

*“The reason grandparents and grandchildren get along so well  
is that they have a common enemy.”*

**Sam Levenson**

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I hope everyone was able to enjoy the Memorial Day weekend. The weather certainly proved to be much nicer than predicted, and there was plenty of time to be outside for soccer, softball, BBQs, and other fun events.

For the last three years, we have used an old fashioned “listserv” as our means of communicating *Grey Matters* and daily announcements via email. While functional, it provides no easy way for parents and guardians to sign up or remove themselves, nor does it allow us to easily connect email addresses with parent names. As a result, we don’t have an accurate record of who receives RJG emails and who does not. For these reasons, we are transitioning to a new parent/guardian email system for the 2007-2008 school year called “Constant Contact”. This is the same system the ABRSD PTSO uses and reported to be very successful.

For those of you currently receiving electronic communication, our current system will continue through June. During the summer, we will be making the transition to Constant Contact and will be asking you to re-enter your personal data. If you’d prefer to sign up now, please feel free to go to the RJG website ( <http://ab.mec.edu/rjweb/index.html> ), click on the link labeled, “Sign up for RJ Grey Emails” and re-enter the information requested. Your cooperation and patience during this transition process is greatly appreciated. Another reminder during our summer mailing will be forthcoming as well.

Sticking with the subject of technology, please remember to use the Parent Portal to update your child’s emergency card. If you have any questions or misplaced the information you were sent last month, please us at: [adminAsst@mail.ab.mec.edu](mailto:adminAsst@mail.ab.mec.edu).

Midterm Reports for Term Four will be mailed this week. As I have mentioned before, midterm reports provide valuable information regarding student grades and performance half way through a term. Sometimes a midterm report provides good news and sometimes a midterm report provides suggestions for improvement. Do not hesitate to contact your child’s teacher(s) should you have any questions.

Have a wonderful week!

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