



Inspiring Independence, Transforming Lives



Principal's Message ...

Leadership Assembly: Today's end of term and Leadership Assembly provided an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of many of our students, particularly those in Years 11 and 12 who were awarded their Leadership badges and certificates. Creating a culture where effort, achievement and reaching personal goals is aspired to and celebrated is a key priority at St Edmund's. It is pleasing to see so many students being acknowledged in front of their peers. Congratulations to all those students who received their Leadership certificates and badges, as well as those who were acknowledged for 'Student of the Week' and 'Eddie's Best'.

Reports: Semester 1 Reports will be available online using Sentral via the Parent Portal. Those requiring a paper copy are asked to phone the College on 9487 1044. Reports will be accessible via the Parent Portal from 4.00 p.m. today. You should have received correspondence from the College about accessing Reports online. Should you require assistance to access Reports online please call the College for support.

Annual School Report: Each year schools are required to prepare an Annual Report on school performance for their parents and the community as a requirement of the Schools Assistance Act. I write to advise you that the Annual Report for St Edmund's is now available on the College website and can be accessed using the following link:

Annual Report 2019 <https://www.stedmunds.nsw.edu.au/assets/Uploads/St-Edmunds-College-Annual-Report-2019.pdf>

I would encourage all members of the College community to take the time to look through this important document. For those who do not have access to the internet, hard copies will be available from the Front Office upon request. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions in relation to the Annual Report.

Personalised Planning Meetings: Early next term you will be sent home information about Personalised Planning meetings which will be conducted over two afternoon/evenings during the term; similar to a parent teacher interview evening which you would have experienced in other contexts. It is hoped that this will improve the process for both staff and parents and ensure that these are conducted in a timely manner rather than being spread throughout the term.

COVID-19 Update: Next term we will continue with our cleaning routines and students frequently sanitizing their hands as they enter the College and throughout the day, particularly before and after meal breaks. We will also see restrictions loosened with local excursions, canteen and whole school College events such as the Athletics Carnival being scheduled for Term 3. Assemblies will continue online and overnight camps have been cancelled for this year. We will look at supplementing these camps with special local daily excursions being planned. I will continue to update families as information comes to hand and as we slowly adapt to a 'new normal'.

I wish all families all the best for the upcoming school holidays and safe travels to those heading away for a break. **A reminder that school commences on Monday, 20th July 2020.**

Jon Franzin
PRINCIPAL



Deputy Principal's Message ...

End of Semester: Our first Semester is quickly coming to an end. This has been a very disrupted time with COVID-19 causing great changes to our routines and structures. However our students have shown how resilient they can be and have risen to the challenge of online learning at home for a time and returned positively this term, back into our College culture and its routines. Whilst we do not know how long this will continue, we know that restrictions are changing constantly. This will also be reflected next Semester with some excursions, canteen, work experience and other activities returning. We will keep you updated regarding our Assemblies and sporting carnivals - we hope that they can go ahead and be open to parents being present. The first day of Term 3 is Monday, 20th July and we hope that this break will allow for some relaxation and family time together. With Semester 1 Reports available, it would be a great opportunity to explore some learning goals for next term.

Personalised Plan Meetings - Semester 2: The Personalised Plan meetings for Semester 2 will occur a little differently with appropriate social distancing organised. There will be two dates which have been set aside for these to occur: **Tuesday 18th August and Tuesday 25 August. (Please keep one of these dates free.)**

The meeting times will be the following on both dates:

1) 1.25 p.m. 2) 2.10 p.m. 3) 2.55 p.m. 4) 3.40 p.m. 5) 4.55 p.m. 6) 5.40 p.m. 7) 6.25 p.m.

Each meeting will be held with your child's Homeroom teacher and will be 45 minutes long. Bookings will be open to parents via EDVAL next term. Your login details will be posted home early Term 3.

As bookings are held consecutively during the evening, please be mindful that each meeting is scheduled for only 45 minutes and teachers need to be ready for their next meeting. You are also reminded that you are able to include your child and have them attend the meeting with you.

Our PP meetings are an important opportunity to connect with your child's Homeroom Teacher who will work with you to prepare a number of SMART goals based upon the Semester 1 goals. These goals will inform the teaching and learning and wellbeing approaches for your child throughout the Semester. Once finalized, the completed Personalised Plan will be provided to you for signing.

If you are having trouble with booking meetings through EDVAL, please contact me here at the College. There will be further information about the logistics of the evenings closer to the date.

Jason Scanlon
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Semester 1 Reports

Reports for each student will be published on the Sentral Parent Portal today, **Friday 26th June 2020 from 4.00 p.m.** These Reports give an overview of your child's learning and progress this semester as well as strengths and areas to focus on next semester. These Reports also give you a glimpse into some of the exciting learning experiences in lessons as well as your child's commitment to their own learning. I encourage you to read these Reports with your child and help them reflect on the progress and achievements they have made in Semester 1. If you would like to request a printed copy of your child's Report, please contact Cathy Laing on laing@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au

The Parent Portal user guide is attached to this Newsletter. New users can register at <https://sentral.erses.nsw.edu.au/portal/register> and current parent portal users can log in at <https://sentral.erses.nsw.edu.au/portal>. Many new parents have registered already at College events such as Eddie's Big Night In. If you have any questions about accessing the Parent Portal, please contact the College.

Vivienne Gilkes
Head of Teaching and Learning



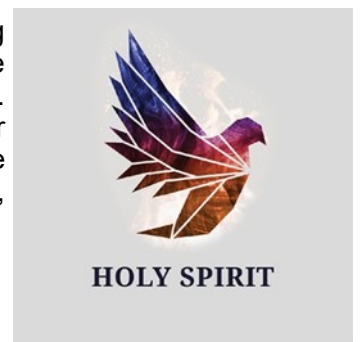
Mission and Identity

As Term 2 draws to a close, we often take time to reflect upon all that has happened during the year so far. This year has been so different and we have missed so many community celebrations and opportunities to share our special stories.

However, we have experienced many great moments in new and different ways. The joy and excitement on the faces of our students upon their return to the College half way through the term was inspiring to all of us. Talking with parents during the lockdown revealed many families discovering amazing things their children could do and great benefits that were surprising them as they spent more time together with all the family.

At school, the students have settled back into their studies so seamlessly and with such vigour. Our senior students have continued to develop their leadership skills ensuring that all students are being kept active and safe during these days, especially during the recess and lunch breaks. Many of our off campus activities have been reimagined by staff to keep our students moving forward in their endeavours to gain skills that will benefit them in all areas of their life.

Our junior students have handled all the changes so well and are supporting each other within our community in many beautiful ways. Through this time, we have been talking about the Holy Spirit and the effect it can have in our lives. The Holy Spirit gives us all we need to handle adversity and challenges. Our prayers this term have focussed on asking the Spirit to guide us through these troubled times and to inspire the whole world to be more gentle, kind, loving, patient, joyful, faithful and peaceful.



*Gracious God,
We give thanks anew for your providence and presence
We prayerfully seek your grace, amidst COVID-19 here and overseas
We pray for those in need of healing
We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving
We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain all those who are serving in response
We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical leaders
We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable
This prayer for our nation in the family of nations, with all that is on our hearts, we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

God Bless
Terry O'Keefe
Head of Mission & Identity





St Edmund's College

EXCELLENCE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Play Golf & Support Eddie's

2020 CHARITY CHALLENGE GOLF DAY

Wednesday
19th August, 2020

Avondale Golf Club
Avon Rd, Pymble
8am Shotgun Start

For Enquiries and Bookings:
Gary Dawson: smokey1@ozemail.com.au
0412 600 062 www.bullantsports.com

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Community News

From the Parent Group

Half way through the year already and you can certainly feel the change of temperature in the mornings. I'm sure our children will enjoy a few sleep ins in their warm beds in the coming weeks.

It's been a different and sometimes challenging Term 2. COVID-19 has certainly stretched our children and ourselves. However students seemed to have adjusted and coped with the [help and](#) support of our Eddie's staff. Thank you for adapting timetables, lessons and Assemblies so that our children have been able to attend, learn and enjoy school as always.

Hoping you all enjoy the school holidays. Perhaps some photos of how your holidays have been spent could be sent to newsletter@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au. Students could see these in the first Newsletter back in Term 3.

Stay safe and well.

Janine Eastham – Tom's mum
Parent Group Leader

Lost Property

Please contact the office if any of these items belongs to your child.



Around the College - Important Dates

Term 2

Fri 26th Jun Leadership Award Assembly (**streamed to Homerooms and to parents**)
Fri 26th Jun Last day of Term 2

Term 3

Mon 20th Jul Students & Staff return to Term 3
Wed 29th Jul Men's Group Meeting at St Edmund's (**confirmed new date**)
Fri 7th Aug Term 3 College Disco (**cancelled**)
Tue 11th Aug College photos (**confirmed**)
Thu 13th Aug 2019 Year 12 Reunion pizza night (**confirmed new date!**)
Tue 18th Aug 1st PP meeting date
Wed 19th Aug St Edmund's Golf Day
Tue 25th Aug 2nd PP Meeting date
Wed 26th Aug Term 3 Men's Group Meeting (St Edmund's)
Fri 4th Sep Father's Day Breakfast
Tue 8th Sep Term 3 Parent Group Meeting
Tue 1st Sep St Edmund's Athletics Carnival
Sun 13th Sep Family Fun Day (St Edmund's field)
Wed 23rd -
Fri 25th Sep Senior Retreat
Fri 25th Sep Last day of Term 3

Term 4

Mon 12th Oct Students return to Term 4
Tue 20th Oct St Edmund's Swimming Carnival
Fri 23rd Oct Term 4 College Disco
Wed 28th Oct - Fri 30th Nov Years 9 & 10 Camp (**to be amended**)
Tue 3rd Nov Term 4 Mufti Day
Tue 3rd Nov Term 4 Parent Group Meeting
Tue 10th Nov Orientation Day
Tue 17th Nov Term 4 Men's Group Meeting (St Lucy's)
Fri 20th Nov Abbotsleigh Concert
Fri 27th Nov Year 12 Graduation Formal
Tue 1st Dec Presentation Ceremony
Fri 4th Dec Year 7 Immunisation - (**new date**)
Wed 9th Dec Year 12 Farewell Mass & BBQ lunch and Last day of Term 4

Men's Group Meeting and Dinner - new date

The Men's Group is a quarterly 'get together' with other dads from St Gabriel's School, St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College.

We have lots of laughs, share stories and discuss relevant topics around the pressures that our families encounter from day to day including the very real pressures of recent times. Come along and bring another dad from your child's class!

The next Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 29th July at St Edmund's College**. A light meal will be served at 6.30 p.m. followed by the meeting from 7.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

Please RSVP to Cathy Laing on
laing@stedmunds.nsw.edu.au



Around the College

Awards

Students of the Week:

7S Lucy and Seul Yi
8C Annamieke and Kate
9F Mikayla and Mark
10J Ben M and Piper
11G Ciaran and Arabella
12M Archie and Emily

7T Antonio and Jameson
8L Elliot and Krish
9H Teena and Daena
10V Claire and Lorelle
11T Michaela and Grace
12O Jarvis and Kristian

Eddie's Best:

7S Adam
8C Chloe
9F Dominic
10J Bianca
11G Kiara
12M Sophia

7T James
8L Harry
9H Olivia
10V Sid
11T Tague
12O Matthew



Year 12 looking smart in their 2020 jerseys

Leadership Awards



BRONZE AWARDS

Corey, Ryan, Tague, Lachlan, Kori, Jayden and Anant



SILVER AWARDS

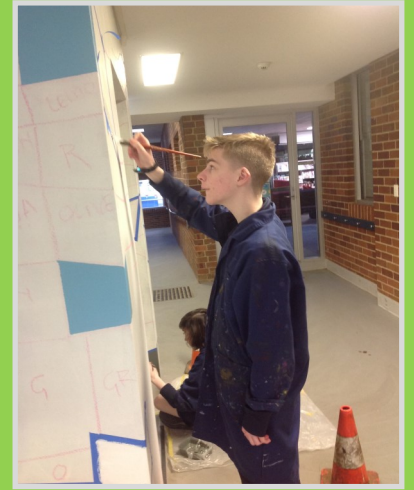
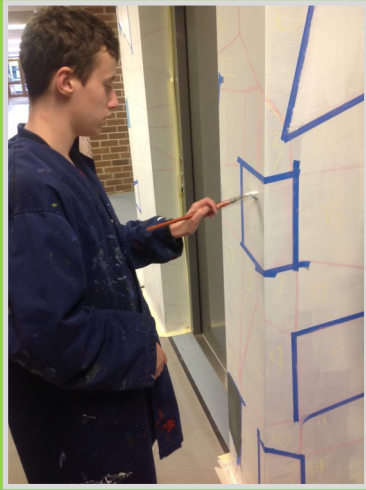
Samuel, Melanie, Ruby, Archie, Sophia, Kingsley, Chloe, Jarvis, Zack, Logan, Joshua, Daniel and Luca (absent)



GOLD AWARDS

Emily, Anthony, Lachlan, Lucy, Jack, Aaron, Gus, Matthew and Jack





The finished product!



Parent User Guide – Sentral Academic Reports

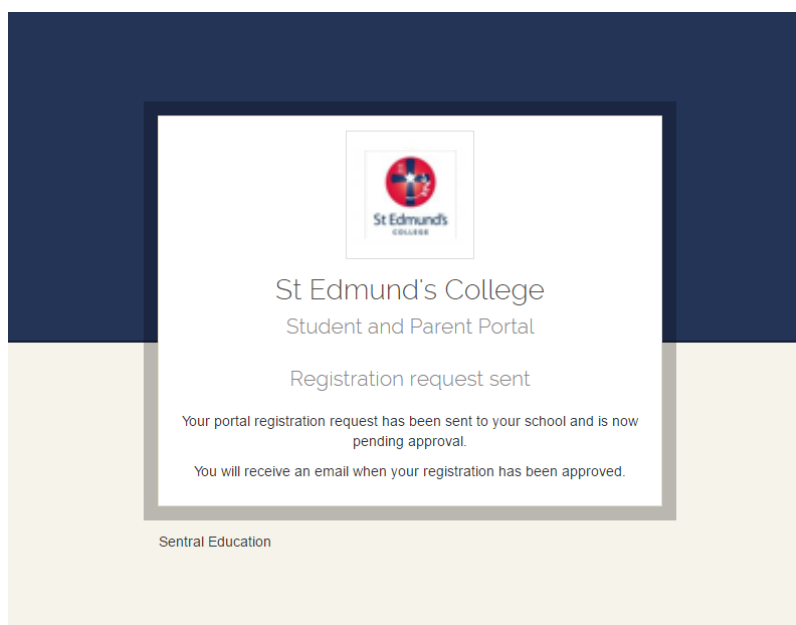
The Sentral Parent Portal provides online access for parents to a range of information specific to their child including their timetable, attendance records, the College calendar and reporting. This guide outlines the steps needed to access the student reports.

New Users

1. Open your browser (e.g. Chrome/ Firefox/Internet Explorer) and go to <https://sentral.erses.nsw.edu.au/portal/register>
2. Use your email address as a username and fill in the other required details to create your account.

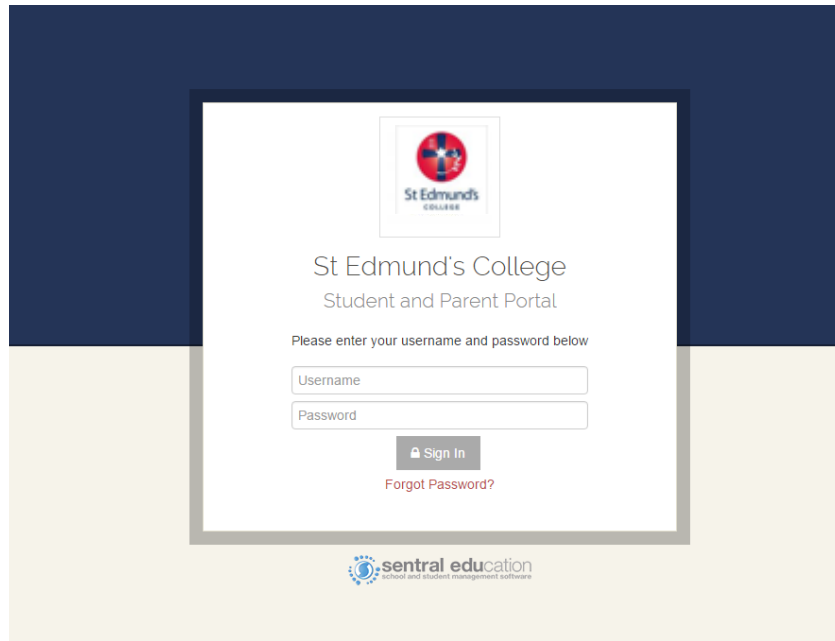
A screenshot of the registration form for the St Edmund's College Parent Portal. The form is titled "St Edmund's College Create a Portal User Account" and features the college's logo at the top. It includes several input fields: "Username" (with a note "MUST BE A VALID EMAIL ADDRESS"), "Title" (a dropdown menu), "Password" (with a note "MUST BE AT LEAST 8 CHARACTERS"), "Password (Confirm)" (with a note "PLEASE CONFIRM PASSWORD"), "First Name" (with a note "PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR FIRST NAME"), and "Surname" (with a note "PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR SURNAME"). A "Create your Account" button is located at the bottom of the form.

3. You will then see a screen which looks like the one below – wait for your approval email from the school. This may take 24-48 hours.

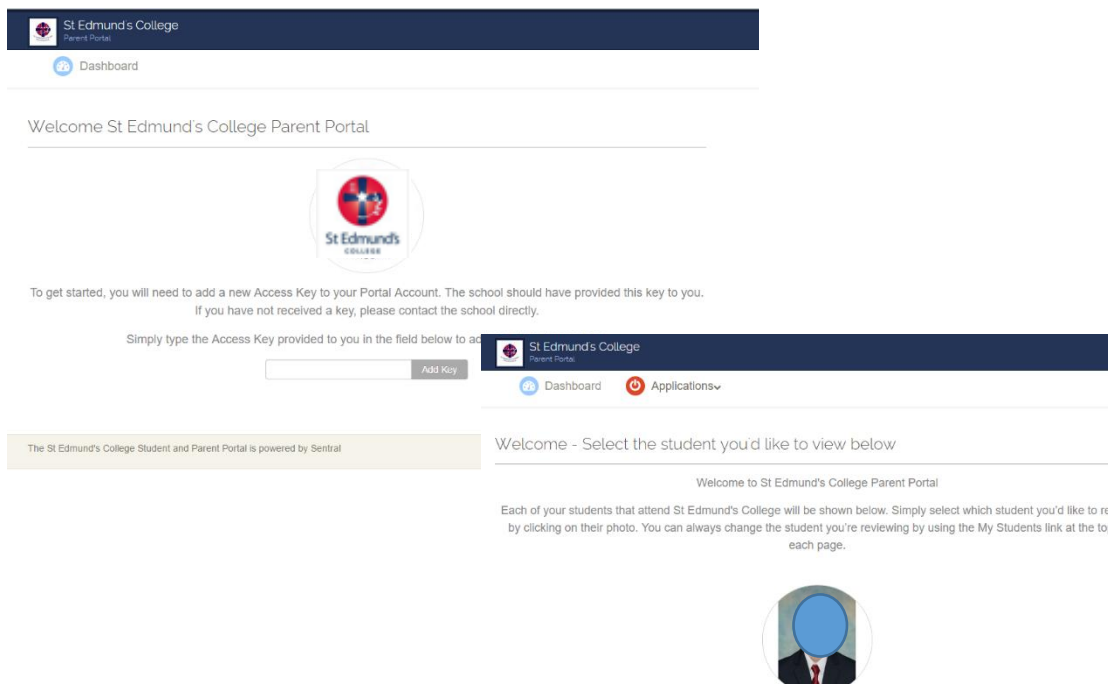




- Once you have received the email confirming your registration, use your web browser again and go to <https://sentral.erses.nsw.edu.au/portal> Log in using the username and password you created earlier.

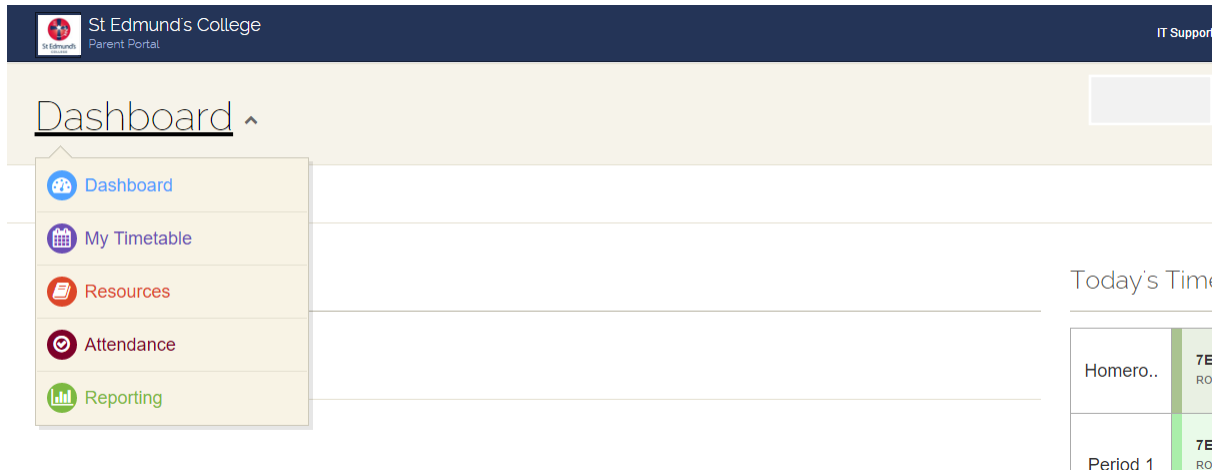


- You will then be prompted to add your child to your account by entering an Access Key. This Access Key was provided in both letters sent to you during this Semester and consists of letters and numbers e.g. **JZZ45m22jF**. Your child's photo will appear when you have successfully linked your account.





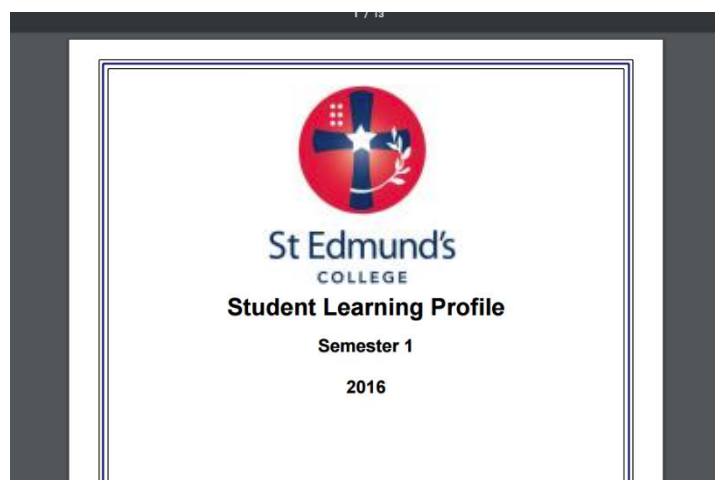
- Click on the photograph of your child and you will see the 'dashboard.' Click on the word 'Dashboard' and you will see the drop down menu below. Select 'Reporting.'



- The published report will appear once released and you will see as below:



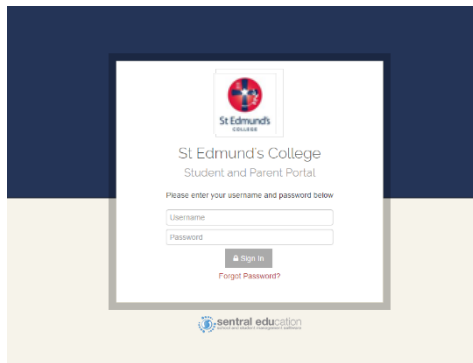
- Once you click on 'Semester 1, 2016', a PDF file will open and you will be able to view the report.



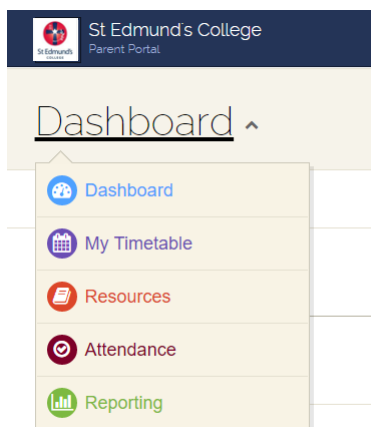


Registered Users

1. Open your browser (e.g. Chrome/ Firefox/Internet Explorer) and go to <https://sentral.erses.nsw.edu.au/portal/>



2. Click on the photograph of your child and you will see the 'dashboard.' Click on the word 'Dashboard' and you will see the drop down menu below. Select 'Reporting.'



3. The published report will appear once released and you will see as below:



4. Once you click on 'Semester 1, 2018', a PDF file will open and you will be able to view the report.

After-Hours School Program



After-Hours School Program Expanding in
Term 3, 2020

Monday – Thursdays inclusive: 3.00pm – 7.00pm

Contact Erin Bateman to express interest or for further information.

E: ebateman@warrahspecialistschool.nsw.edu.au

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