



# NEWSLETTER

Glenwood Public School



**Week 7 Term 3**

**PBL Rule:**

**Be a Learner:**

Accept the consequences

**Week 7 Term 3**

**Smiling Mind Focus:**

**Empathy**



## Week 6 Term 3 Newsletter

### Zone Carnival

Well done to all the students who attended this week's The Fields zone athletic carnival. The weather was favourable and allowed for a great two days of events.

We are awaiting official confirmation from The Fields committee to determine if any students have qualified for the Sydney Southwest regional carnival. Qualification is now based on beating qualifying times rather than places.

Thank you to Mrs Michaels, Mrs Findlay and Mrs Tuncer who attended the carnival over the two days. Additionally, thank you to Mrs Michael, who oversaw the administration leading up to the carnival.

### Stage 2 Wedderburn

Many of our Stage 2 students attended Wedderburn Christian Campsite on Tuesday and Wednesday. This camp offered our students a variety of activities designed to challenge them and put them out of their comfort zone.

Thank you to Mr Knobel, Miss Weeitch and Mr Gough, who took time away from their families and loved ones to give our students this wonderful opportunity.

### Canteen Audit

Our school canteen was recently audited for food and safety by Campbelltown City Council. Our canteen passed with additional comments noting that it is one of the cleanest canteens audited by the ranger.

Congratulations and thank you to Kristina Risteska, our canteen manager, for the effort she puts in to ensuring our canteen is a healthy and clean environment for our students' food preparation. I'd also like to acknowledge and thank our P&C President, Jacki Payer, for assisting and supporting Kristina in our canteen.

### Assembly

Congratulations to all our award winners at yesterday's assembly. Keep up the good work! Photos of our recipients will be published in next week's newsletter.

Thank you to Mrs Michael and 5/6M for hosting the assembly.

### Public Speaking Success

Congratulations to Kashvi B, who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the regional public speaking finals. Kashvi's prepared speech was on the topic of "When does an immigrant become an Australian?"

Congratulations and well done, Kashvi. A great achievement!



### Father's Day Stall

Our Father's Day stall will be operating next Tuesday in the school hall. Thank you to the P&C and the volunteers who will be assisting in the selling of these items.

### Tournament of Minds

Good luck to our Tournament of Minds (TOM) team, who will be delivering their prepared performance, which was showcased at yesterday's assembly. The TOM is a problem-solving program for teams of students. The TOM aims to enhance the potential of our youth by developing diverse skills, enterprise, time management, and the discipline to work collaboratively within a challenging and competitive environment.

The tournament is being held tomorrow at Hurlstone Agricultural High School. Good luck to Joseph M, Emily H, Ava G, Althea A, Samira H, Aatman S and Davin K. I have no doubt they will be amazing!

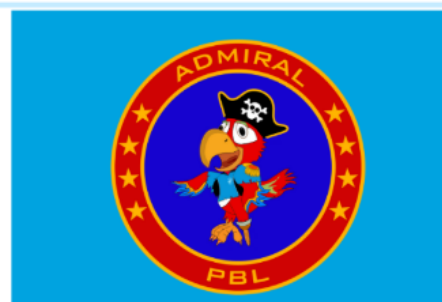
Thank you to Mr Gough and Miss Weeitch for donating their time to be there tomorrow to afford our students this wonderful opportunity.

Have a great weekend!

Mr J McInney

Principal





## ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN!!

Enrol using the QR code below or visit the Glenwood Public School website, click on the enrolment tab and follow the instructions.

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**Glenwood Public School Website**  
<https://glenwood-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



# FREE FORMAL ATTIRE

The Formal Project Inc  
is a FREE community service  
available to any student of any  
gender attending a year 6, 10 or 12  
formal, Australia Wide.

Student bookings are available  
from the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2025, in store  
at Ground Floor, Heritage  
Building, 263 Queen Street  
Campbelltown NSW 2560 or via  
zoom for interstate students.

For further information we ask  
you to please scan the QR code  
on the right and follow our  
Facebook, Instagram or TikTok  
page, alternatively email  
[admin@theformalproject.org](mailto:admin@theformalproject.org)  
for further information.

We are here to ensure every child  
can attend their end of year  
celebrations with dignity.  
All information is private and confidential.



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# The Formal Project

## No Child Left Behind



Our Op-Shop is open to the public 7 days a week, 9am - 4pm, it is a vital source in raising funds to ensure we can continue supporting children Australia wide.



Donations of general and formal clothing are accepted in store during trading hours.

Please see our Facebook page for all donation information.



We are a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission (ACNC).

We hold a deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) endorsement with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Every donation of \$2.00 or more is tax deductible. Each donation makes a huge difference to the life of a child.





## **Public Education Week 2025**

Ignite your potential

### **Glenwood Concert**

This year we're celebrating the Education Week theme "Ignite your potential".

Join us in celebrating our amazing creative achievements during Week 9. Let's share our pride in our school!

Tickets on sale soon.



# **Lost Property Project**

## **'Happy Place, Happy Face'**



*Sapphire is sad because she lost her hat and jacket!*



*Sapphire is happy when she finds her hat and jacket with the new labels in the lost property area!*

**Time and date - Week 4 Lunch**

**August 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday August 11<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten**

**Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup> - Stage 1**

**Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup> - Stage 2**

**Friday August 15<sup>th</sup> - Stage 3**



**Megan Griffiths**  
**School Ambassador**

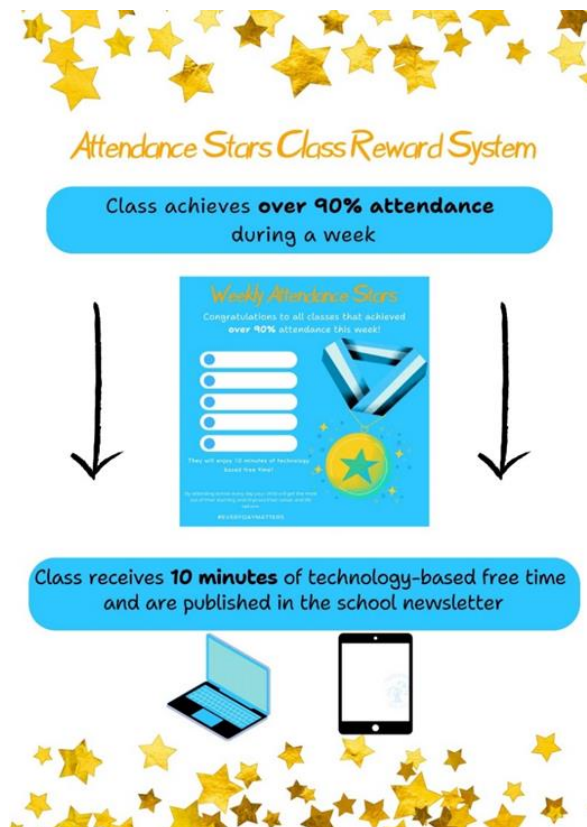
# Attendance Information

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 individual 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.

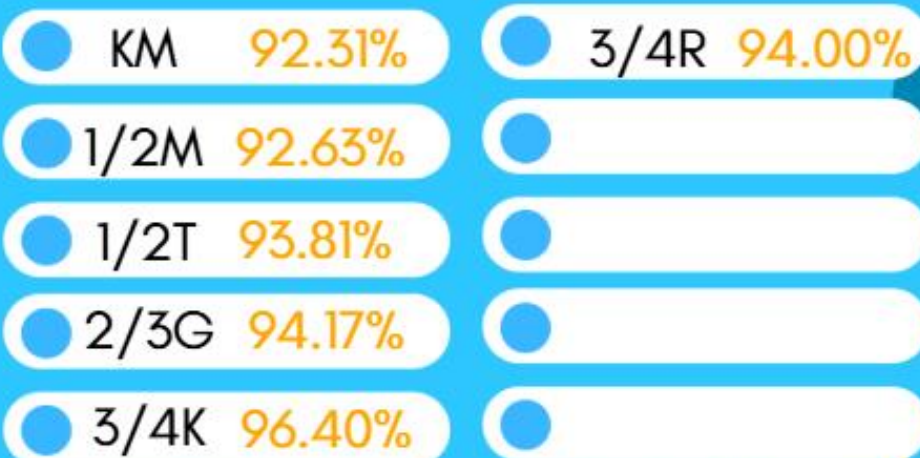


## Class Attendance Stars

Well done to these classes who, as a class, have attended school over 90% this week.

# Week 6 Attendance Stars

Congratulations to all classes that achieved  
**over 90% attendance this week!**



They will enjoy 10 minutes of technology based free time!

By attending school every day your child will get the most out of their learning and improve their career and life options.

#EVERYDAYMATTERS



# Compulsory school attendance

## | 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...



## 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

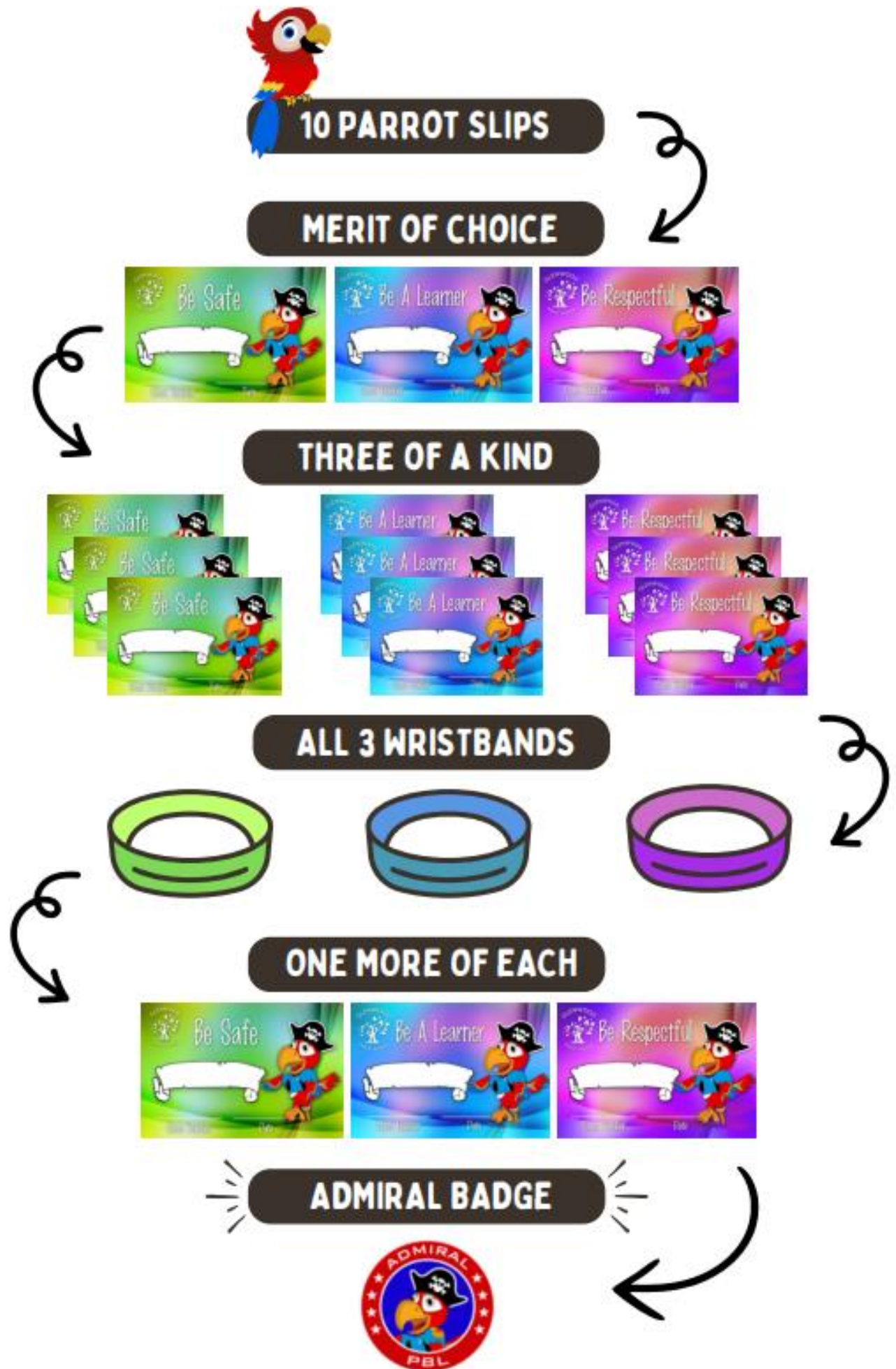
### The school leaving age:

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.





# 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

**Leppington Bunning Barbecue** – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. If families would like to donate cartons of soft drink to the P&C, they can be dropped off at the school canteen.

**P&C Father's Day Stall** – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Leftover items will be on sale in the canteen for the remainder of the week until sold out.

**Next P&C Meeting** – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September (Week 8) at 6:00 pm in the school library



## 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**

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

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# MONSTER P&C RAFFLE

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

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

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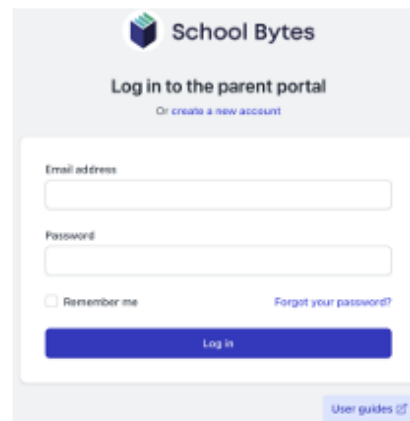
EVERYDAY SNACKS		GLENWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU		DRINKS	
E – BREAD STICKS	50c Each			E – WATER	\$3.00
E – JATZ (3pk)	50c Each	ICE TREATS		E – POPPER JUICE	\$2.00
E – AIR POPPED POPCORN	50 cents			(Apple, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple Raspberry & Tropical)	
E - CUSTARD CUP	\$2.00			E – UP & GO	\$3.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00			(Strawberry, Chocolate, Vanilla & Banana)	
E – APPLE & SLINKY	\$2.00			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 – ICE MONY	\$2.00	E – MIXED BERRY SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
E – CUCUMBER STICKS	\$2.00	(Blue Raspberry GF), Strawberry GF, Red Berry GF, Watermelon, Lemon Ice & Chocolate)		E – BANANA OAT SMOOTHIE	\$5.00
		E – JUICE TUBES (GF)	\$2.50		
		(Lemonade, Orange, Tropical & Wildberry)			
		O – PADDLE POP	\$2.50		
		(Chocolate / Rainbow)			
		O – GELATO CUP	\$2.50		
		(Bubble-gum, Chocolate & Strawberry)			
		Lunch order bags 10 cents each			
		(H) = Halal, (V) = Vegetarian,			
		(GF) = Gluten Free			
		E = Everyday Item O = Occasional Item			
OCCASSIONAL SNACKS					
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 (with Lettuce & Mayo) (H)	\$6.00	E – JAM	\$3.00
E – NIPPY'S FLAVOURED MILK	\$3.00	- Additions (Cheese, Tomato)	50c Each	E – CHEESE	\$3.00
E – HOT CHOCOLATE	\$2.00	O – CHEESE PIZZA (V)	\$5.50	E – HAM	\$3.00
E – FLAVOURED MILK	\$2.00	O – PIZZA SLAB (H)(Meat, BBQ Chicken)	\$5.50	E – CHICKEN	\$3.00
- CHOCOLATE		O – NOODLE CUP (Chicken, Beef)	\$5.00	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$3.50
- STRAWBERRY		O – SAUSAGE ROLL (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$3.50
- BANANA		O – GARLIC BREAD (H)	\$4.00	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$3.50
- CARAMEL		O – PARTY PIES (H)	\$2.50	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – SEASONAL FRUIT	\$2.00	O – POTATO GEMS (H) (V)	6 for \$2.00	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.00
E – CEREAL BOWL (Milo / Cheerio's)	\$2.00	O – VEGETABLE SPING ROLLS (H) (V)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.00
EVERYDAY HOT FOOD		O – CHICKEN NUGGETS (H)	80c Each	E – CHEESE, HAM, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – BEEF BURGER (with Cheese) (H)	\$6.00	TOASTIES		E – CHEESE, CHICKEN, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE	\$3.50	E – TUNA	\$3.50
E – VEGGIE BURGER (with Cheese) (V)	\$6.00	E – CHEESE & HAM	\$4.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA	\$3.50
- Additions (Tomato, Lettuce)	50c Each	E – CHEESE & CHICKEN	\$4.00	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
E – TWISTA BOLOGNESE (H)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.00
E – PENNE NAPOLITANA (V)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, HAM & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA & MAYO	\$4.00
E – MAC & CHEESE (V)	\$5.50	E – CHEESE, CHICKEN & TOMATO	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & MAYO	\$4.50
E – GARDEN SALAD BOWL (V)	\$5.00	E – TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$4.50
E – CORN ON THE COB (V)	\$2.50	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA & CHEESE	\$4.50	E – TUNA, MAYO & LETTUCE	\$4.50
E – SWEET CHILLI, TOMATO & BBQ SAUCE	50c Each	E – TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00	E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & LETTUCE	\$4.50
		E – SWEET CHILLI TUNA, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$5.00	E – TUNA, CHEESE, TOMATO & LETTUCE	\$5.00

## ★ Managing Student Attendance ★

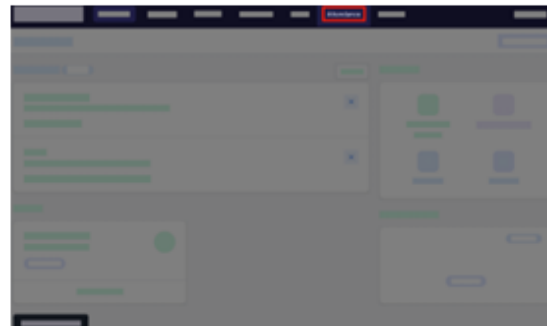
The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and provide a response for any student absences. The parent portal also allows parents to provide details of a planned absence if the absence details are known in advance, for example, a scheduled medical appointment.

### Log into the parent portal



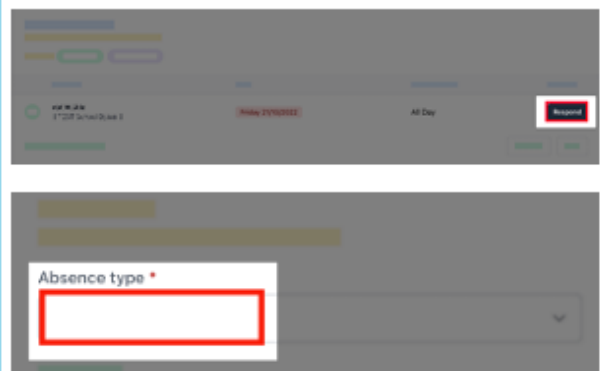
The screenshot shows the 'Log in to the parent portal' page for School Bytes. It includes a logo at the top, followed by the title and a link to 'Or create a new account'. Below this are input fields for 'Email address' and 'Password'. There is a 'Remember me' checkbox and a 'Forgot your password?' link. 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.

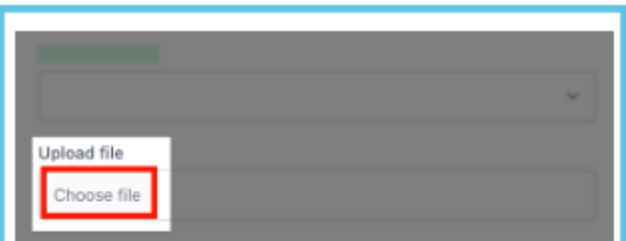




### Unexplained absences

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. At the top, there is a 'Response' button highlighted with a red box. Below this, there is a section for 'Absence type' with a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of options, with the first option highlighted by a red box. The form also includes fields for 'Date', 'Time', and 'All Day'.

	  
<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>	