Hello Everybody,

It has been an extremely busy Term 3 so far. Students are working very hard and producing some excellent work. May I say student behaviour on the whole is improving – most students are making good decisions in class to control their individual behaviour. As I have said before, everyone has the right to a safe learning environment and we consistently try to ensure this is the case at Riverside ESC.

Schools Alive Choir: Recently 3 of our students – Sarah Marshall, Stanley Payne and Joseph Linton – participated in the WAGMS concert. It was a fantastic night and our students did Riverside proud. Joseph received the trophy on behalf of the choir. Well done to our students for representing Riverside ESC and a big thanks to Ms Sharon Baker who has coordinated the choir activities for the school.

IEPs: Semester 2 IEPs are under currently underway; Teachers should be contacting you to invite you in to discuss your child’s educational goals. This is a worthwhile process and presents a good opportunity for you to discuss the needs of your child.

Sports Carnival: The whole school sports carnival is scheduled for Tuesday September 1st. If there is inclement weather on this day the carnival will be re-scheduled for the following day Wednesday 2nd September. You are invited to attend the carnival; it will be a fun day. Please note that there will be guidelines on the day that I ask you to adhere to. You will be able to spend lunchtime with your child but I would strongly discourage any food purchases from McDonalds. Food will be available from our school canteen (pre-order) and our P&C will be selling food on the day.

Learning Journey: This year’s Learning Journey will be held on Wednesday 23rd September. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to visit your child’s room to see their work and talk to Teachers. Please contact your child’s Teacher to discuss the times when their respective room will be open for viewing.

Recipe Book: I am happy to announce that we have recipe books available for purchase. The ‘Riverside Recipe Book 2015’ is great value at $6.50. It is packed with healthy, nutritious meal ideas. The recipes have been compiled from classrooms cooking sessions that students have participated in. Thanks to Mrs Deb Wiseman and Mrs Karen Green for their extensive work and effort with this project. Please contact the school to purchase your copy.

Parent School Survey: Thanks to everyone who participated in our recent parent survey. The results will be available for viewing on our website shortly. As I mentioned in my introductory survey letter, your responses will assist us will our school planning, in particular our 2016-2019 Business Plan cycle.

Kindergarten 2016: Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are now open. Prospective students must meet the required criteria. Please contact the school for further details.

Staff Movements: There are two staff movements that I would like to bring to your attention: Mrs Louise Filer will be taking leave until Term 4 2016 and Ms Tara Macukat will be taking Parental Leave from Term 4 and part of 2016. I would like to welcome Mr Glenn Webber and Mrs Ailsa Williams who will be replacing Louise and Tara respectively. Glen will be new to Riverside ESC, whilst Ailsa has kindly agreed to extend her hours to fulltime for Term 4. Thankyou both for accepting these teaching responsibilities.

P&C/School board: Both the P&C and School Board are seeking assistance from parents. In particular our P&C canteen is in a dire situation and urgently requires volunteers, please see the canteen staff or our P&C President Vivienne Cantem. The School Board is also in urgent need of parent representation - please contact the school for further details.
Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our school. It really is a privilege to lead Riverside ESC and my sincere thanks are extended to our great staff who make all these wonderful things happen for your child.

Best regards,
Jim Douglas, Principal

Room 31

Every Friday the Pre-primary students from Room 31 go to Mandurah Library and join in with story time. The students are also lucky enough to do a craft activity which they bring back to school and display in the classroom. (Photos 1-3)

The kindy students are acting out Humpty Dumpty for their very own reading book, which they are creating in class. (Photos 4-5)

Room 32

Room 32 would like to welcome Mrs Gillespie to our classroom this term. She is completing her final teaching prac. We are looking forward to all the fun activities she has planned for us.

We have already had lots of fun learning about chance and data, where the students had to make a guess what they thought the item might be. We also have been learning about whole and half shapes.

Important Dates

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Room 33

On Tuesday the 18th of August, Room 33 were the guests of Mr David Templeman, MLA, at Parliament House in Perth.

We were given a tour of both the Legislative Assembly Chamber and the Legislative Council Chamber and the students were able to ask questions about what happens in each chamber and how new laws are made.

After the tour we were treated to a lovely 3 course lunch in the Parliament dining hall with Mr Templeman.

The students really enjoyed chatting to Mr Templeman and finding out what is involved in being the MP for Mandurah.

Room 34

Room 34 has been very busy this term with regular community access excursions to the Mandurah Forum using Transperth buses.

The students have been excellent travellers, listening to all instructions and being very careful when crossing the road and moving about the shopping centre.

We enjoyed a very well organised Science incursion in week 5 run by Mrs Edwards. The students of Rooms 33 and 36 learned about worm farm maintenance and how products from this help to fertilise the vegetable garden.
Room 35

Our Crunch and Sip program is an easy way to help kids stay healthy and happy! Crunch and Sip is a set break for our students to eat fruit or salad vegetables and drink water in the classroom. Students ‘re-fuel’ with fruit or vegetables during the morning or afternoon, assisting physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom.

As part of our Crunch and Sip and Cooking program, Room 35 students were sent on a mission to the Spudshed Fresh Food Market to find fruit to make Fruit Kebabs. We purchased lots of different yummy fruits to make our Kebabs, like watermelon, bananas, apples, pears, rockmelon, kiwi fruit and strawberries. Then in our cooking lesson it was our job to chop up the fruit and thread what we liked onto the Kebab sticks. It was a really fun way to have our Crunch and Sip.

Room 36

In the Magical Land of Room 36 the 6 little Munchkin students have been learning their SOUNDS and LETTER NAMES. They have been working very hard. So far they have visited the Land of iPads, Word Dice and Puzzles.

During the Great Day of Science, the little Munchkins have also taken their friends from Lands of 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 37 and shown them how the Worms live and eat. The Munchkins were very responsible and gave the other Lands lots of information so they too can have worms of their own.
This term Mrs Edwards organised for our school to visit the dinosaur show at the Mandurah Performing Arts centre. The show was about Australian dinosaurs. We found out the dinosaurs lay large eggs. In class we have been learning about animals that lay eggs.

Karen went on stage to feed the meat-eating dinosaur. It roared and she ran and hid behind a tree.

Hayden liked it when the man had told him what dinosaurs eat.

All students got to pat a baby dinosaur after the show.

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**Did You Know?** (A message from Greenfields Dental Service)

Children are not born with decay-causing bacteria in their mouth. These bacteria are passed to the child by parents or caregivers through food tasting, cleaning dummies via their own mouths, etc.

By maintaining a healthy mouth, parents can help prevent or reduce decay risk in themselves or their children.

If you are aware that you have a history of decay please avoid bacteria transference with your child!