester Report Cards

Semester One Report Cards will soon be provided for all students attending Nobby State School. These written reports are a culmination of how a child has achieved in their academic studies over a school semester.

The report cards contain the following information:

- An overall academic achievement for each subject
- An effort achievement and
- A comment

Education Queensland implements a uniform reporting process in all schools using a consistent 5 – point scale as follows:

- Prep – Year 2: Applying, Making Connections, Working With, Exploring, Becoming Aware
- Years 3 to 7: A, B, C, D, E

An important point that deserves clarification is that the 5 point scale has some subtle differences these days and that when we see a **“Working With or C”** on our child’s report card it means something a little different to what it used to on our own report cards, many years ago.

- The best description is that a **“Working With or C”** means a student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be – A **“Working With or C”** is ON TARGET or AT YEAR LEVEL STANDARD.

With this in mind, we must accept that it may be harder to get an **“A”** or a **“B”** than it used to be. These grades are no longer awarded simply to the top students in the class; they are only given to students who show that they are independently capable of working beyond the criteria for their year level.

Some points to remember as you read your child’s report.

- The **“Effort”** grades are a really important reflection of whether your child is achieving the best they can.
- An **“A”** for effort and a **“C”** for achievement indicates that your child is **“On Target”** for their age and **“applying their best effort”**. This grade should be celebrated with students because they have worked hard to be where they need to be.



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As mentioned previously the end of semester report card is a culmination of your child's results over the semester. With parent teacher interviews being offered to all parents at the end of each semester, parents will be well informed of their child's academic progress.

It is important to note that not every aspect of every subject (English, maths, science etc.) is assessed and reported on each semester or term. This means that the result students receive on their end of semester is indicative of the content that has been taught and assessed during that semester, and not necessarily indicative of the entire subject content. This means that a student's results may vary from semester to semester, because they are being assessed and reported on different aspects of the subject/ curriculum.

As always if you have any concerns about your child's progress please see your child's teacher as soon as possible.

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