



OAKBANK  
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NEWSLETTER



Inside:

*News  
& community  
engagement*

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& sports  
updates*

*Exciting  
investment in  
our school*

**\$15.9**  
million

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TERM

2

WEEK

10

JULY 2024



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*Primary & secondary school semester reports*

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**05 JUL**

**Last day of Term 1**  
2.15 Early Dismissal

**Semester Reports released**

Primary, Middle & Senior School semester reports to be published on Daymap.

Primary families: first time using Daymap connect? See below:

**Are you connected to Daymap Connect?**  
[oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect](http://oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect)

Check our Quick Connect Guide under "Documents > Guides" on [oakbank.sa.edu.au](http://oakbank.sa.edu.au) or contact our IT staff who will be happy to help you!

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

## Upcoming Events

W10

FRI  
05

Last Day of Term 3  
Reports Release  
2.15 Dismissal

W1

MON  
22

First Day of Term 4

### Oakbank School

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Having problems with Daymap? Call us or try our guides on [oakbank.sa.edu.au/guides](http://oakbank.sa.edu.au/guides)

# From the Principal

Well, what an amazing term we have had!

**The biggest news of course being the incredible, future defining, announcement of the \$15.9 million in infrastructure funding for our school.**

The call I received from Minister Blair Boyer was the most magnificent news one could get for our community. Some very strategic work over the last 18 months has ensured that Oakbank School is back “on the map”, so to speak. We are a big part of the solution to the growth in housing and population all around the Adelaide Hills. The funding will allow us to upgrade some of the aging buildings, whilst also creating new facilities to meet the future needs of our site. We are of course in the very initial planning stages and more will be revealed over time. The increased publicity we have received from this announcement is already bearing fruit.

**\$15.9  
million**

**State Government  
announces  
\$15 Million  
infrastructure  
funding for  
Oakbank School**



## Deputy Principal

**It is my pleasure to also announce that Heath Perrott, Deputy Principal, has just won his position in an ongoing tenure until 2030.**



**Heath Perrott**  
Deputy Principal

We are very pleased that Heath will be with us on our journey going forward. Heath brings to our school extensive experience, particular in the primary sector, along with significant values of care, respect and high expectations. With a stable senior leadership team now in place for the coming years we are able to continue to ensure Oakbank School is a thriving community that brings your children opportunities for success and a love of learning.



## Agriculture Program Benefactors & Fundraising

**Further positive news comes with the generous donation of \$1000 to our Agriculture program from two lovely ladies, Elaine and Briony, who live on our boundary.**

They love our farm and support us to ensure it can keep going well. We wish to buy a silo to allow us to purchase our chicken feed in bulk. This industry compliant silo was quoted at \$9000. Mel Welsh has diligently sold off some no longer used farm equipment for approx. \$4500. We are still looking for about another \$3500 to cover the cost. The firewood sales will hopefully cover most of this. Please encourage any family or friends to come and purchase wood from us.



## Building Powerful Learners

**A focus on building powerful learners and powerful learning starts with quality curriculum.**

To this end, our staff all participated in an action-packed professional development day. They have all been introduced to the New SA Curriculum, with our Maths staff having a day with Dr Julia Atkin to unpack this even further. Staff learnt about the increased focus on student dispositions and capabilities – not just on knowledge. This new curriculum will be fully implemented by 2027. The SACE is also undergoing a complete renewal over the same time. Watch the short explainer video linked below learn more.



[vimeo.com/942158301](https://vimeo.com/942158301)



## Reports & Semester 2

**Term 2 brings us to the end of the semester. Students who have been “Ready to Learn” have worked hard to participate in their subjects and complete a range of courses.**

Our Year 12 students are well over half-way though their final year of studies now however, they do have a hard term ahead. Our other secondary students may have new teachers and new subject to look forward to starting term 3. Daymap will be able to show students their timetables for the following term shortly. All students will receive an end of term report. These will be electronic for all of our students - the first time for our primary years families. Please see the information in this newsletter about how to get connected to Daymap if you are having any problems.

**Lee Knight | Principal**



*Term 3*  
**Key dates**

**22**  
**JUL**

**Term 3 Begins**  
Monday 22 July  
Welcome to our new reception students & families!

**NAIDOC Week (observed)**  
Monday 22 July - 26 July

**19**  
**MAY**

**Book Week “Reading is Magic”**  
19 - 23 August

**05**  
**SEP**

**Student Free Day**  
Thursday 05 September  
Staff training

**06**  
**SEP**

**School Closure “Show Day”**  
Friday 06 September



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# Daymap Connect Parent Quick Guide

[oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect](http://oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect)

Daymap Connect is our Parent Portal and provides parents with secure messaging, the ability to see student assignments and attendance and school newsletters and information. Please note that the student Daymap address is different - if you see an EdPass logon page, you are on the student Daymap page.

## Accessing Daymap Connect via a Website



**Visit** [oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect](http://oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect)

or [oakbank.sa.edu.au](http://oakbank.sa.edu.au)

and click on the **Daymap Parents** link at the top right.

This and other **Guides** are available under the **Documents** menu.

### Daymap Connect Parent logon

Parent ID (username):



### Signing In

Each parent has their own Daymap Connect **username** (or **Parent ID**). This is usually the first four letters of your surname and two numbers. This ID is your username to access DaymapConnect. These details, or a link with them will be sent through to you via either of the processes below:



### Receiving an email invitation

New parents should receive an **email** which has your **Username (Parent ID)** and a link to set a password. This, however, is only valid for 24 hours. The school can resend this link if you contact us either by phone or email.

Forgot Password? details required

Parent registered email:

Linked Student Code



### Setting or Resetting a Daymap Connect Password

Alternatively, we visit the **DaymapConnect** website above and select **Forgot your password?** Enter the **email address registered with the school** and the **Student ID** of any one of your children attending the school (your child should know this – if not, contact the school). Select **Reset password** and an email invitation with your **Username (Parent ID)** and a link to set a password will be sent to your email.




## Daymap Mobile App

Whilst the website version for Daymap works on mobile devices, the app enables easier access to messaging and student information. The web version continues to give greater functionality.



### Install

To set up the **Daymap Mobile App**, visit the **web version** (see above) and click on the  icon at the bottom of the screen, select **Download App** and you will be taken to your device's store.



### Sign in

If you are prompted to sign in when opening the app, select **Parent**, search for **Oakbank School** and **Sign in** to enter your details as above.



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# Daymap Connect Accessing Student Reports



[oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect](http://oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect)

Daymap Connect is our Parent Portal. Student Reports (Rec-12) are accessible on this platform for viewing and printing.

## Accessing Daymap Connect

 Follow our Quick Connect Guide to access Daymap Connect

Access either by:



Webpage (browser) or



Daymap app



## Viewing Reports



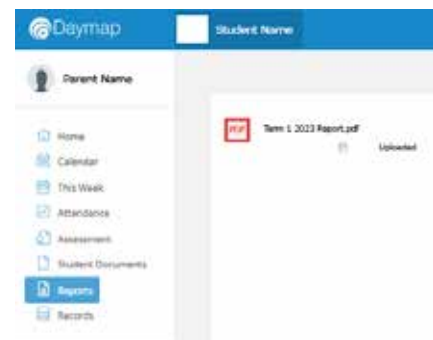
### Webpage

Once you are signed in to Daymap Connect ([oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect](http://oakbank.daymap.net/daymapconnect)) with your **parent ID** and password you will see all your enrolled children under “**My Students**”.

Select a child, then click “**Reports**” on the left-hand menu.

All reports available for the student will be shown.

**Click on a report** to download to view or print.



### Daymap App

Once you've selected **Oakbank School** and signed in with your **parent ID** and password, you will see a list of your children at the top of the screen.

Click your child's name, then click “**Reports**” on the tab mid-way down the page

All reports available for the student will be shown.

**Click on a report** to view, save or print.



## Problems?

Check out our Daymap guides on our website or email us and we'll be more than happy to help. If you have queries relating to report content, please contact your child's teacher or leadership directly on Daymap or on [dl.0762.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0762.info@schools.sa.edu.au).



# adelaide hills careers EXPO



**Tuesday, 6 August 2024 6.00pm-8.30pm**

The Adelaide Hills Careers Expo will host 80 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages.

Speak with the experts in their field and learn more about future careers and career pathways in a casual setting.

If you are looking for career advice, course information or you are a school student looking for a career path, the Adelaide Hills Careers Expo is not to be missed!

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**Cornerstone College**  
***inbarendi* (gymnasium)**  
**68 Adelaide Road**  
**Mount Barker**  
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All members of the Adelaide Hills community are welcome.

## FEATURING:

- Defence Force Recruiting
- SA Ambulance Service
- SA Metropolitan Fire Service
- SA Police (SAPOL)
- Flinders University
- University of Adelaide
- University of South Australia
- TAFE SA

## Employers, Universities, Training Organisations and many more in these industry areas:

- Accommodation, Hospitality, Retail and Tourism
- Administration, Business, Finance and Management
- Animal Care, Agriculture and Horticulture
- Apprenticeships/Traineeships and Recruitment
- Building and Construction
- Community Services
- Creative Industries, Arts and Design
- Defence/Defence Industries
- Disability Support and Work
- Education and Training
- Emergency Services
- Engineering, Mining and Automotive
- Gap Year Options
- Health Care, Personal Health and Social Assistance
- Science and Technology
- University/Higher Education

## Session Times

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**Session 1: 6.00pm – 7.00pm**

**Session 2: 7.00pm – 8.30pm**  
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## Book here:

[forms.office.com/r/16DnZTZFSK](https://forms.office.com/r/16DnZTZFSK)



Scan code for a detailed exhibitor list and Event Guide.

Or visit [cornerstone.sa.edu.au/students/career-pathways/adelaide-hills-careers-expo](https://cornerstone.sa.edu.au/students/career-pathways/adelaide-hills-careers-expo)



EVENT PARTNERS:



# Team Sports





# 🌀 Open Boys Basketball

On Tuesday, 11 June, a group of talented Oakbank students took to the courts at the Murray Bridge Association to participate in the Open Boys Basketball tournament.

Competing against teams from River Mallee and Murray Bridge, the Oakbank team demonstrated skill, determination, and a strong sense of camaraderie.

The team comprised Micah Mrazek, Seth Chandler, Brock Davies, Taylan Greig, Bailey Potezny, Harry Schulz, and Kieran Welsh. Throughout the matches, the students played with enthusiasm and a positive spirit, making the most of the opportunity to showcase their basketball abilities and enjoy the game.

The tournament was not only a competitive event but also a fun and engaging experience for the students. They bonded over their shared love of basketball and relished the chance to compete in a supportive and energetic environment.

Overall, the Oakbank students represented their school admirably and their participation in the tournament was a testament to their hard work and passion for the sport. We look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in future basketball events.

**Kat Thompson** | Coach, Teacher



# 7/8 Boys Basketball

The Oakbank 7/8 Boys Basketball team recently demonstrated their potential and resilience in a series of exciting matches.

The team achieved a notable victory against the Waldorf School, showcasing their skills and teamwork. However, they faced a narrow defeat, losing by just six points to Mount Barker High School.

The team, consisting of Alex Jamieson, Bodhi Potezny, Harley Pokorra, John Umali, Josh Walters, Jem Warnest, Henry Thomas, Charlie Askew, Eddison Ewing, and Brodie Sleep, played with determination and spirit in both games. Their performance indicates that this group will become a formidable team as they continue to grow and develop.

Special thanks are due to Micah Mrazek and Leroy Ashby for their excellent refereeing during the matches. Additionally, we extend our gratitude to Harry Schulz, Bailey Potezny, and Isaiah Pridham for their invaluable assistance to Coach Thompson on the day.

With such a dedicated and talented group of players and supporters, the future looks bright for the Oakbank 7/8 Boys Basketball team.

**Kat Thompson** | Coach, Teacher





## 5/6 Girls Knockout Netball

On Wednesday of Week 6, 11 girls in years 5 and 6 participated in a Knockout Netball competition. They had an 8-10 loss to Woodside Primary, a 9-13 win against Lobethal Lutheran, and a 25-7 loss against Aldgate Primary.

We were supported by Amber Stevens and Hannah Jolly who umpired and scored all of our games. The girls all played really well and improved in each game. They were excellent representatives of the school, demonstrating the school values of respect and connection in how they worked as a team and how they interacted with the other schools. A great day overall!

**Nikki Kearton**  
4/5 Teacher | Team Coach.





**Food &  
Hospitality**



## Farmer's Market Stall

This term, Stage 1 Food & Hospitality held a farmers market stall for one of their summative assignments. All products on sale were healthy, fresh, local, delicious and bursting with an abundance of seasonal delights!



Students prepared and served a selection of foods including mini pizzas, carrot cake, apple pie, cheese and spinach triangles and nachos. They successfully sold most of their products. This has been a fantastic opportunity for students to learn about sustainability and to support our community growers.

**Feifei Ghandar**

Food & Hospitality and Child Studies teacher





## Fondant Cupcakes

Year 9 Food & Design students have been designing and making fondant cupcakes as one of their major assignments. The students had to complete four different designs in their design brief and select two to make. This event showcased not only their baking skills but also their ingenuity and artistic flair.



The Cupcake Design Challenge encouraged students to demonstrate their innovation and creativity. They mastered different techniques to create intricate designs and explored the art of fondant modelling. Each cupcake was a testament to their dedication to both the art and science of baking.

**Feifei Ghandar**

Food & Hospitality and Child Studies teacher



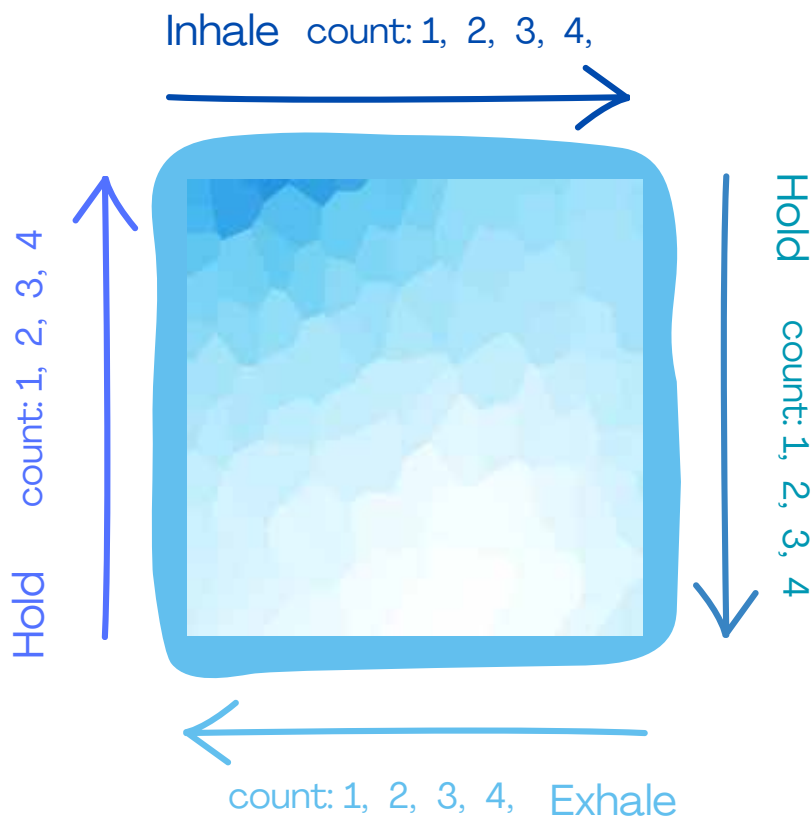


# Grounding

Grounding exercises are spoken about often, but what are they?

A grounding exercise is something that we can do to bring ourselves back into the present moment. For example, if we begin to notice that we are feeling overwhelmed or panic is creeping in, a grounding exercise can help us to pause and bring our focus to the here and now. There are short exercises that we can do by ourselves, or with the help of someone else.

**Give this box breathing exercise to try:**



## Oakbank School Wellbeing Team



**Jasmin Ferraro**  
Wellbeing Leader  
Aboriginal Education Teacher



**Liz May**  
Counsellor



**Ryan Matulick**  
Pastoral Care Worker



Community  
Engagement





## National Packing Day

On Wednesday 5 June, select Year 9 students had the wonderful opportunity to assist the Balhannah Uniting Church with their National Packing Day. This annual event involves packing donated goods that are then delivered to various Aboriginal communities, including Ernabella, Oodnadatta, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Elcho Island, and many more.

This year's event was coordinated by Graham Pearson and his wife, who shared their positive feedback about our students' participation. As first-time coordinators, they found the experience rewarding and highlighted the beneficial relationship between Oakbank School and the community event.

Graham Pearson expressed his gratitude, stating:

“The young people of Year 9 that came were wonderful—everything you would hope young people to strive to be and do—they were.”

He emphasized the importance of the students' appreciation for the outreach efforts, the impact on the communities receiving the goods, and the overall significance of the packing day.

Thank you to our Year 9 students for their dedication and hard work, and to Graham Pearson for his kind words and coordination of this meaningful event. We look forward to continuing our involvement in such impactful community activities.

**Kat Thompson** | Middle School Teacher





An Australian Government Initiative

Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy Policy (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school directly.

Kind regards,

**Oakbank School**

**More information: <https://www.nccd.edu.au>**



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# Bonfire Night



## Organising Committee *Expressions of interest*

The Oakbank School Bonfire Night held in 2022 was a huge success and we are aiming to hold the event again. The planning and coordination of such a significant event is no mean feat, therefore, the Oakbank School Governing Council invite parents/caregivers who would like to be involved to express interest in becoming an Organising Committee member.

As a committee member, you would support the School and event team with sponsorship seeking, entertainment planning, catering preparation, general event planning and on-the-day attendance. It is anticipated that meetings will take place monthly until closer to the event when meetings will be more frequent. By commencing planning with considerable lead time, we hope that we can stage an even bigger and more successful event for the community.

As a member of the Organising Committee, you will not only help with the event you'll get to know other parents and foster new friendships.

If you would like to be involved, please register your expression of interest by either:

- Online Form: filling out the easy online form <https://forms.office.com/r/2YZZd72zjp>
- Email: [dl.0762.events@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0762.events@schools.sa.edu.au)
- Calling: **Front Office** on **8398 7200**.

We look forward to creating another wonderful event for our community!

Register your interest here:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/2YZZd72zjp>





# Community Events & Opportunities



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Get a regular income (you or your partner)



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# Presentation Night

2024

21 NOV

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UKARIA CULTURAL CENTRE  
Mt Barker Summit



MONDAY 15 JULY | 10AM - 2PM

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**GIRLS & BOYS AGES 2-12**

**Term 3 Kick-off  
July 27-28**



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**SUNDAY 7 JULY**

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Woodville SA



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# IT'S PLAY TIME!

THERE IS A SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM NEAR YOU!



4-8 year olds



7-13 year olds

All  
Girls



- **When:**
  - July 17th + 18th
  - 9am - 12pm
- **Where:** Summit Sport & Recreation Park (304 Springs Road, Mt Barker)
- **Cost:** \$50, single registration covers both days.

For more information & to register, scan the QR link below or email [game.development@sanfl.com.au](mailto:game.development@sanfl.com.au)

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Whether you source your own or purchase a recommended laptop through LWT, check out our **BYOD Handbook** at [oakbank.sa.edu.au/byod](http://oakbank.sa.edu.au/byod)

# Purchase a Recommended Laptop

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Oakbank School has selected Learning with Technology (LWT) to offer selected laptops to our students which meet our minimum specifications.



Visit the LWT Oakbank School Online Ordering Portal for full specifications, comparisons, pricing and availability.

Multiple payment options are including up to 12 months interest free, subject to the finance provider's approval.



Lenovo laptops with 3 years warranty + accidental damage available now!



**Touch Model**  
AMD Ryzen 5 13.3" with pen



**Non-Touch Model**  
Intel Core i5 14"

## Why purchase a laptop from LWT Portal?



### Easy Graphical Comparison

To help parents choose the right device LWT uses easy to understand graphic icons to help parents compare units using a side by side comparison of key specifications to help their choice.



### Commercial Grade Devices

The devices LWT offer via their portals are commercial grade that you won't find in a retail store. Built to a higher quality and with a **3 year warranty** they are designed to last longer than their retail counterparts.



### Delivered directly to you

Orders are processed straight away and usually arrive in 1-2 weeks via Australia Post eParcel. The Portal gives a general idea of availability and wait times for orders.



### Hassle Free Quick Onsite Servicing

The student environment often leads to a higher number of repairs. Onsite support at the school greatly reduces frustrations for parents. Getting a retail device repaired usually takes weeks and quite often re-quires the parent to take time out of their day.



### Accidental Damage Protection

We offer well priced insurance for your device. **Accidental Damage Protection** covers your device up to 3 times. We use Maxima Insurance to guaran-tee parts and labour.

**New Lenovo school warranty terms include accidental damage - see LWT portal for more info!**