



7th February 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you of an exciting change to the way we manage and track student data at Etonbury Academy. As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance our administrative processes and provide better support for our students, we will be transitioning from our current Management Information System (SIMS) to a new system, Bromcom.

We will be using the half term break to carry out the migration and configure the system with a go live date of 24th February 2024.

This transition will bring with it several important changes, particularly to the parent portal and how you access your child's information. Why are we making this change? Bromcom is a modern, user-friendly platform that offers a wide range of benefits for both the school and our students. With its advanced features, Bromcom will allow us to manage attendance, assessment, communication, and other key aspects of student life more efficiently and effectively. In time, this transition will also enable us to provide better access to information for parents, streamline communication, and improve reporting.

What does this mean for you?

**Epraise:** The change of MIS will see the end of the Epraise app as the new system has its own parent portal and app called My Child at School (MCAS). This new portal will have a different look to it but you will still have access to the features that you have become accustomed to and over time we hope to develop this further. Epraise will become "read only" and will not show any updates after half term.

**Access to Student Information:** Parents will be able to access their child's information via MCAS, including attendance, grades, and reports, through the new portal once the new MIS system has gone live. Details on how to log in and use this system will be shared with you once we have transitioned to the new system.

**Communication:** The Bromcom platform will serve as an essential tool for communication between the school and parents. You will be able to view updates, messages, and other important information.

**Training and Support:** We understand that transitioning to a new system can be a big change, so we will provide support and guidance to help you get familiar with the new system.

**Online payments:** There will be no change to the way you make online payments for trips/dinner money/exam fees etc. We will continue to use our current system for the time being.

We are confident that this change will help us serve you and your children more effectively and improve the overall school experience. We appreciate your support as we work towards making this transition as smooth as possible. We will keep you informed of any further developments.

Kind regards

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