SMS Absence System

If your child is marked absent, and the school has not been advised of a reason why they are absent, you will receive a SMS to the phone number provided below. You can reply to the message and give a reason.

An example of the message is:

“Mannum CC records show Frank Smart is absent Mon 23/03/2008. Please reply via SMS or phone 85691503, student name/reason/absence date.”

The message will arrive on your phone displaying the number “0427016123”. Parents should store this number on their phones under “Mannum Community College” for future use. Messages are sent from 10.15am onwards, depending on the year level. One message per student will be sent to your phone. If students arrive at school AFTER the roll has been marked, and do not SIGN IN, they will be marked unexplained and a SMS will be sent home. It is the responsibility of the students to sign in as soon as they arrive at school, if they miss the roll call. Students will be marked as unexplained unless there is verbal communication, SMS or a note is received.

We believe there are many advantages of this system for parents and the school, including:

- Improving duty of care and ability to contact parents
- Faster communication
- Personal, confidential and discrete communication method

(please tick one)

☐ Option A
SMS One Parent/Caregiver
Parent Name:______________________________________
(must match enrolment form Parent/Guardian information)

OR

☐ Option B
SMS Both Parents/Caregivers
(must match enrolment form Parent/Guardian information)

OR

☐ Option C - SMS Landline Only
(must match number listed under “Family Details”)

THE SCHOOL MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A REASON FOR ALL ABSENCES