

Capita SIMS announces a major refresh to their award-winning software for schools

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30 March 2017: Capita SIMS (<http://www.capita-sims.co.uk/>), supplier of the software backbone that supports the majority of schools in the UK, has revealed it will release a series of reimagined management information systems (MIS) that will transform the way teachers use pupil data and manage their school improvement processes.

Drawing on its many years of experience working with schools and using cutting-edge development approaches, the company has redesigned its SIMS system from the ground up. SIMS is currently used in over 21,000 schools to record and analyse information on pupils' achievement, behaviour and attendance, and for more than 30 years it has been a central tool in helping schools identify areas for improvement.

The updated MIS series will enable teachers to fully unlock the power of the data they record on pupils. By proactively presenting school staff with student data as bright and colourful dashboards, charts and proactive alerts, teachers will be able to instantly identify when their pupils may be in need of additional support.

The changes will start with the release of a redeveloped version of SIMS for primary schools in Spring 2018. The company will then follow with the MIS for secondary schools, independent schools and a revised school finance solution.

"In redeveloping the MIS, we wanted a solution that would win over the hearts and minds of teachers. The goal was to ensure teachers would enjoy using the software, no matter what task they had to perform," says Phil Neal, customer advocacy director at Capita SIMS (<http://www.capita-sims.co.uk/>) and one of the original creators of SIMS.

"We went back to basics and looked at every task a teacher or school leader had to carry out in school and what information would help them complete these tasks easily. We then went about designing these features into the software so teachers would not need to spend time pulling data out of systems. Instead, SIMS will present teachers automatically with what they need to know about their pupils, and heads will instantly be able to access all they need to know about their school without having to go looking for it. Our aim is to help schools have all the information they need to improve pupil outcomes."

The reimagined versions of SIMS will be developed in the cloud meaning they also offer schools the ability to access the system from any device, with automatic data back-ups and upgrades. In addition, using the cloud removes the need for onsite servers and maintenance, saving time and money.

Further details relating to new features and enhancements will be released to schools over the coming months. Schools can register to receive these updates at www.capita-sims.co.uk/reveals (http://www.capita-sims.co.uk/reveal?utm_source=Next%20Gen%20Press%20Release&utm_medium=PR&utm_content=&utm_campaign=

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