

# **PARENT PORTAL INFORMATION RE COMPASS**

In the last six months, our school has begun moving to a new student information system called Compass. It is a cloud-based program that is in the process of being rolled out in all Primary and Secondary schools in the Diocese of Wagga Wagga.

In the coming weeks we will begin sending SMS notifications to one nominated person in each household where a parent/caregiver resides for unexplained absences from school. Each family can elect to adjust who receives the SMS. Please contact the school office directly for this adjustment to be made.

The SMS will also contain a link allowing a parent/caregiver to directly enter the attendance note/approval into the system. A guide will be provided via email in the near future for this.

Next week we will be opening the Parent Portals and you will have access to parts of Compass. Not every area of Compass is currently set up and operating. Some features will be progressively opened throughout this year and next.

Parents will initially be able to view their child's attendance, providing reasons why their child is absent or late. You will be able to see any relevant News items, a school calendar and school news. Existing student reports will also be made available via the portal in the near future. Compass has a web portal and a mobile app which works on Android and Apple devices.

Next week each parent/caregiver will be emailed a unique username and password to gain access to the portal. A printed copy of these will be attached to next week's newsletter for each parent.