

## **Furlong Product News – August 2017**

Below is a summary of the updates available in the latest SchoolBase® release:

## • SchoolBase Public Examinations System

The latest version of SchoolBase addresses the many changes that have been made to JCQ examinations interchange system and how grades and results files are formatted.

### SchoolBase App

Access to calendar, notice board and timetable functions for parents and pupils, with staff also having registration, cover requests, lesson plans and pupil finder. The app is available on Android and iOS devices and free to full-service schools.

#### • Browser Recommendations

Avoid using Internet Explorer and Edge due to weaknesses in these browsers.

### Auditing

All actions carried out through SchoolBase can now be audited/logged.

#### New Pupil Record

The record has been re-designed to make better use of screen space across all devices.

### • Attendance Figures Report

The Attendance Figures Report from Register Reports in the Pupil Finder gives a lot of useful attendance statistics, including a new option to set and report on persistent absence.

#### Room Menu

Several small improvements have been made, including that the owner now gets an alert email when a booking is made on the room they own, unless the new 'Room Alertable' tick box is unticked. For full list see release notes.

#### Shadow Bus Menu

The Bus Menu now has a shadow to allow you to prepare next years' bus routes and users while running this year's.

#### Parent Bus Request System

We have developed a Bus request system for parents, that enables them to request a place for next year. This is not an automatic system but merely sends an e-mail to the address entered in the alert.

## • Staff Search in Staff Selection for Emails etc

Find a staff member by name rather than just scrolling up and down the list.

### Staff Records

Small updates, for full list see release notes.

## Subject Sets

Redesigned so that when you open the lookup you choose which subjects and subject sets to view, and there is a find box to help you get to the subject(s) you want.

For full release notes, visit the Furlong site:

http://www.furlongsolutions.com/support/schoolbase/releases

# Are you signed up for a SchoolBase training course?

If you are interested in attending SchoolBase training, then we will be running the courses again this autumn, keep an eye out for the dates on the <u>Furlong</u> website.

# **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

Furlong is helping schools prepare for new data protection laws that come into effect in May 2018.

Please also check out our new SchoolBase microsite <u>www.schoolbase.solutions</u>

For support requirements please continue to use <a href="www.furlongsolutions.com">www.furlongsolutions.com</a>

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