

# **parentsportal.scot – Parental Rights**

## **What is the parentsportal?**

Parents across the country are well used to the school bag run of information between the school and themselves, regarding their child's education. This can include forms for trips, annual data check forms, consent forms, appointments for parents' evenings, and notifications about school events.

parentsportal.scot has been developed to create a digital relationship between parents, pupils, and schools, replacing the traditional school bag run. This digital approach has been developed to improve the way in which schools engage with parents

**In order for Parents / carers to sign up to the parentsportal.scot the ‘Parental Rights’ box on SEEMiS requires to be ticked for anyone who has Parental rights for the child. Without this they cannot sign up to the parentsportal.scot**

## **Who has parental rights and responsibilities?**

### **Mothers**

All mothers have parental rights and responsibilities as soon as they give birth to the child.

Mothers can have their parental rights and responsibilities removed by a court. Parental rights cannot be removed by a children's hearing.

When a child is adopted the birth mother has her parental rights removed and they are transferred to the adoptive parent.

### **Fathers**

If the child's birth was registered on or after 4 May 2006 and if the father is named on the child's birth certificate he automatically has parental rights and responsibilities regardless of the marital status of the parents.

If the child's birth was registered before 4 May 2006, a father will automatically have parental rights and responsibilities if he was married to the mother during pregnancy, on birth of the child, or after the birth.

A child's birth father can also obtain parental rights by entering into a formal agreement with the child's mother known as a 'Parental Responsibilities and Parental Rights Agreement' or by court order.

## **Step-parents**

Step-parents only have parental rights if:

- the child's birth mother signs and registers an agreement to share these, unless a court has taken away her parental responsibilities and rights; or
- are given them by a court.

## **Same sex couples**

Same sex couples only have parental responsibilities and rights as follows:

- the birth mother of a child;
- in a civil partnership or in a same-sex marriage with a woman at the time they have the egg donation, embryo transfer or donor insemination treatment which produces a child;
- the partner of a woman undergoing egg donation, embryo transfer or donor insemination treatment, and have completed the forms needed to get parental responsibilities and rights;
- named on a child's adoption order;
- named on a child's parental order after surrogacy; and
- the appointed guardian of a child whose parent has died and consented the other partner to act as such.

## **Grandparents**

Grandparents only have parental rights and responsibilities for their grandchildren if:

- they are awarded them by a court; or
- the child's birth mother has agreed and registers an agreement to share them.

## **Foster carers**

Foster carers only have parental rights and responsibilities for their grandchildren if:

- they are awarded them by a court.

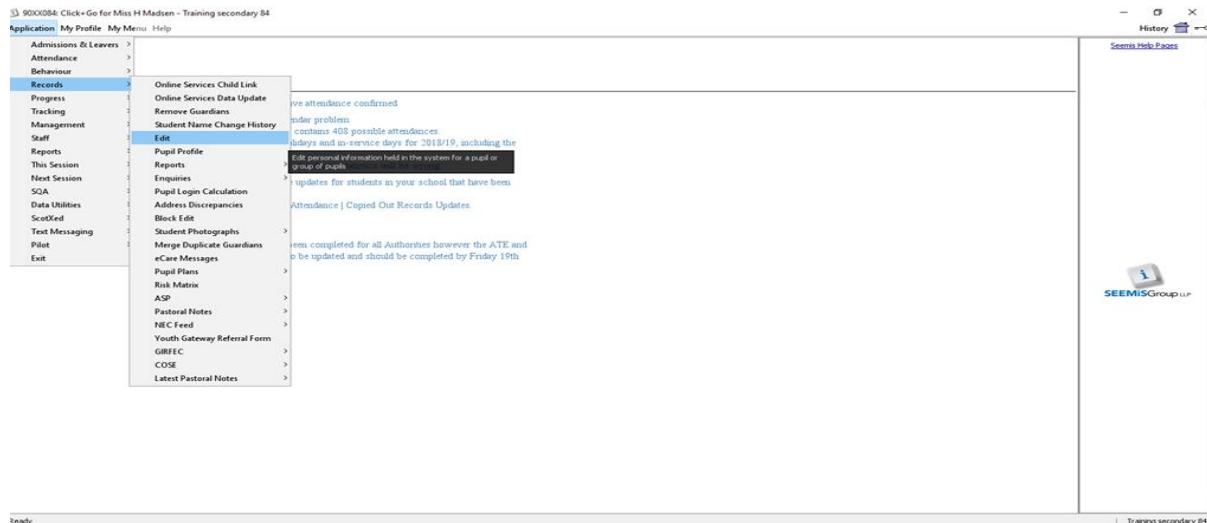
## **Kinship carers**

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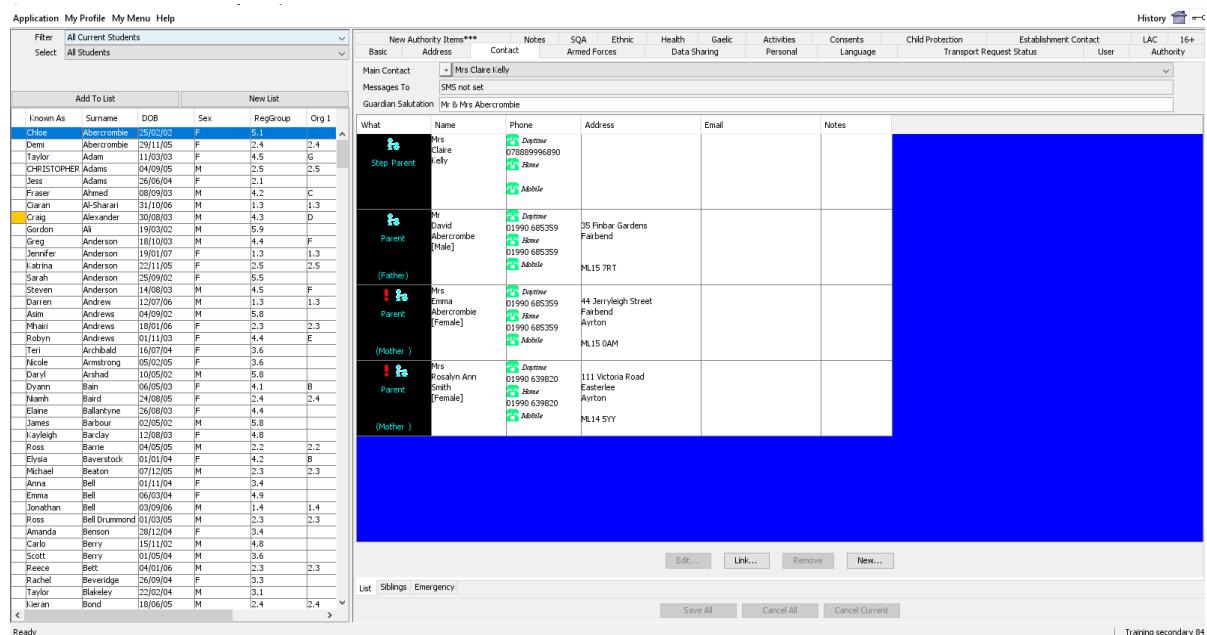
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## How do I update SEEMiS records for those parents/ carers with parental rights?

### 1. Access Pupils' Records and then choose 'Edit'



### 2. Choose the 'Contact' tab



### 3. Click on the appropriate contact to update

Application My Profile My Menu Help

Filter: All Current Students Select: All Students

Add To List		New List			
Known As	Surname	DOB	Sex	RegGroup	Org 1
Chloe	Abercrombie	25/02/02	F	5.1	D
Demi	Abercrombie	29/11/05	F	2.4	2.4
Taylor	Adam	11/03/03	F	4.5	G
CHRISTOPHER	Adams	04/09/05	M	2.5	2.5
Jess	Adams	26/06/04	F	2.1	2.1
Fraser	Ahmed	08/09/03	M	4.2	C
Caran	Al-Sharai	31/10/06	M	1.3	1.3
Craig	Alexander	30/08/03	M	4.3	D
Gordon	All	19/03/02	M	5.9	
Greg	Anderson	18/10/03	M	4.4	F
Jennifer	Anderson	19/01/07	F	1.3	1.3
Katrina	Anderson	22/11/05	F	2.5	2.5
Sarah	Anderson	12/02/02	F	5.5	
Steven	Anderson	14/08/03	M	4.5	F
Darren	Andrew	12/07/05	M	1.3	1.3
Asim	Andrews	04/09/02	M	5.8	
Mhairi	Andrews	18/01/06	F	2.3	2.3
Robyn	Andrews	01/11/03	F	4.4	E
Teri	Archibald	16/07/04	M	4.6	
Michelle	Armstrong	05/02/05	F	3.6	
Daryl	Arshad	10/05/02	M	5.8	
Dyann	Bain	06/05/03	F	4.1	B
Niamh	Baird	24/08/05	F	2.4	
Elaine	Ballantyne	26/08/03	F	4.4	
James	Barclay	02/05/02	M	5.8	
Kayleigh	Barclay	12/08/03	F	4.8	
Ross	Baris	04/05/05	M	2.2	2.2
Elyria	Baverstock	01/01/04	F	4.2	B
Michael	Beaton	07/11/05	F	2.3	2.3
Anna	Bell	01/11/04	F	3.4	
Emma	Bell	06/03/04	F	4.9	
Jonathan	Bell	03/09/06	M	1.4	1.4
Ross	Bell Drummond	01/11/03	M	3.5	2.3
Amanda	Benson	28/12/04	F	3.4	
Carlo	Berry	15/11/02	M	4.8	
Scott	Berry	01/05/04	M	3.6	
Reece	Bett	04/01/06	M	2.3	2.3
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Taylor	Blakely	22/02/04	M	3.1	
Verian	Bond	18/06/05	M	2.4	2.4

Man Contact: Mrs Claire Kelly  
Messages To: SMS not set  
Guardian Salutation: Mr & Mrs Abercrombie

New Authority Items\*\*\* Notes SQA Ethnic Health Gaelic Activities Consents Child Protection Establishment Contact User LAC 16+ Authority

What: Name: Phone: Address: Email: Notes:

Step Parent: Mrs Claire Kelly [Dame] 078889996890 [Home] [Mobile] [Work]

Parent: Mr David Abercrombie [Male] 01990 685359 [Dame] 35 Firbar Gardens Fairbend [Home] [Mobile] [Work] ML15 7RT

(Father): Mrs Emma Abercrombie [Female] 01990 685359 [Dame] 44 Jerryleigh Street Fairbend [Home] [Mobile] [Work] Avton [Mobile] [Work] ML15 0AM

(Mother): Mrs Rosalyn Ann Smith [Female] 01990 639820 [Dame] 111 Victoria Road Eastlees [Home] [Mobile] [Work] Avton [Mobile] [Work] ML14 5YY

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### 4. Click on the Edit button

### 5. Click on the 'Parental Rights?' box and then click 'OK'

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Edit contact details

Personal: Title: Mrs Forename: Claire Surname: Kelly Sex: F Preferred language: Full Special arrangements: Additional support: SMS: Day Telephone: 078889996890 Home Telephone: Mobile Telephone: Email: Other: Notes: Day Telephone: 078889996890 Home Telephone: Mobile Telephone: Email: Other: Involvement: Relationship: Step Parent Relationship Desc: High Priority: Medium Priority: Low Priority: Eve. Only: Ranking: Contact? Gets Report? Parental Rights? Storm Accommodation Online Payments? OK Cancel

Protection Establishment Contact User LAC 16+ Authority

Address: Use Pupil Address: House Name: No./Street: Local: Town: Postcode: Verify Address:

Save All Cancel All Cancel Current

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