

# Maronite College of the Holy Family, Parramatta

# Parent Portal User Guide

#### What is the Parent Portal?

The Parent Portal provides parents or residential guardians with access to some of the information the school holds on them and on their students. The College controls which options are available to parents/guardians in the Parent Portal.



# What does the portal include?

The portal includes four tiles:

- My Children
- My Family
- My School
- My Account (not active for the College)





# Tile 1: My Children

The *My Children* tile displays the details on each student, a Parent Teacher Interview section and a Class Directory.

# **Student Details**

The parent/guardian clicks on the student's name to view the details the College has recorded for their student.

The items on the left menu display personal information on the student.

Details displays the student's ID, name, cultural details, house, year and class.

Address displays the students address details

Travel displays the travel details recorded for the student

**Medical** displays the medical information recorded for the student.

This provides the ability for the parent/guardian to check that the information the College has recorded for them is current and correct.



#### **Update Student Details**

A parent/guardian can update the student details and submit a change request to the College by selecting the *Edit* option. This provides an easy method for the parents/guardians to notify the College of changes. The College can process these requests to update the student's record.

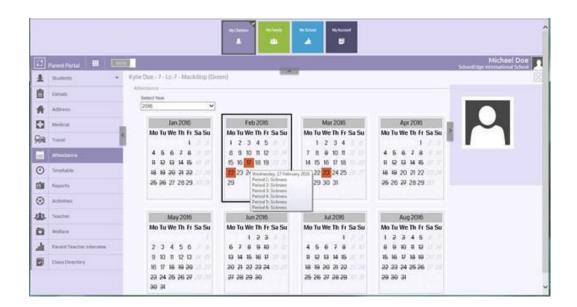


#### **Student Attendance**

Parents/Guardians can view an attendance calendar for the year to date for each student.

Place the mouse over a date to view the attendance details for that day.

A coloured background on a date indicates an absence or a partial absence.



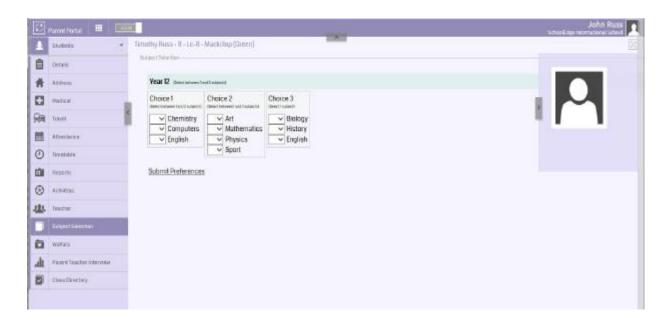
#### **Timetable**

The *Timetable* tab displays the student's current timetable.



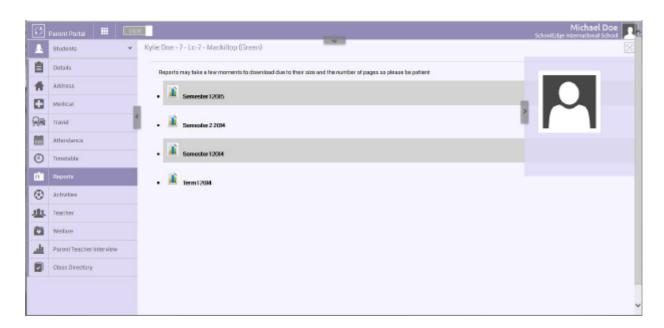
### **Subject Selection**

The *Subject Selection* tab enables the student to select and submit their subject choices for the next semester or year. The Subject Selection tab is only available for entry during the time period set for the students to enter their choices. The Portal can be set to provide parents/guardians with access to their children's subject selections.

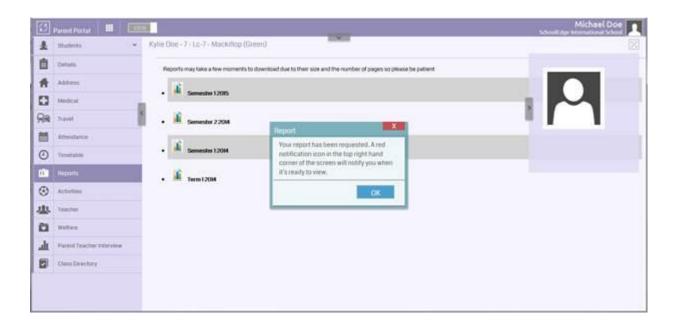


#### **Reports**

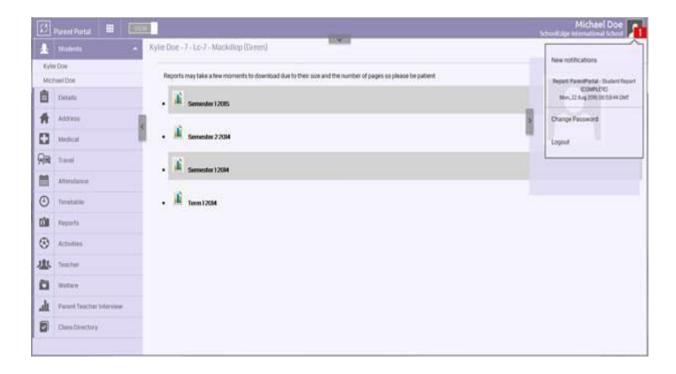
The parent/guardian can view their student's academic reports from the Parent Portal.



The parent/guardian clicks on the report name to generate the report.



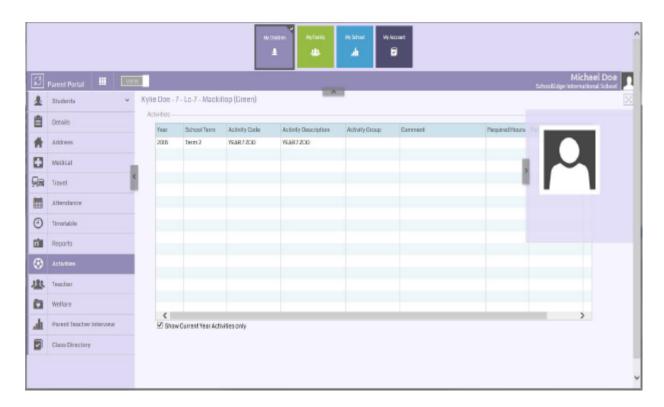
When the parent/guardian runs the report they are notified when the report is available by a red notification icon displayed on the account menu, top right corner of the screen. The parent/guardian clicks on the red notification and selects the report from the account menu. The report can be printed or saved from the preview.



#### **Activities**

The *Activities* tab displays the activities the student participates in.

A *Current Year* tick box enables the parent/guardian to view either the information recorded in the current academic year or for their whole time at the College.



#### **Teachers**

The student's teachers are listed and displayed with their photo in the parent portal if they are available in the administration database. The College selects if the staff photos are to be displayed on the portal.



#### Welfare

Access to the Welfare section and its sub-sections is controlled by the portal settings.

#### Schools using the AWMS Welfare module

The Welfare section contains sub-sections to display the Sick Bay, Incidents, Notes, or Commendations recorded for the student.

A Filter option enables parents/guardians to view the welfare details for the current year, last year, last 2 years, last 3 years or all records.

The parent/guardian clicks on the sub-sections to display a list of the records for each welfare type.



The parent/guardian can click on an item to view the full details for the entry.

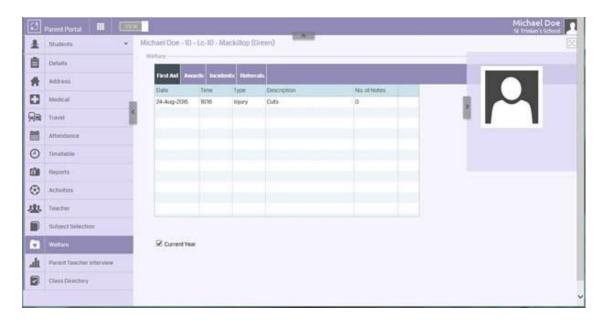


#### Schools using Welfare in the admin program

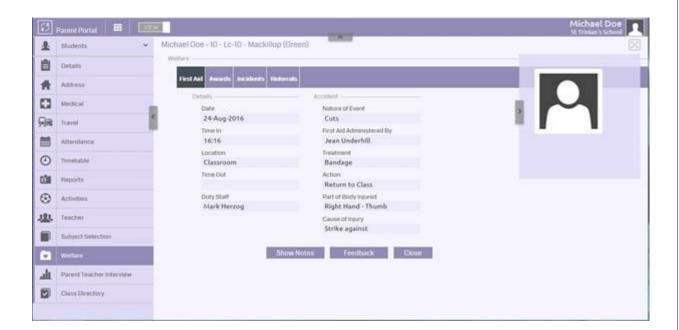
The *Welfare* section contains sub-sections to display the First Aid, Awards, Incidents, or Referrals recorded for the student.

A *Current Year* tick box enables the parent/guardian to view either the information recorded in the current academic year or for their whole time at the College.

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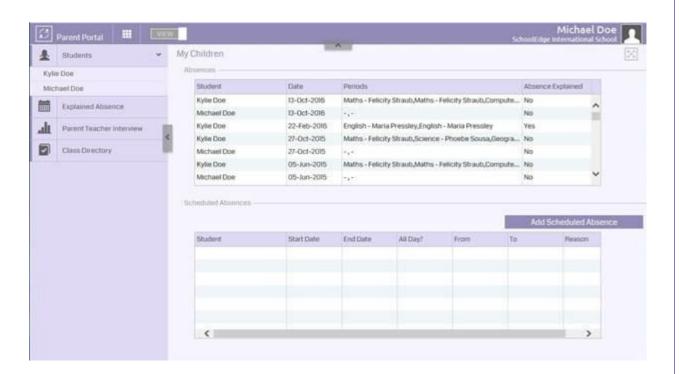


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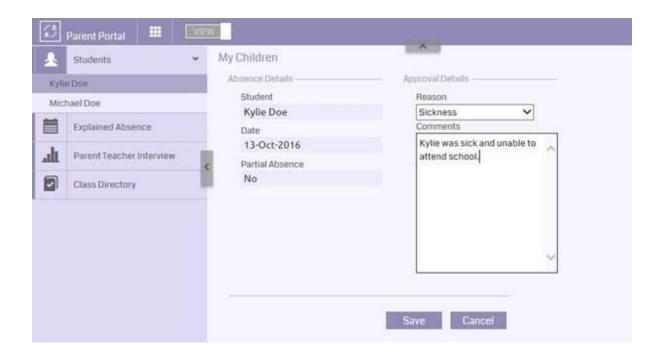


# **Explained Absences**

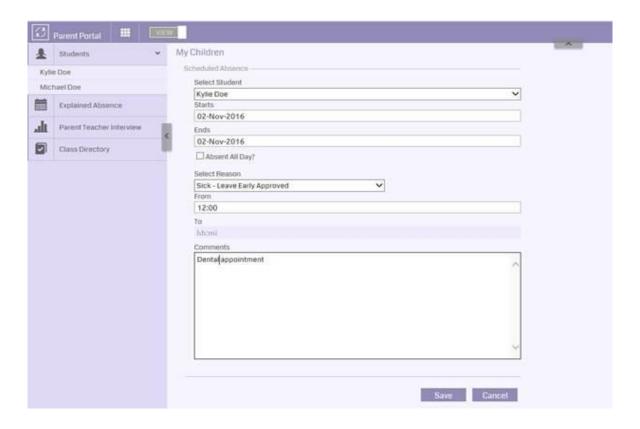
The *Explained Absence* section enables parents/guardians to update the reason why their child was absent from the College on a particular day or to enter the details of a future planned absence. This enables the parent/guardian to provide the College with the absence reason and future absence details without phoning the College or sending in a note.



To explain an existing absence, the parent/guardian clicks on the absence and enters the *Reason* and *Comments*.



To add an entry for a future absence, the parent/guardian clicks on *Add Scheduled Absence* and enters the details for the planned future absence, e.g. a dental appointment.



# **Parent Teacher Interviews**

The *Parent Teacher Interview* section enables the parent/guardian to book their parent teacher interviews. All students are displayed in one grid making it easy to ensure appointments are concurrent and do not overlap.

The appointment times display in a grid. The date, teacher and student are shown in the column headings. The appointment times are the rows.

The parents can book an appointment:

- using the auto book function, or
- individually by clicking on a cell for the time and the date, teacher and student for appointment

The colour of the cells let the parents/guardians know which times are available and which are already booked.



## **Auto Book Appointments**

The *Auto Book* option makes it quicker for parents/guardians with several students attending the College to book their appointments



The *Auto Book Appointments* form enables the parent/guardian to select the date and time range within the PTI times that they can attend.

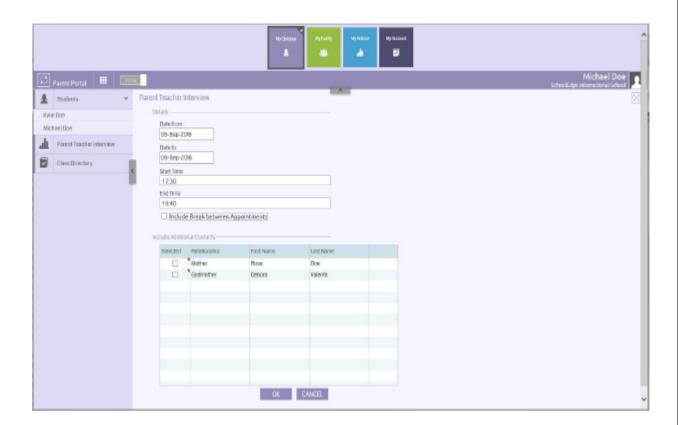
# The *Include Break between Appointments* option when:

- Ticked puts a space in between the PTI appointments booked for the parents/guardians, to allow the parent time to move from one appointment to another.
- Un-ticked and it will try to put the appointments one after the other.

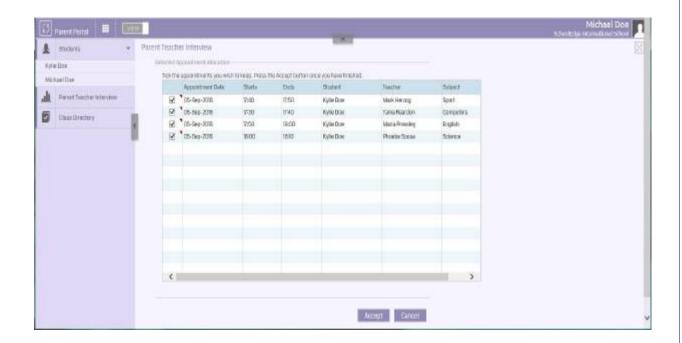
The *Attending Contacts* section enables the parent/guardian to select if the other parent/guardian will also be attending the appointment.

Note: the list of additional contacts is set to display in this order:

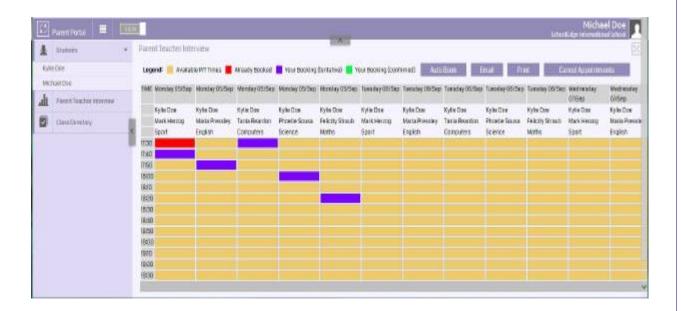
- Residential Guardian Mother
- Residential Guardian Father
- Other Residential Guardians
- Non-Residential Guardian Mother
- Non-Residential Guardian Father
- The remaining contacts for the child



The selected appointment times are displayed on screen. The parent/guardian can then accept or reject these appointment times.



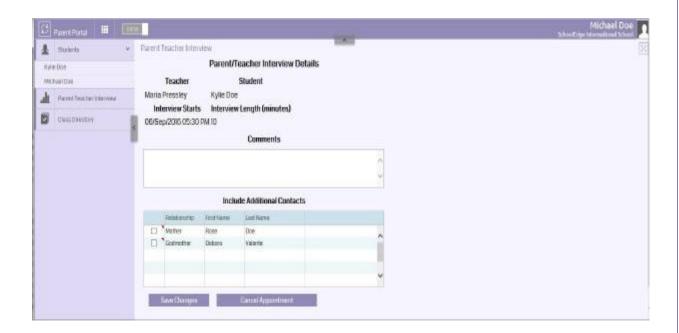
The selected appointment(s) display on screen as tentative until the College confirms the appointment, if the 'Show Tentative/Confirmed Status' setting is ticked in Parent Portal Settings.



#### **Book Appointments individually**

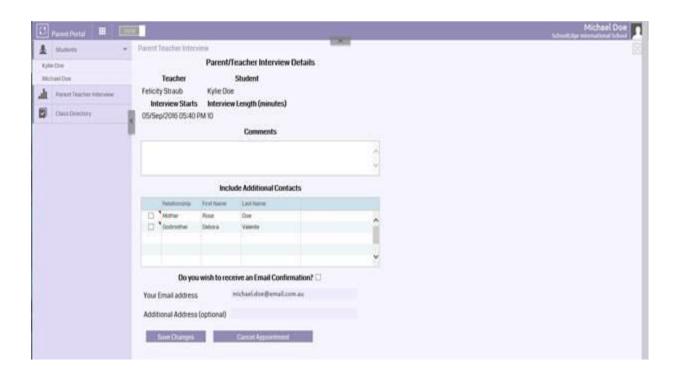
To book an individual appointment the parent/guardian clicks on a cell for the time, and the date and teacher for their student.

A *Parent/Teacher Interview Details* window displays for the parent/guardian to add any comments and select if the other parent/guardian will also attend the interview.



If the option to email a confirmation of the booking is active the parent/guardian can select to email a booking confirmation when they create the booking.

*Note:* The school can switch this email confirmation message off.



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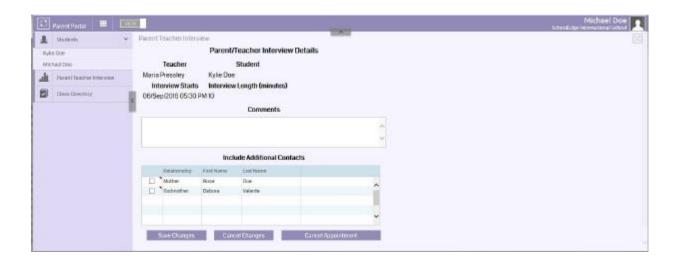


When the appointment is confirmed it displays in a different colour.



# **Cancel Appointment**

While the parent teacher interview appointment is tentative, the parent/guardian can click on the appointment and cancel it.



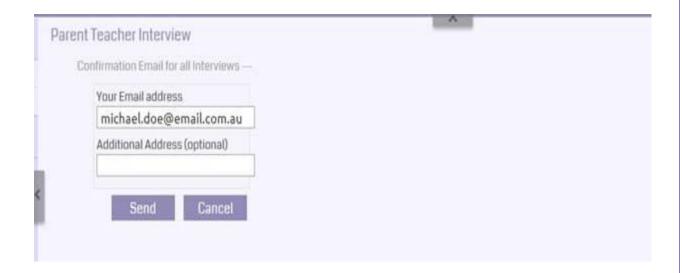
Once the PTI appointment has been confirmed the parent/guardian can't cancel the appointment from the Parent Portal. The parent/guardian needs to contact the College to change the appointment.

#### **Email Confirmation**

The parent/guardian can select *Email* to email themselves a list of all their PTI appointments.

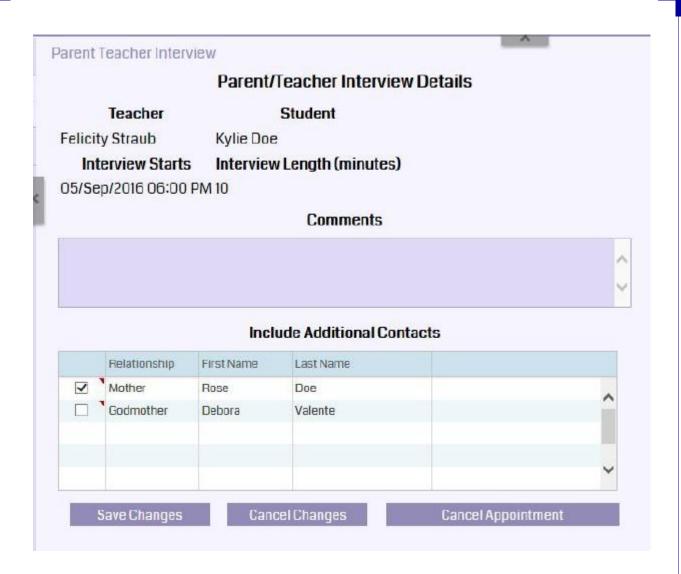


The parent/guardian can adjust their email address and add an additional email address for the PTI appointment list to be sent, e.g. to email a copy of the appointments to their work email or to the other parent/guardian.

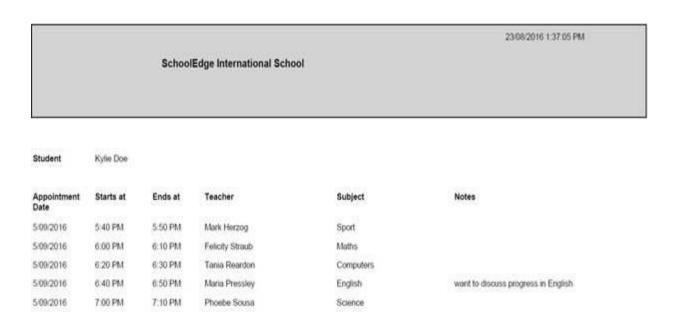


# **View or Print Appointment Details**

The parent/guardian can click on an appointment to view the appointment details.



The *Print* button enables the parent/guardian to print a report listing all their Parent Teacher Interviews in chronological order.





# Tile 2: My Family

The *My Family* tile enables the parent/guardian to check their details and the details for their student's emergency contacts.

The College determines which details are displayed for the parents/guardians and the emergency contacts in the Parent Portal.

The parent/guardian clicks on their name to view their details.



The Emergency Contact details for the students can be checked.



# **Update Contact Details**

Parents/Guardians have the ability to update their details and the emergency contact's details and submit a change request to the College.

This provides an easy method for the parents/guardians to notify the College of changes.

The College can process these requests to update the contact's record.





# Tile 3: My School

The *My School* tile displays communications to the parents/guardians, useful information about the College and Key Dates.

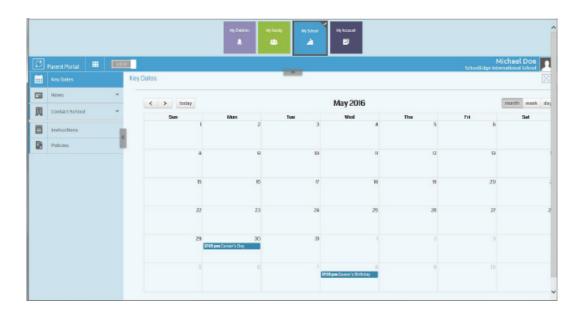


# **Announcements and Important Dates**

The *News* page displays the announcements that the College has sent to the Parent Portal. The announcements can be items that apply to the entire College, a department or the student's year level.



The *Key Dates* page displays the Important Dates information that the College has selected to display in the portal.



# **Custom Pages**

The school may add custom pages to display specific information.

Custom pages can be added to the:

- My School tile as a menu tab
- Contact School sub menu tab

In this example a *Policies* page has been added to the My School tile as a menu tab.



Custom pages can be added to the *Contact School* menu to provide contact information for different activities at the College. In this example pages have been added for admissions enquiries, before and after school care, junior and senior school, school directory and school clubs.



# **Instructions**

The College can use this page to provide the students and parents with information on using the portal.

