

# Mildura West Primary School

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***In 2015 Mildura West Primary School's Assessment and Reporting is going ONLINE. We will be using a new program called Compass, to communicate with Parents and Carers about each child's learning progress.***

## Why are we doing this?

'Assessment and Reporting' is more effective if it is ongoing throughout the year. We feel that education is best when you, your child and the school work together. Online reporting offers an opportunity for parents to become more involved in the learning process.

## What is Compass?

- ✓ A Student Online Assessment and Reporting system
- ✓ A Parent Portal that will allow you to view and comment on your child's assessment tasks
- ✓ A place for teachers to provide feedback
- ✓ Ongoing reporting on your child's learning

**You will have access to a number of assessment tasks that your child will complete throughout the year. Teachers will give each student feedback.**

**This ongoing reporting will mean that *the half year and end of year reports will be reduced.* However, you will receive more information about your child's learning throughout each term through Compass.**

## Assessment Tasks

- ✓ Students will complete regular assessment tasks across a range of subject areas that have been created by the teacher
- ✓ These tasks are designed to assess student abilities against the AUS VELS Curriculum at the expected grade level
- ✓ These tasks will provide valuable information about your child's progress
- ✓ The tasks are samples of your child's work and will give you an example of how your child has performed against criteria

## How will the Assessment Grading work?

- ✓ Students will be assessed on their **academic performance** as *Below Standard, At Standard and Above Standard*
- ✓ Students will be assessed on their **work habits** as *Excellent, Very Good, Acceptable and Needs Attention*
- ✓ These grades will not be visible to children with special educational needs  
**\* If you have any concerns about this process, please see your child's teacher.**

### Logging on to Compass

Your parent login is included with this notice. We will also be offering information sessions to help parents log on and view their child's work.

**Tuesday March 17th**

3:30pm till 4:00pm & 5:30pm till 6:00pm.

**Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup>**

3:30pm till 4:00pm & 5:30pm till 6:00pm.

### Reporting Timeline

**Term 1**

Two assessment tasks  
(English and Mathematics)

**Term 2, 3, 4**

Three assessment tasks each term.