

## Getting to know you and your child 18/2

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Please note that the sessions scheduled for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb have been postponed until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. A new session has been opened on the Parent Portal.**

You are invited to complete the short form which is attached to this letter about you and your child. If you would like to discuss any information in greater detail you may book a short informal session (5 mins) or a phone call with your child's classroom teacher.

This is an opportunity for you to let your child's teacher know about your child's unique skills and qualities and for you to touch base with any information that can assist us as partners in your child's education. You may not require a meeting with the teacher but might like to update their existing knowledge about your child. You can do this by simply filling in the attached form.

Bookings for these sessions are now open through the Sentral Parent Portal or Sentral app. Please rebook a new time for **Monday 18th February 3.45 to 4.45pm**.

### What you need to do if you want to book a time?

- Go to the Sentral Parent Portal or Sentral app (see over the page for further details)

Please note that times will not be able to be booked after 5pm Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of February. If you have any difficulty with the on line booking system, please contact the school: 5977 8500. If you do not have access to the Internet, then contact the office directly to arrange a time.

Individual student progress will not be discussed during this chat but if you require more than the 5 minutes, please arrange with the class teacher an alternate time. Please be aware that if your child requires individual learning support you will be contacted by your child's classroom teacher by the 1st of March.

**\*individual learning plans will be in place for all students who are performing 12 months below or above expected level in Literacy or Numeracy.**

**\*Care team meetings for funded students will take place on the week of Monday the 25th of February.**

We are also looking to maintain and build our parent representative team\* and begin working bees (either twilight or weekend) and would like to know who can assist and what skills they can bring to help.

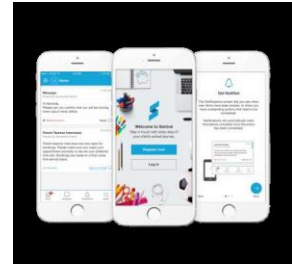
Please return the form to your child's teacher by Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2018.

Nicky Fammartino  
**PRINCIPAL**

\*Parent Representatives have a valuable role to play in helping communication, organisation and social connections with the families of your child's class. At this stage parent reps will meet on Friday mornings. Dates TBA

### **Sentral Parent Portal: Getting to Know You and Your Child - Bookings**

For the first time we will be using the Sentral Parent Portal to book times for our Getting to know You and Your Child chats. This is an opportunity for you to let your child's teacher know about your child's unique skills and qualities and for you to touch base with any information that can assist us as partners in your child's education. The length for this chat is 5 minutes and if you require further time with your child's teacher this can be arranged during the chat or through the school office.



The date and time for our chats is: **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb from 3:45-4:45pm.**

To make your interview bookings, this can be done by logging into your account using the web Sentral Parent Portal

<https://sentral.somerville-rise-ps.vic.edu.au/portal2/#!/login> or through the Sentral Parent App (if configured and linked)

When the times are open in the portal and you login a message will be visible informing you of the ability to make the booking.

Click on this message and then follow the prompts. When you click on the interview booking details, the box will show open interview times. If the time is greyed out, it means it is no longer available.

If you wish to cancel the time and/or change your time please contact the school office. The interview bookings will be made available from now and close on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb at 5pm. If you are having difficulties making your interview bookings please contact the school office for assistance. We hope you find the process of booking your child's chat time an easy and efficient one.

**INFORMATION GATHERING**

**February 2019**

**Student's Name:**

**Class Teacher:**

**Class:**

**Parent's names:**

**About your child**

1. Does your child wear glasses to read? YES / NO

2. Does your child play a musical instrument? YES / NO  
If yes, which instrument? .....

3. What outside activities does your child participate in?

4. What are your child's special hobbies or interests?

5. What recent books has he/she read and enjoyed?

6. Please comment where appropriate, on any of the following:

- Unusual accomplishments, present or past
- Special talents
- Special opportunities he/she has had
- New interests or passions
- Relationships with others
- Preferred activities when alone
- Expression of boredom
- Special problems or needs

7. Have there been any changes in the family the school should be aware of and wellbeing concerns?

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**About you**

Do you have a skill set that you could share with the school?

YES / NO

Would you be willing to be a parent representative for your child's class? \* YES / NO

Would you be willing to participate in a working bee? YES / NO

Twilight / Weekend

If you have additional information/comments please add them below:



**SOMERVILLE RISE**  
Primary School