



# Kentlyn Public School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Using the Seesaw App at Kentlyn Public School to support communication about student learning

Our school is excited to be using the Seesaw App as a communication tool enabling parents and carers to share in their child's learning in the classroom. Our main purpose in using Seesaw is **to support enhanced communication and involvement of parents regarding student's learning at school** and as such are purchasing access for each child and their parent.

Seesaw is a student-driven digital portfolio that empowers students to independently document what they are learning at school. Additionally, this app supports our students in developing important 21<sup>st</sup> century skills in communication, collaboration, creative thinking, problem solving, digital literacy and citizenship. Seesaw is a highly regarded educational tool used extensively in schools in Australia and across the world. Both students and teachers will be using a school iPad to document learning when using this app.

### Who can access your child's portfolio?

Your child's information is stored on their individual digital portfolio that can only be accessed at the school level by teachers of each child and school administrators of Seesaw. When student work is approved by teachers; only parents of the child can view this work. **Note: No other parent/student can view another student's folder. All information remains private and is not published for public viewing.**

### Information about data storage and privacy.

Through the use of the Seesaw app, data is stored by Seesaw for our use and access. Data constitutes student name, class, work samples and/or photos with work samples. Seesaw has a comprehensive security and privacy system, settings and policy, and it's "mission is to provide a service that keeps students safe, and puts teachers and parents in control of how student information is shared." Information on Seesaw's privacy policy, storage of information and how Seesaw keeps information safe can be found on the Seesaw website <http://web.seesaw.me/privacy> Please also see the Frequently asked Questions, particularly the answer to "Where is my data stored?" <http://help.seesaw.me/hc/en-us/sections/200697039-Privacy-Security> Alternatively, please contact the office on 4628-2455 and staff will support you with any enquiries.

To support you and your child benefitting from this wonderful educational opportunity please complete the following consent form. Information regarding how parents can access student portfolios will be sent home, following the return of the consent form below. Please return the completed consent form to your child's teacher by **Friday 9 February 2018**.

Ms Kavallaris  
Principal

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### **Permission to use the Seesaw App to support communication about student learning**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I consent for my child's information (name and class) to be forwarded to Seesaw to allow their digital portfolio (folder) to be set up, and for child to use the Seesaw app. I also consent for my child's work or photograph to be published in their digital portfolio on the Seesaw App. I understand that my child's folder can only be viewed by my child's teacher/s, school administrators, my child and myself, being the parent/carer of the my child.

**OR**

I do not wish for my child to use the Seesaw App at Kentlyn Public School.

Parent /Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_