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Dear Parents, Families and Students

## **RE: Semester 1 Student Reports for Years 1-5**

Your child's End of Semester report are now available, and this letter provides some further explanation about what is included in the report document. The reports are accessible through Schoolbox and provide a summary of students' academic performance so far this year.

An updated Schoolbox Report User Guide is included with this letter to assist you in being able to gain access to the system. Should you have difficulties, please email <u>schoolboxhelp@goodnews.vic.edu.au</u>

Those of you whose children have been at Good News Lutheran College previously will notice the difference between this report and those received in the past. The report looks different as we are now using Schoolbox to create the report. As time goes on the College will continue to upgrade the layout and look of the reports.

Below is a further explanation of the information in the report:

Page 1: Your child's details

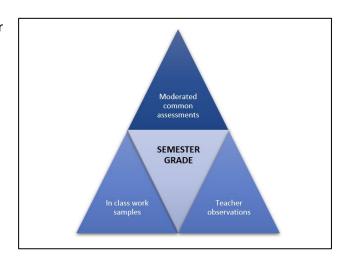
Page 2: Information about the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme and Learner Profiles Page 3: Information about how to read the report and an explanation of the descriptors used.

A – E grades have been awarded after a process of moderation which includes teachers taking into consideration Moderated Common Assessments, Teacher Observations and In-class work samples:

The subjects are listed alphabetically with one per page. For each subject there is an A - E grade as well as a 'Box and Whisker Plot'. This shows your child's achievement, as indicated by the red dot, in comparison to their class (not year level).

There are three grades for Numeracy – Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry and Statistics and Probability.

Literacy also has three separate grades – Reading, Writing, and Speaking and Listening.



Units of Inquiry includes the subjects of Science, Technology and Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) depending on the particular unit studied.

From Prep to Year 6, students are introduced to the disciplines of History and Geography, Civics and Citizenship from Year 3, and Economics and Business from Year 5 which makes up the HASS curriculum area. There is a grade for each transdisciplinary theme studied during the semester. If there is no grade or ABSENT, then your child did not complete enough of the unit for the teacher to be able to accurately give a grade.

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The assessments you would have received throughout the semester in relation to specific assessment tasks provide parents with more detailed information about their child's knowledge and skill level in these areas. You can find these on Schoolbox.

The Pastoral Care page includes a comment from your child's classroom teacher which considers their learning, behaviour, and socialisation.

We hope you take the time to share this End of Semester report with your child, celebrate their progress and achievements as well as considering goals for the Semester Two.

During Term 3 parents will have an opportunity to be part of Student-led Conferences where the students will look back on their learning and share their growth and progress. At the end of Term 4, the End of Year Progress report will be provided. If you have any questions about your child's progress, please first speak with their class teacher who knows them well.

Yours sincerely

Much

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