



# NEWSLETTER

Glenwood Public School



**Week 3 Term 3**

**PBL Rule:**

**Be A Learner:**

Play fairly and follow the rules of the game

**Week 3 Term 3**

**Smiling Mind Focus:**

**Making Decisions**



## Week 2 Term 3 Newsletter

### Reconciliation Week

Glenwood Public School has acknowledged the importance of Reconciliation Week this week through a suite of classroom activities. The theme of Bridging Now to Next intends to capture the importance of connecting between the past, present and future.

As a part of our Glenwood Public School's ongoing commitment to Aboriginal education and acknowledgement, our school is anticipating the completion of our new flag poles at the front of the school, which will showcase the Australian National Flag, the Australian Aboriginal Flag and the Glenwood Public School Flag.

### Education Week Postponement

Glenwood Public School will be celebrating a belated Education Week in Week 9 to coincide with our Creative Arts Concert. Our school has plans for an extravaganza, including this year's theme of "Ignite Your Potential". Stay tuned for more information later in the term.

### Glenwood Public School Athletics Carnival

A reminder that next Thursday is our school athletics carnival for both infants and primary. Parents and the community are welcome to come along to Blinman Oval and support our students.

Primary and Infants carnivals will run simultaneously, starting at approximately 9:15 am.

Hope to see you there!

### Pyjama Day

Next Tuesday, the Glenwood Public School SRC (School Representative Council) is hosting a pyjama Day gold coin fundraiser. Student are encouraged to come to school in their pyjamas for the cost of a gold coin donation. Funds raised are going towards the purchase of more sports equipment for recess and lunchtime play.

It would be wonderful if all our students could make the effort to not only attend in their pyjamas, but also remember to donate a gold coin.

A reminder that students still need to wear appropriate shoes to school. Slippers or Uggs are not permitted and will prevent students from being able to participate in their Got Game activities or play on the playground.

### Mobileyes and Dental

The mobile van will be attending our school next Monday, presenting an opportunity for students whose families returned their forms last term to receive a free eye and/or dental check-up. Follow-up information for the families of these students will be distributed by the Mobileyes and Dental technicians.

### Assembly

Congratulations to 1/2E for their impressive hosting of this week's assembly. Their early concert rendition of Under The Sea gives a glimpse of what is to come at our Creative Arts concert in Week 9. Great job, 1/2E and Mrs Edwards.

It was great to see so many parents attend. Thank you for taking the time to attend and support our students.

Finally, congratulations to all our award winners. Keep up the good work!

### Term 3 P&C Meeting

Thank you to all the parents who attended Monday night's P&C. The minutes from that meeting will be published in an upcoming edition of the school newsletter.

Have a great weekend!

Mr J McInney

Principal





## PBL Certificate & Wristband Recipients







## Admiral Badge Recipients



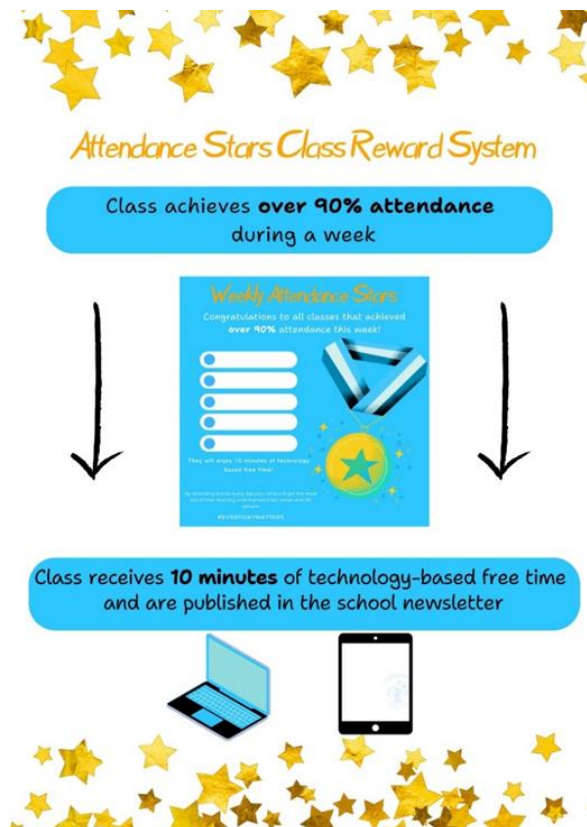
# Attendance Information

As part of the Department of Education and Glenwood Public School's target of increasing student attendance, a new school reward system has been developed to celebrate students' attendance at school. Below are some infographics explaining the school's student attendance reward system. Our target is for students to attend school at a minimum of 90% of the time. This equates to missing, at most, 5 days of school per term.

Along with the tracking and rewarding of each student's attendance, classes will also be celebrated each week, with classes that attend at 90% or more being published weekly in the newsletter. A part of their reward will be 10 minutes of technology-based free time.

These new initiatives form part of our whole-school approach to celebrating and emphasising the importance of attending school.

Thank you to Mrs Edwards, our school attendance coordinator, for her tireless effort to devise and implement this new school strategy.



## Week 2 Term 3 Class Attendance Stars

Week 2 Star Attendances Classes will appear in next week's newsletter.





# Compulsory school attendance

## I Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

### What are my Legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the NSW Education and Standards Authority for home schooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

### The Importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

### What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

### Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.

### My child won't go to school what should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

### What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- **Compulsory Schooling Conferences**

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- **Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order**

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- **Prosecution in the Local Court**

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

### What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

### Working in Partnership

The NSW Department of Education recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

# Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss weeks per year and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight  
 = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed

**1** day per week  
 = **8** weeks  = Over **2.5** years missed

## More information

Further Information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

### Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's Policy Library AND The Department's Attendance Matters Website

### The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's Wellbeing and Learning website

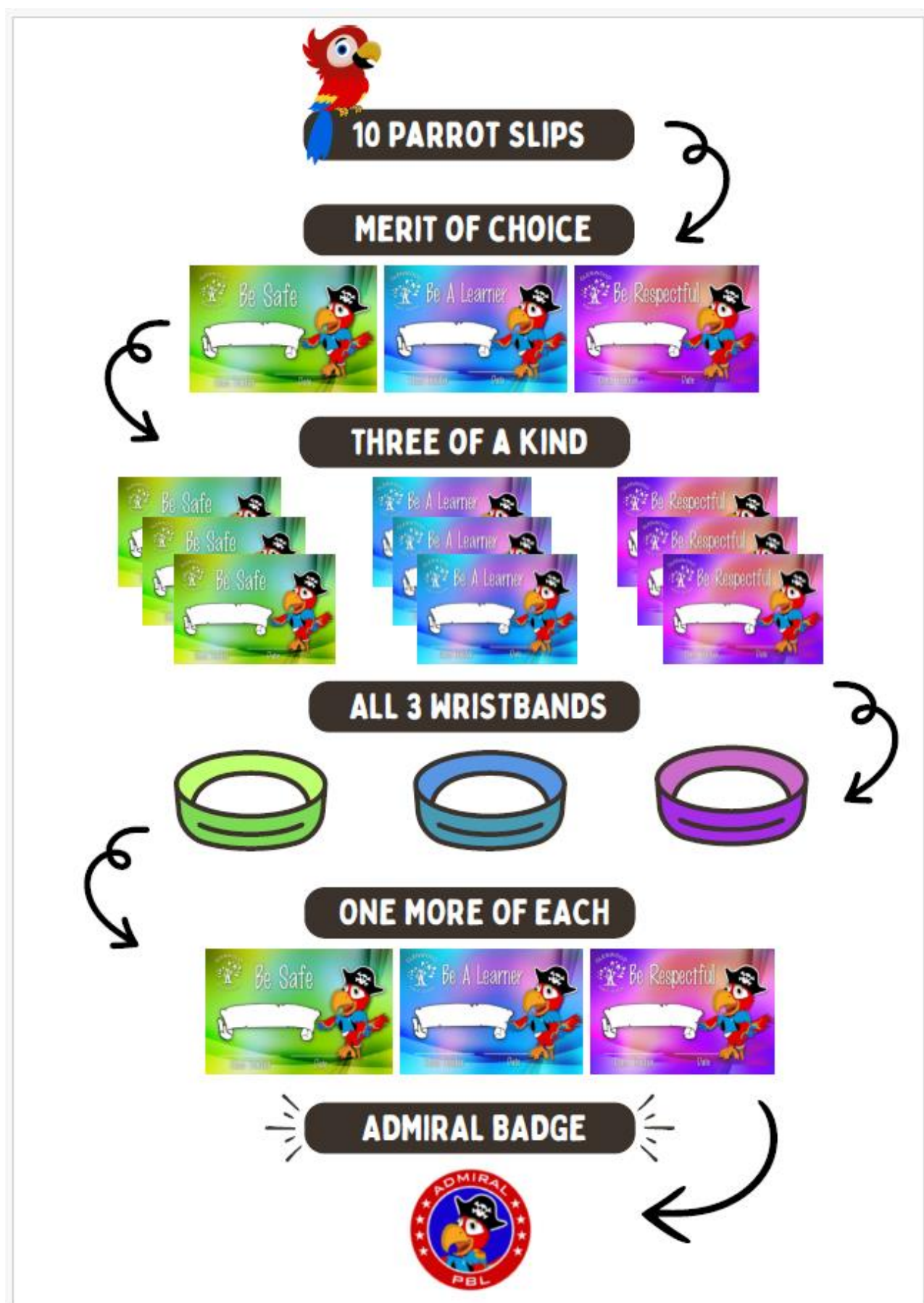
### Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on **131 450**. You will not be charged for this service.





# Positive Behaviour for Learning Award Flow Chart



# Home Reading Prizes



**Treasure**

- Bronze** - Coin and sticker
- Silver** - Bookmark or keyring
- Gold** - Wristband or slapband
- Diamond** - Flag
- Platinum** - Hat and eye patch

Collect a sticker and a certificate at each reading level, from bronze to platinum.  
Collect treasure at each level!



## BREAKFAST CLUB

Free

NOW OPEN

MONDAY TO THURSDAY







You're invited to  
**STORYTIME**  
For little people

Hosted by  
our Library  
Monitors

When: Fridays

From 2:30pm to 3:00pm

Where: In the library

An adult carer must stay  
with the child.



Share a story, craft and play

# P&C News

From the Parents & Citizens Association (P&C)



**1. The P&C will be on the oval, from 11 am, selling yummy items at the upcoming Athletics carnival – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August. There will be sausage sandwiches (for parents) plus soft drinks, water, mini cakes, popcorn & assorted lollies available. Student lunch orders will still be available from the canteen, as per usual, & these will be delivered to the oval at lunchtime.**

**2. Meet your P&C – photo taken at Monday's meeting held in the library at 6 pm. The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday, 8th September.**



P&C members (excluding Jay McInney) from the left are: Justine Henley, Jacki Payer, Felicity Lyden, Lindsay Wood, Erin Wood, Karen Clark, Kristina Risteska & Cynthia Jernita. Jade Phillips, Robyn Ashley and Brian Phillip are also P&C members; however were unable to attend Monday's meeting, so they missed appearing in the photo

**3. A flyer promoting the P&C Monster Raffle has been sent home with all students. Please stick it on your fridge & share it with family & friends. Ask them to support your child's school**





# **P&C MONSTER RAFFLE**

**ONLINE TICKET SALES - USE QR CODE**

*1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Nintendo Switch Bundle (value \$500)*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Assorted Lego Pack (value \$260)*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - Bunnings Voucher (value \$200)*

*4<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup> Prizes are valued from \$150 to \$14*

**1 Ticket for \$2, 5 Tickets \$10, 8 Tickets \$15,**

**11 Tickets \$20, 17 Tickets \$30, 30 Tickets \$50, 70 Tickets \$100**

**RAFFLE SALES CLOSE 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER,**

**WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE.**



# MONSTER P&C RAFFLE

**ONLINE SALES** (via the attached QR code)

**Cash Sales** (via the School Canteen)

**1 ticket for \$2, 5 tickets for \$10, 8 tickets for \$15**

**11 tickets for \$20, 17 tickets for \$30,**

**30 tickets for \$50 & 70 tickets for \$100**

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**18 PRIZES TO BE WON RANGING  
FROM \$500 TO \$14**

## **CASH & ON-LINE TICKET SALES**

**1 ticket for \$2, 5 tickets for \$10, 8 tickets for \$15**

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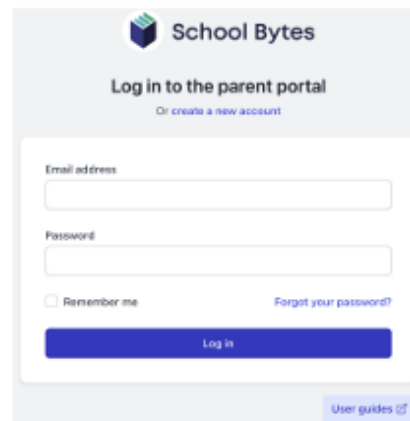
EVERYDAY SNACKS		GLENWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU	DRINKS	
E – BREAD STICKS	50c Each		E – WATER	\$3.00
E – JATZ (3pk)	50c Each		E – POPPER JUICE	\$2.00
E – AIR POPPED POPCORN	50 cents		(Apple, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple Raspberry & Tropical)	
E – CUSTARD CUP	\$2.00		E – UP & GO	\$3.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00		(Strawberry, Chocolate, Vanilla & Banana)	
E – APPLE & SLINKY	\$2.00	ICE TREATS	E – NIPPY'S ICED MILK	\$3.00
E – APPLE SLINKY (BYO)	10 cents		(Chocolate & Strawberry)	
E – ORANGE WEDGES	\$2.00		E – CHILL J (Bottle)	\$3.00
E – WATERMELON CUP (Mini)	\$2.50		(Orange Passio, Watermelon, Lemonade, Grape, Apple Coola & Blueberry)	
E – FRUIT CUP (Mini)	\$2.50		E – GLEE SPARKLING FRUIT JUICE (Can)	
E – FRUIT CUP (Regular)	\$5.00		(Sour Watermelon, Tropical Treat, Bubble-gum Grape, Rockin' Raspberry)	\$3.00
E – CARROT STICKS	\$2.00		E – MIXED BERRY SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
E – CUCUMBER STICKS	\$2.00		E – BANANA OAT SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
OCCASSIONAL SNACKS			Lunch order bags 10 cents each (H) = Halal, (V) = Vegetarian, (GF) = Gluten Free E = Everyday Item O = Occasional Item	
O – JELLY CUPS (Tuesday Only)	\$2.00			
O – PRETZELS	\$2.00			
O – MAMEE NOODLE SNACKS (H)	\$2.00			
O – CHOCOLATE MUFFIN (H)	\$3.00			
O – SEA SALT CHIPS	\$2.50			

BEFORE SCHOOL		OCCASSIONAL HOT FOOD		SANDWICHES	
E – UP & GO	\$3.00	O – CHICKEN BURGER		E – JAM	\$3.00
E – NIPPY'S FLAVOURED MILK	\$3.00	(with Lettuce & Mayo) (H)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE	\$3.00
E – HOT CHOCOLATE	\$2.00	- Additions (Cheese, Tomato)	50c Each	E – HAM	\$3.00
E – FLAVOURED MILK	\$2.00	O – CHEESE PIZZA (V)	\$5.50	E – CHICKEN	\$3.00
- CHOCOLATE		O – PIZZA SLAB (H)(Meat, BBQ Chicken)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$3.50
- STRAWBERRY		O – NOODLE CUP (Chicken, Beef)	\$5.00	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$3.50
- BANANA		O – SAUSAGE ROLL (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$3.50
- CARAMEL		O – GARLIC BREAD (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00	O – PARTY PIES (H)	\$2.50	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – CEREAL BOWL (Milo / Cheerio's)	\$2.00	O – POTATO GEMS (H) (V)	6 for \$2.00	E – CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.00
		O – VEGETABLE SPING ROLLS (H) (V)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, HAM, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
		O – CHICKEN NUGGETS (H)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
EVERYDAY HOT FOOD		TOASTIES		E – TUNA	\$3.50
E – BEEF BURGER (with Cheese) (H)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE	\$3.50	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA	\$3.50
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$4.00	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
E – VEGGIE BURGER (with Cheese) (V)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$4.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.00	E – TUNA & MAYO	\$4.00
E – TWISTA BOLOGNESE (H)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & MAYO	\$4.50
E – PENNE NAPOLITANA (V)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.50
E – MAC & CHEESE (V)	\$5.50	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – TUNA, MAYO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – GARDEN SALAD BOWL (V)	\$5.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – CORN ON THE COB (V)	\$2.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00	E – TUNA, CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$5.00
E – SWEET CHILLI, TOMATO & BBQ SAUCE	50c Each	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00		

## ★ Managing Student Attendance ★

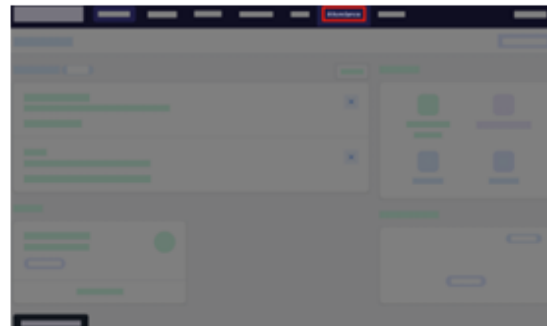
The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and provide a response for any student absences. The parent portal also allows parents to provide details of a planned absence if the absence details are known in advance, for example, a scheduled medical appointment.

### Log into the parent portal



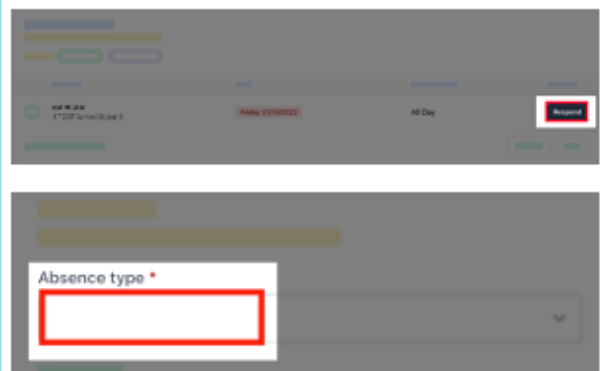
The screenshot shows the 'Log in to the parent portal' page for School Bytes. It includes a logo at the top, followed by the title and a link to 'Or create a new account'. Below this are input fields for 'Email address' and 'Password'. There is a 'Remember me' checkbox and a 'Forgot your password?' link. A blue 'Log in' button is at the bottom of the form. A 'User guides' link with an external icon is located at the bottom right of the page.

### Select "attendance" from the navigation bar.



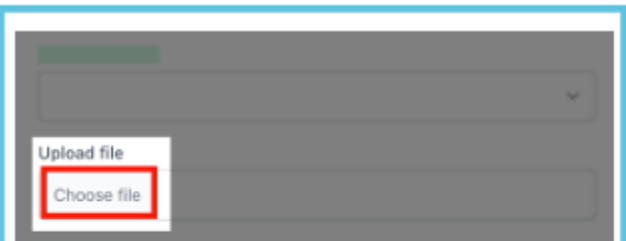

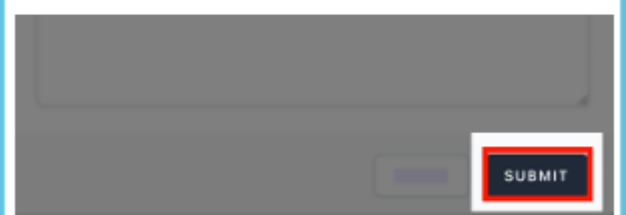


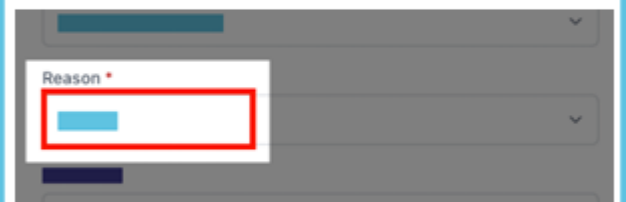

### Unexplained absences

1. Select "response"
2. Select "absence type" from the available option.
3. Upload any supporting documentation
4. Enter a reason for the absence in the comment field
5. Select "submit"



The screenshot shows the 'Unexplained absences' form. The 'Response' tab is highlighted with a red box. Below the form, the 'Absence type' dropdown menu is open, and the 'Absence type' label is highlighted with a red box. The dropdown menu shows a list of absence types.



	 <p>Upload file</p> <p>Choose file</p>
<p><b>Planned Absences</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Select "create" and a pop up will be displayed.</li><li>2. Select "school"</li><li>3. Select an absence "reason"</li><li>4. Select "duration"</li><li>5. Upload any supporting documentation</li><li>6. Add a comment</li><li>7. Select "submit"</li></ol>	 <p>Comment *</p> <p></p>  <p>SUBMIT</p>  <p>Planned absences</p> <p>Create</p>  <p>School *</p>  <p>Reason *</p>  <p>Duration *</p>