

Parent Portal for Online Reporting



UK's First Parent Portal, Launched in 2000

"The new system is brilliant! It is wonderful to be able to see the patterns of attendance and behaviour and means that I can have an informed conversation with my daughter about her school day. I can see on the system when she's done well and can praise her.." Maureen Doyle, Parent

What is MyChildAtSchool?

MyChildAtSchool is an online portal that enables parents to view their child's performance at school in real time via any modern web browser (e.g. Internet Explorer, Firefox, Google Chrome etc.)

The facility allows the child's attendance, grades and behaviour to be accessed whenever the parent/carer wishes. As well as pupil performance data the portal also provides general information about the school, such as the school calendar and any important announcements.

Parents no longer need to wait for the termly report to find out how their child is performing, they can check whenever they wish for up to date information.

Is it secure?

Security of information is of paramount importance to us. MyChildAtSchool.com uses individual password protected accounts and 128-bit Secure Socket Layer* financial transaction-grade technology to ensure the privacy of attendance, grades and class results that are transmitted online.

* The school is responsible for the purchase of a Secure Socket Layer certificate for the school server

The screenshot shows the MyChildAtSchool.com interface for a parent logged in as 'Mr Smith'. The page is titled 'Your child' and features a navigation menu with tabs for Home page, Attendance, Assessment, Behaviour, Homework, Timetable, and Announcements. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Attendance:** Shows 'Today's attendance 3/8' with a table listing subjects like Maths, French, Biology, and English, along with registration times (AM and PM).
- Assessment:** Displays 'Average grades' for 'Autumn Term 2011 Grade Collection', 'Spring Term 2011 Grade Collection', and 'Summer Term 2011 Grade Collection', plus an 'End of Keystage Full Report'.
- Behaviour:** Lists 'Matthew's recent behaviour' with entries like 'Running in corridor', 'Good Homework', and 'Incorrect school uniform'.
- Homework:** Shows 'Does Matthew have homework?' with a list of assignments for English, Technology, and Science.
- Announcements:** Features a message: 'School orchestra rehearsal this week has been cancelled.'
- Timetable:** Displays 'Matthew Smith's timetable' with links for 'Teacher timetable' and 'Academic calendar'.
- Dinner Money:** A section at the bottom for managing school dinners.

Callouts from the surrounding text point to specific features on the interface:

- 'Ability to alter the design style of the site' points to the top navigation area.
- 'Easy switching between pages' points to the navigation tabs.
- 'Has your child attended every lesson today?' points to the Attendance section.
- 'Your child's grades (published report or real time)' points to the Assessment section.
- 'How is your child behaving? Positive and negative behaviour is displayed' points to the Behaviour section.
- 'View your child's timetable. Which lessons do they have today?' points to the Timetable section.
- 'See your child's attendance this year' points to the Attendance 'more...' link.
- 'See homework that has been set by each subject' points to the Homework section.
- 'School can post useful messages such as reminders of events and include file attachments' points to the Announcements section.

How does it work?

The school provides the parents with their own unique user names and passwords. Parents are then able to access the portal from any PC through an internet connection using the web address www. MyChildAtSchool.com. Once the parent has logged into the site, their individual homepage will appear. The homepage will display a snapshot of their child's progress at school as well as real time information about their attendance and behaviour.

The interface is very simple to use with intuitive navigation from the homepage. Parents can instantly see whether their child is in school that day, whether

they have been behaving, as well as being able to view their grade results.

The website is also customisable, where the dockable windows can be re arranged as the parent wishes. A photograph of their child is also displayed on the page.

MyChildAtSchool.com is also a fast and effective medium to communicate school announcements to parents. Messages such as school closure reminders and sports events can be displayed.

Using the portal parents are able to access their child's timetable and school calendar, informing them of what

their child is studying on a day to day basis. This not only improves communication between the school and parents but also between parents and their children.

MyChildAtSchool.com reinforces the positive while addressing the negative. Negative trends can be detected easily and discussed with the school before getting out of hand.

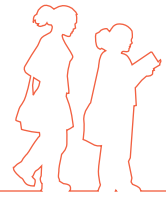
Geoff Staniforth, Assistant Head at Ashby School where MyChildAtSchool is in use said

"Fantastic... we have already seen an increase in parent/teacher communications and have received overwhelming positive feedback from parents and teachers".

Features & Benefits

- MyChildAtSchool.com technology enables parents to access their child's information through a portal, promoting communication between both schools and parents, and parents and their children
- All the data is in real time so a parent can instantly see whether his/her child is in school now
- Ability to record the receipt of payment for school dinners
- Any potential truancy problems can be detected early and prevented
- Acts as a deterrent to pupils at risk of playing truant
- An excellent means for schools to communicate useful information to parents, such as upcoming school events on the school calendar
- Parents can update their personal contact details online so that the school always has their most up to date information
- Schools can alter the design style of the site so it fits in with their current school theme
- All the information is accessed securely using unique user name and passwords
- Schools can choose which information they wish to present to parents e.g. Behaviour Events, Assessment Reports, etc.





“Many parents find MyChildAtSchool easy to use without rapidly overcomplicating things”

Gordon Scott, System Manager, St John Fisher Catholic High School

Diary - working with MyChildAtSchool

Diary is a new optional module that will provide integrated diary management and accompanying features for the Bromcom MIS and MyChildAtSchool.

Diary provides a powerful feature to help manage the burden of booking parent sessions during parent evenings without the paper trail that is typically involved. Parents use MyChildAtSchool to book their meetings from the remaining sessions, which are then automatically conveyed to the teachers and parents will see the confirmation via MyChildAtSchool.

Appointments that need booking				
Mr C. Lator Mathematics	Mrs C. Andrews Design & Technology	Mr M. Xavier Art & Design	Miss M. Jarman ICT	Mr W. Cranston English
Mrs J. Onda Music	Mr J. Gordon History	Mr S. Norris Physics	Mr J. Pattinson Geography	Mr B. Bishop Geography
Ms M. Pradip Music	Rev D. Leeman PE	Mr B. Armour ICT	Mr D. Adams Art & Design	Mr S. Balgobind History
Mr P. Ross Mathematics	Miss F. Charles Drama	Ms P. Lane Citizenship	Mr S. Mai	
N Middleton English				

Appointments that have already been booked		
Time: 00:10	Teacher: K Phoenix	Subject: Design & Techno
Time: 00:25	Teacher: Mr P Montmarzo	Subject: PE
Time: 00:50	Teacher: Ms P Bagshaw	Subject: Physics

Time slots for Miss F Weller	
00:00	Book
00:05	Book
00:10	Book
00:15	Book
00:20	Book
00:25	Book
00:30	Book
00:35	Book
00:40	Book
00:45	Book
00:50	Book
00:55	Book
01:00	Book
01:05	Book
01:10	Book
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01:30	Book

“Parents can monitor their child’s behaviour and attendance lesson by lesson because the system is updated automatically throughout the day. This enables parents to work even more closely with the school to ensure that students attend all lessons. A successful partnership is essential to ensure that every child reaches their full potential”

Geoff Staniforth, Assistant Head,
Ashby School

