Parent Portal User guide

Welcome to the new **Forbes High School** Parent Portal! The Parent Portal has been implemented for communication and absence monitoring. Parents are granted access to student's data via a unique key issued by the school.

Parents will be able to:

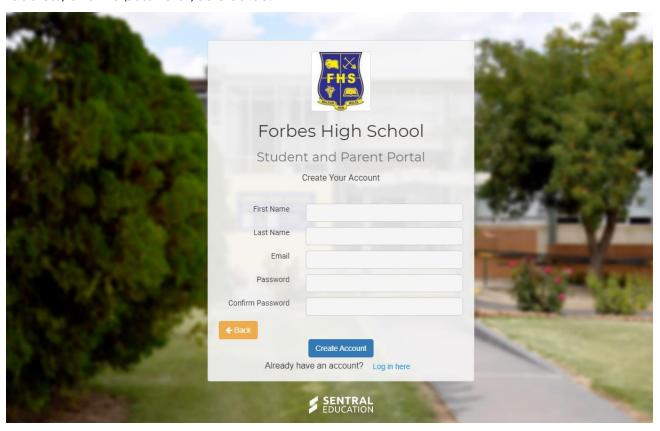
- View Students timetable
- Receive student report cards electronically
- View Assessment and homework for each student
- View School Documents & resources
- View Daily Notices
- Send messages & absence notifications to school and class teachers

Initial Step:

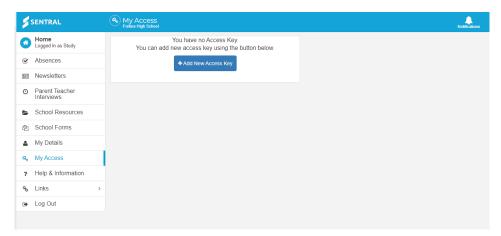
You will have received an email that provides each parent with the URL link.

Please log on to the Internet and register via https://forbeshs.sentral.com.au/portal2

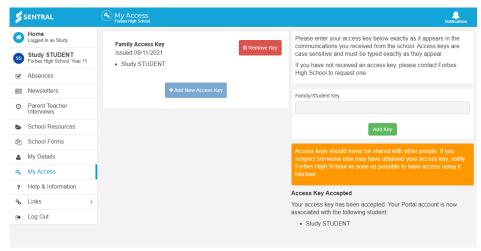
You must use a valid email address to create a username for this account as it needs to be verified. Once registered and verified, you will be prompted to enter your username (email address) and the password you created.



To be linked to school information & your child/ren you will need to enter the unique **access key** provided in the email by clicking on **My Access - + Add New Access Key**



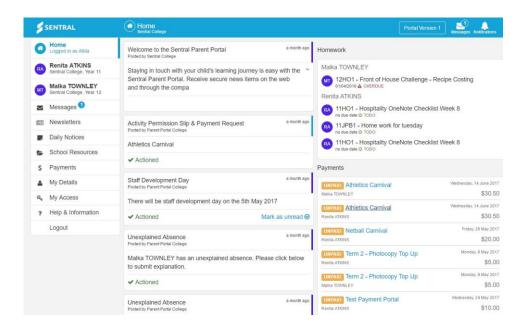
Once you have entered the code and clicked **Add key** the following screen should appear.



Congratulations! You have successfully setup the Parent Portal access and been linked to your child/ren.

Portal Navigation & Home Screen:

Click **Home** and the following screen will display. Please note this is a sample only and each parent may see different information. As a parent, you will be able to see the names of all your child/ren that attend our school.

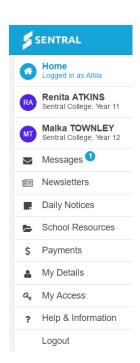


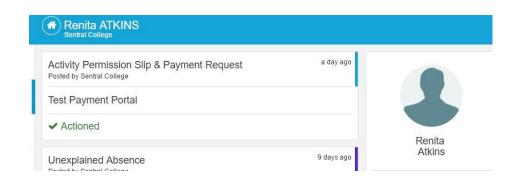
The top right of the screen allows you to view Messages and Notifications. These are highlighted with a number if there are any that are not read yet.

When you click on the **Messages** Button - it will display the unread messages. If there are no unread messages you will get a message stating No new Messages.

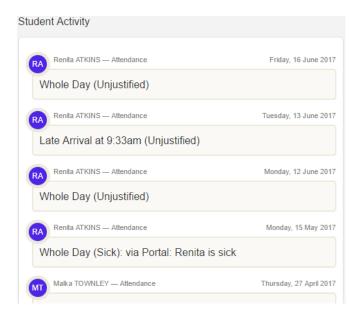
When you click on the **Notifications** Button - it will display the unread Notifications. If there are no new notifications you will get a message stating No new Notifications.

The **Home Screen** will display all your students on the left-hand side of the screen. You can click on each student to view portal information relating to that student.



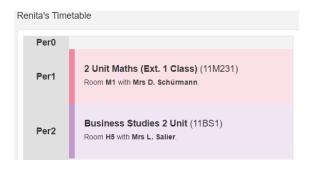


• **Student Activity** displays a read-only timeline of information for students e.g. Attendance, Sick bay and published reports



Or drill down to a student view. Select the student to view only their student activity panel.

• **Student timetable** - select the student from the home screen to display their timetable for the day.



• **Student Class Detail** – select a student from the home screen to display roll class and academic classes (high school only) with teacher details.

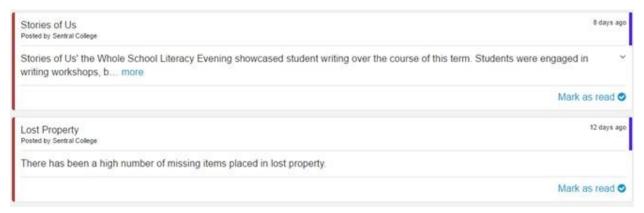


Menu Items:

• Messages & Notifications

Notifications tab is a push notification relating to general communication sent out by the school e.g. payments or permissions.





Parent can Mark as Read so the item has now been actioned



The Push Notification will then reflect those that are unread.



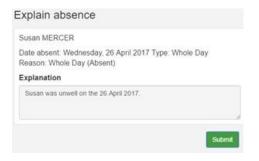
The **Messages** tab will display messages between the parent and school/teacher. From within this screen you have the option to create a New Message/conversation, or Notify the school of an upcoming absence. You can also add a message to an existing message.



Click on the **Messages Tab** to open and view. The screen below shows an Unexplained Absence that needs an explanation sent back to the school. Click on the link showing the Unexplained Absence.



To the right of the screen there is an option to explain the absence. Type a reason for the absence and click on **Submit** Button.



View Messages

Within the **Messages Tab** you can select what messages you wish to display by clicking on the down arrow as shown below.



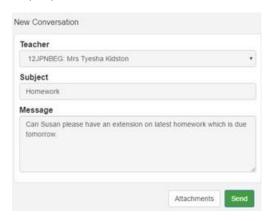
To generate a new message click on New Message button. options are available on the right of the screen.





Start a conversation

Click on this option to send a message to an individual teacher and the following fields are displayed to enter.



Teacher: Select the teacher from the drop-down list.

Subject: Type in the Subject

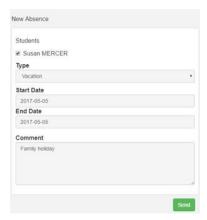
Message: Type the message.

Attachment: If you wish to add an attachment click on this option.

Click on **Send** button to send the message.

Notify of an Absence

Click on this option to send an absence that will happen in the future.



Students: Tick the students that the absence is for.

Type: Select the absence type from the drop-down list. e.g. Sick, Vacation or Other.

Start Date: Using the arrows select the Start Date.

End Date: Using the arrows select the End Date.

Comment: Add any extra comments.

Click on **Send** button to send the message for the absence.

Newsletter

To view the **Newsletters** available on the Portal that the school has uploaded, once you log into the Parent Portal, click on the Newsletter Tab on the left side of the screen.

Newsletters

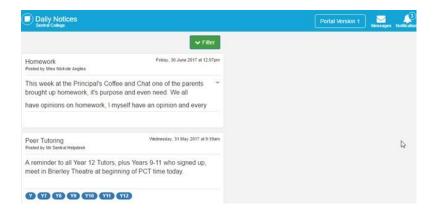
Select the newsletter and click on the **Download** button.



Daily Notices

Click on the Daily Notices Tab to open and view the Daily Notices.





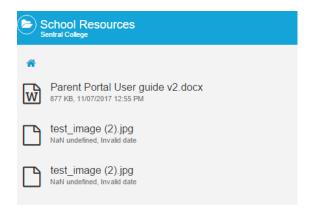
The **Filter** option enables you to filter by title, published after date, published before date or by year group.



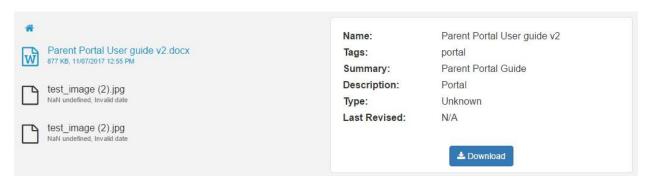
• School Resources

The **School Resources Tab** displays documents uploaded by the school available for parents to download.

School Resources



Select the document you wish to download and to the right of the screen it will give you an option to download the file.



• Interviews

The **Interview Tab** allows parents to book interviews and the screen displays the current Interviews that the parent has requested.

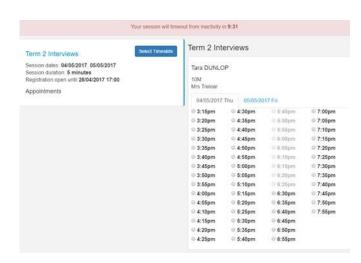
Interviews



To select the times, click on Select Timeslots Button is displayed.

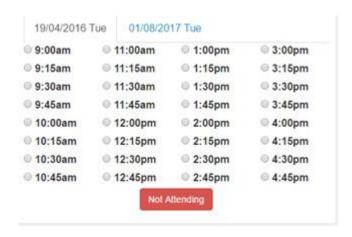
Select Timeslots

and the following screen



Scroll down for each teacher and select available timeslots and save booking.

Save Bookings



You may also select **Not Attending** if that option is avilable.

You need to click on Save Bookings to confirm these times.

If you click on **Interviews** tab your screen will now list the appointments.



My Details

The **My Details Tab** displays the details for the parent that is currently logged in. The details include name details, email address and password.

My Details

The information is displayed in the following breakdowns:

- My Details
- My Access
- Family Contact
- Emergency Contacts
- Student Details

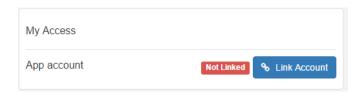
The details that can be changed are displayed with an **Edit** Button to the right.



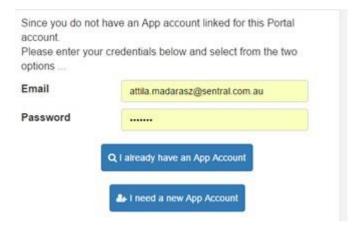
Make the necessary changes and click on Submit Details.







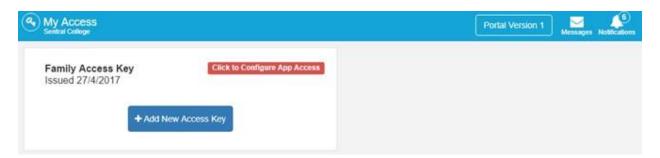
Click on Link Account.



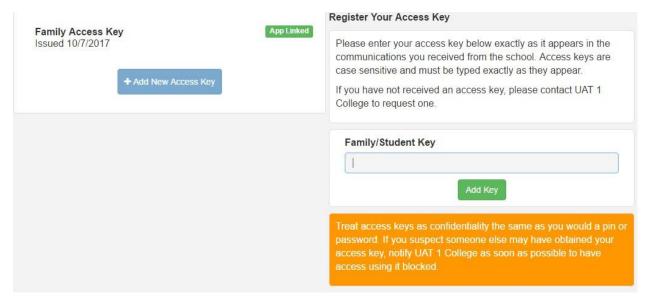
My Access

The **My Access Tab** displays when a Family Access Key was issued and the option to enter **Add a New Access Key**. You can enter the app compatible key you received directly into the Sentral parent app also.

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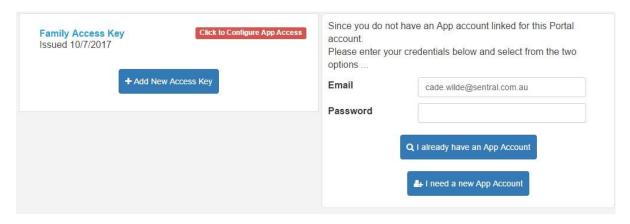


Each parent needs to **Add New Access Key** to authenticate the user for the app and provide a registration email to follow. Each Access key (whether Portal or app compatible) can only be **used once** now. This means parents within the same family will now need to download and register as individuals via each App & Google store. The Access key ensures that the child/ren are appended to the parent account.



The screen below demonstrates successful key link with authentication required via Parents email and password to link App Account.

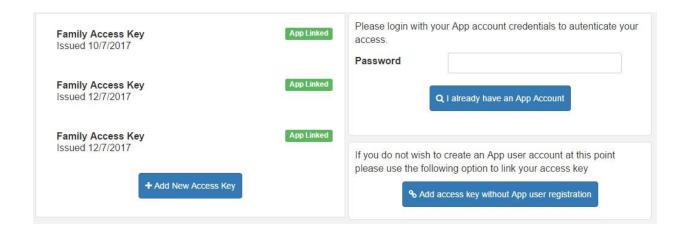
Enter your **Email** and **Password** and select one of 2 options:



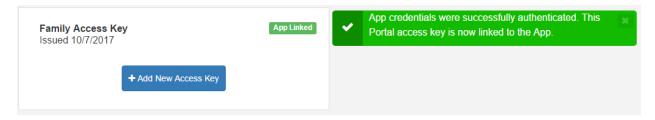
I already have an App Account – If you have already downloaded and registered via the App & Google store you will need to link Portal account to App account. You will be prompted to verify email and password.

IMPORTANT: Parent portal and app email need to be the same.

I need a new App Account – You have not yet visited the App or Google store.



Enter your Password



The email you receive will be look like this (Sample ONLY)

Your new Sentral Communications Account is ready

Hi Tod,

Once you have verified your account you can start adding access keys.

Complete Registration, your account is now ready to use.

The following screen is displayed confirming registration.

Registration Confirmation



To generate a password, click on **Set Password** and enter password details and click on **Save Password**.

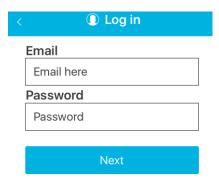
Update Password Updating password for: Susan Le Noury Password: Confirm Password: Save Password

You may download the **Sentral for Parents** app from App or Google store.

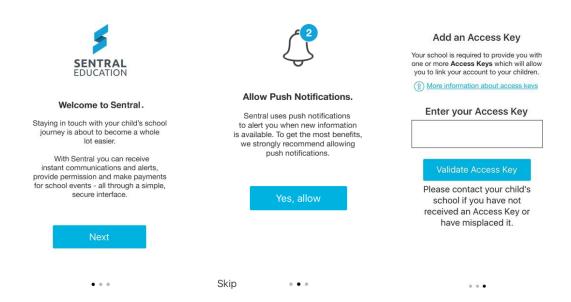
On the App go to Log In



Add Email & Password you created at registration.



These steps ensure you have the school and child/ren added to your account. Within the app you will step through various welcome screens. If you have the app compatible access key you may enter it on the 3rd screen. If you have completed the steps above, this is not required.



Help and Information

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Each question and answer will expand when you click on it.

Please contact the school directly if you require support or have a query in relation to the Parent Portal and app.