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ParentComms
PAY+

Simple and affordable online payments service



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What is PAY+

PAY+ is a cashless payment service designed by Atomwide to provide schools with a means to conveniently take online payments for a host of different services. It is a secure, affordable, cloud-based service that is easy to set up and manage and dramatically reduces the administration time taken to manually invite, process, record and report on payments.



Atomwide partner with Secure Trading to deliver PAY+. Secure Trading is an integrated payments services company - a single point of contact for card acquiring, payment processing, PCI DSS compliance and cyber security services. They are big enough to deliver a bespoke service when needed, but small enough to offer genuine care and attention to their partners. Secure Trading ensure further convenience, safety and speed for all PAY+ transactions.

Why Atomwide?

We have 30 years' experience providing IT services and support to UK schools. Our bespoke ICT services are now in use by over 2 million users in over 3,000 schools across the UK. We know schools and we know IT.



Why PAY+



Online payments for school meals, trips, breakfast & after school clubs and more



Easy to set up and manage



Very affordable



An online school shop



Brand-able website with school logo and colours



Continuous cash flow with regular payments to school account



Secure payments via credit / debit card



Fully PCI DSS compliant



School level management via a dedicated website



MIS sync places pupils in correct year and class



No hardware or maintenance costs



Full audit trail and financial reporting



Automated school meal management and daily meal register



Easily chase arrears and payments by text or email



Management of cash payments included



Integration with free mobile app



Fully supported by the Atomwide Service Desk

School level control

Whether it's asking for dinner money payments or school fund contributions PAY+ has a module that helps. There is no limit on the number of items schools can place online for payment, and parents can easily log in and see what their specific outstanding balances and required payments are and safely and securely settle them.

A simple, school-tailored website will greet parents when they log in. On the front page is an area for the school to post announcements or general messages targeted to specific parents and parents will be able to see an area detailing matters that require their attention. The website is fully-optimised for mobile devices.

The website can be branded with your own school logo and colours.

Communication

With PAY+ school administrators can effortlessly keep themselves and parents up-to-date and informed.



An integrated texting and email service allows administrators to communicate with parents by text or email.



Physical letters can be generated for any specified group.



Announcements and messages can be placed on the homepage to greet parents with when they log in.



With the free ParentComms mobile app, schools can keep parents updated with automatic notifications to their smartphones when payment is required.

Dinner money management

With PAY+ schools can manage dinner money administration on a daily basis. The system will keep track of meal charges and free meal entitlements based on information exported from your school's MIS.

Daily reports detailing meal numbers and any special dietary requirements can be produced for the kitchen and account balance changes are made in real-time allowing administrators and parents to have up-to-date information.



Breakfast and after-school clubs

PAY+ makes the management of breakfast and after school clubs easy to do online. No more continuous updating of spreadsheets. The school simply publishes the list of available dates with a capacity limit and parents are then able to book spaces and pay online. Alternatively, the school can reserve spaces for regular attendees or those paying by vouchers.

A daily register is provided each day so those running the clubs know who to expect, and pupils that attend on an ad hoc basis can be added in and paid for retrospectively.

School trip consent and payment

When a new school trip is organised it can be set up as a new payment and the relevant parents can be notified by text, email or push notification. Parents can also provide authorisation for their child to attend the trip via an online consent form.



School shop

In addition to meals and activities, each website contains an online shop area where schools can sell items such as uniform or event tickets.

Your school has full control to upload whatever products they wish via an easy to use in-built template. The school can add stock numbers, shipping charges and photos, and create limits on purchases (i.e. number of school play tickets per pupil) and decide on items for collection or to be posted.



School fund contributions

Schools can collect donations to funds online with PAY+. Although voluntary, seeing a reminder each time a parent logs in can help encourage them to make a payment.

Contribution suggestions can be set on a per child basis or a discounted rate can be set per family. Other options are also available including the ability to exclude parents in hardship from receiving such payment requests at the school's discretion. Payments can be configured to be accepted in instalments.



Making payments

A school's PAY+ site can accept online payments by credit and debit cards. Payments are always made via a secure payment gateway which is fully PCI DSS compliant.

Schools can also accept payment by cash, cheque, BACS or direct debit and record such payments in PAY+ so all income is managed in one place.



Training and support



Training courses are offered which can be conducted at a time and place that suits you. Led by our knowledgeable experts, these courses will help ensure you have the knowledge to successfully use the features of PAY+ to their fullest, helping reduce admin time.

As an Atomwide service, PAY+ is underpinned by our industry-leading help and support, not just for if things go wrong but to help make sure you are getting the best use and value for money possible.

What our schools say



“ Thank you for your help and advice in getting set up. We have been running your online payment scheme for several years now and it has saved us a lot of work in the office. It has also proved popular with the parents who find it more convenient and have given positive feedback. ”

Bishop Perrin Church of England School, Richmond

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- ✓ Online payments for school meals, trips, clubs, care & funds
 - ✓ Easy to set up and manage
 - ✓ Very affordable, cloud-based service
 - ✓ An online school shop
 - ✓ Brand-able website with school logo and colours
 - ✓ Secure payments via credit / debit card
 - ✓ Full audit trail and financial reporting
 - ✓ Management of cash payments included
 - ✓ Includes the AutoText texting and email service
 - ✓ Integration with free mobile app
 - ✓ Fully supported by the Atomwide Service Desk
- And much more...

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