Release Notes

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Modules Affected

Academic Reports, Activities, Admin Enquiry, Asset Manager, Attendance, Dashboard, Enrolments, Enterprise Console, Enterprise Setup, Fees and Billing, Health, Interviews, Messaging, Portal, Portal Console, Sentral Pay, Staff Absences, Visitors, Wellbeing

Academic Reports

[improved] Attitudes to Learning support in Progression Points

Academic Reports | Layout | Components

You can now display Attitudes to Learning data correctly in Progression Points Enhanced when it is linked through schema assignments. Strand-based reporting and previous score handling now displays the most relevant data first and prevents previous scores from appearing when no source is selected. This helps improve report accuracy and presentation consistency.

[improved] Guided rollover options for Semester Reports (ACTEDU Only)

Academic Reports Setup | Reporting Periods | Rollover Reporting Period

You can now view reporting periods grouped into 'Master Reporting Periods' and 'Other Reporting Period Options' when rolling over Semester Reports, so you can more easily select an appropriate source reporting period and reduce rollover errors.

Activities

[improved] Archived status in activity exports and reports

Activities | Reports

You can now view an ‘Archived’ column in activity exports and reports that include archived activities. The column displays ‘Yes’ for archived activities and ‘No’ for active activities, so you can easily identify activity status and improve reporting accuracy.

[improved] Include student middle names in activity exports

Activities | Print | Export Students

You can now include students' middle names when exporting activity participants, so you can provide more complete student information for travel, reporting and other external requirements.

[Improved] Student name filtering in Activities

Activities | Activity Overview | Manage Custom Fields | Manage Permission Responses | Manage Reporting

You can now filter by partial or full first name or surname, or a combination of the two, to return all matching students, rather than selecting a single student from a list. This makes it easier to find and work with students who have the same or similar names.

[fixed] Activities Dashboard error

Activities | Dashboard

You no longer see a 500 server error when opening the Activities Dashboard.

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Admin Enquiry

[improved] Enhanced medical summary report (ACTEDU Only)

Admin Enquiry | Reports | Medical Summary

You can now include disability, primary contact and emergency contact information in the Medical Summary report, so you can quickly access important student details during emergencies or when other systems are unavailable.

Asset Manager

[fixed] Edit asset without resetting custom fields

Registers | Asset Register

You can now edit a custom field in an asset without other custom fields being cleared or reset. This ensures that updates to assets are saved as intended.

Attendance

[new] Campus tracking in Sick Bay

School Attendance | Sick Bay | Sick Bay Register; Currently In Sick Bay; Reports | Sick Bay

You can now record and view campus information for Sick Bay entries when campuses are configured, so you can quickly identify a student's location during emergencies and improve reporting across multiple campuses.

Dashboard

[new] Permission to control parent portal message deletion and purging

Enterprise Setup | General | Permissions | Dashboard Setup | Portal

You can now control whether users can delete or purge Portal Messages through a new 'Can Delete and Purge Messages' ACL. With this dedicated permission setting you can better manage message retention and prevent the removal of communication history.

Enrolments

[improved] Additional student filters in Manage Students

Enrolments | Current Enrolments | Manage Students

You can now filter students by Roll Class and Linked Households, so you can find and manage student records more quickly.

Enterprise Console

[improved] Enterprise Communications terminology and navigation updates

Enterprise Communications | Staff Notices and Feed Items

You can now access staff notices under Enterprise Communications > Staff Notices, while parent and student communications are available under Enterprise Communications > Feed Items. This clearer terminology and navigation help you distinguish internal staff communications from parent and student communications.

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Enterprise Setup

[improved] Filter enterprise feed items by year level

Enterprise Communications | Feed Items

You can now target enterprise feed items to specific year levels using a new Year Level filter when creating or editing a feed item. Year levels are matched using the Census Year configured in each school's Enrolments setup, so you can deliver more relevant communications to parents and students while reducing unnecessary messages.

[new] Automatic account deactivation (For schools that have configured an Automatic Account Deactivation time in Setup only)

Enterprise Setup | General | Login Preferences

You can now set the number of days a user can remain inactive before their account is automatically deactivated, helping keep user lists current and simplify account management. Deactivated accounts will automatically reactivate when the user next logs in.

Fees and Billing

[improved] Select a date for Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary exports

Exports | Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary

You can now select a date when generating the Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary export, so you can produce debtor/receivables information for a specific point in time, such as month-end. Transactions dated after the selected date are excluded from the export and ageing calculations, improving reporting accuracy and reconciliation.

[improved] Select values for Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary exports

Exports | Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary

You can now choose which values to include when generating Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary exports, so you can focus on the information most relevant to your reporting needs and analyse exported data more efficiently.

This helps you tailor exports to your reporting requirements and improve visibility of debtor information.

New values available for selection include:

- Debtor/Contact BPAY CRN
- Debtor/Contact Reference 1
- Debtor/Contact Reference 2
- Xero/Dynamics Debtor Balance (independent and ACTEDU only)
- School Year of Oldest Child
- Date of Last Payment
- Amount of Last Payment
- Debtor Notes

[improved] Select an ageing period for Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary exports

Exports | Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary

You can now select an ageing period when generating Aged Debtor/Receivables Summary exports, so you can calculate the ageing of outstanding balances based on months or terms. This helps you analyse receivables more flexibly and align reporting with your school's financial processes.

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[improved] Link donation payments to existing debtors/contacts

Invoice/Fee Creation | Donations

You can now configure donation requests to record payments against a parent's existing debtor/contact record, so you can view all payments made by that parent in a single location, and improve payment visibility.

By default, donation payments continue to be recorded against a separate debtor/contact record representing the parent as an individual.

You can choose to link donation payments to existing debtor/contact records when creating the donation request.

[improved] Filter Students Register by Donation Type

Registers | Students Register

You can now filter the Students Register by Donation Type, so you can more easily identify which students are linked to donation payments.

[new] Payment schedules for donations (Independent and ACTEDU schools only)

Invoice Creation | Donations

You can now enable parents to set up payment schedules for donations at the same time they schedule payments for invoices, so they can manage regular donations and school fee payments in one place. This helps streamline payment management and make ongoing contributions easier to arrange.

[new] Parent prepayments in the Parent Portal (ACTEDU, independent schools integrating with Xero, and NSW government schools)

Setup | Fees, Billing & Payments/Finance Setup | Online Payment Settings

You can now enable one-off prepayments in the Parent Portal, so parents can make payments in advance and better manage their school expenses based on their individual financial circumstances. This helps families plan payments more flexibly throughout the year.

Health

[new] Medical Amendments home page widget

Health Module | Home Page

You can now access Medical Amendments directly from a dedicated widget on the Health home page, so you can quickly review and manage amendment requests without navigating through other Health features.

[improved] Consistent Health permissions across Student Profiles

Health | Student Search | Student Profile

You can now apply Health Module access permissions consistently across Student Profile pages, so users only see and access Health information and actions they are authorised to use regardless of where they access student records.

[new] Independent access controls for Health Module features

Enterprise Setup | Permissions | Health

You can now enable or disable individual Health Module features, so users only see the Health functionality relevant to their school.

- Separate ACLs are available for Care Plans, Sick Bay, Medication, Ambulance Register, Medical Amendments, and Reports.
- Disabled features are hidden from Health Module navigation, widgets, and setup areas.

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Interviews

[improved] Manage and print parent interview bookings

Interviews | *Session Summary* | *Actions* | *Manage Bookings*

You can now search for a parent's interview bookings, review confirmed appointments, resend booking confirmations and generate a printable schedule, so you can quickly assist families who need their interview details on the day.

[fixed] Generation time required for automatic notifications

Interviews Setup | *Setup* | *Automatic Notifications* | *Add Rule*

You now need to set a Generation Time before saving an automatic notification rule. This ensures notifications are generated at the intended time rather than at midnight.

[improved] Easier navigation back to Interviews

Interviews | *Bookings & Student Interview Notes & Topic Submissions*

You can now use the ‘Back to Interviews’ link at the top and bottom of these new pages, so you can return to Interviews more quickly and navigate the module consistently.

[improved] Warning for unsaved interview session changes

Interviews | *Actions* | *Manage Online Session Details* | *Manage In Person Session Details*

You now receive a warning when navigating away after making unsaved changes, to prevent the loss of unsaved data entry.

Messaging

[new] Exclude Parent Portal users from email recipients

Messaging | *Send Messages* | *SMS & Email*

You can now exclude active Parent Portal users when sending emails to parent-based cohorts, so you can reduce duplicate communications and target families who are not actively using the portal.

- New 'Exclude Portal Parents' checkbox for eligible parent recipient lists
- Available across supported parent cohort and cohort member selections
- When selected, emails will only be sent to parents who are not active Parent Portal users.

Portal

[improved] More control when sending parent portal reminder emails

Portal Console Setup | *Parent Access* | *Contact Keys*

You can now choose whether to send reminder emails to all parents with unactivated portal access keys or only to selected parents, so you can provide targeted support without sending unintended communications.

Portal Console

[new] Configurable contact key reminder emails for parents

Portal Console Setup | *General* | *Email Setup*

You can now configure the 'Contact Key Reminder Email to Parents' message in Email Setup, so you can keep reminder communications aligned with your school's Parent Portal messaging and branding.

[improved] Enhanced search for portal users and contact keys

Portal Console Setup | *Parent Access* | *Contact Keys; Manage Users*

You can now search for parents and users using partial or full first names, surnames, first initial plus surname, or full name combinations, so you can find records more quickly and accurately in schools with large enrolments. This helps administrators locate parent, student and user records more efficiently, particularly when searching for common surnames.

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[improved] Configurable family amendments for Enrolment schools

Portal Console | *Setup* | *General*

Enrolment schools can now configure which contact, family and student details parents can update through the Parent Portal. Authorised staff can add, remove and relabel supported fields, set fields as mandatory or optional, and include Enrolments Additional Fields, Passport and Visa information.

Parents can update only the fields configured by their school and only for records associated with students they can access. Submitted changes continue through the existing amendment approval workflow and update Enrolments once approved.

[new] Pending amendment request counters

Portal Console | *Family Amendments* and *Health* | *Medical Amendments*

You can now view pending request counters for Family Amendment Requests and Medical Amendment Requests, so you can quickly identify outstanding parent-submitted updates without relying on email notifications.

Sentral Pay

[new] Record payment methods for manual payments (VIC government schools only)

Sentral Pay | *Payment Requests*

You can now record a payment method when entering a full or partial payment against a payment request, so you can improve payment tracking and visibility.

- Available payment methods include Cash, EFTPOS, Bank Transfer, Cheque and CSEF
- CSEF payments recorded in Sentral do not automatically update the linked student's CSEF balance. They must be recorded in CASES21 separately.
- Additional payment methods can be configured via Setup | Payments Setup | Receipting Settings
- View and filter recorded manual payments via Sentral Pay | Manual Payments

[new] View CSEF availability and balance for payment requests (VIC government schools only)

Sentral Pay | *Payment Requests*

You can now see when the student linked to a payment request has an available CSEF balance, including the balance available for allocation, so you can manage CSEF allocations more easily and accurately.

- Balances are retrieved from CASES21 overnight and do not reflect allocations that may have been processed since the last update
- Payment Requests screen can be filtered by CSEF availability
- CSEF balance is also displayed when recording a payment

[improved] Record partial payments (VIC government schools only)

Sentral Pay | *Payment Requests*

You can now record partial payments against payment requests, so you can more accurately track outstanding balances and monitor the status of requests that have been paid in part. This helps improve payment visibility and reduce manual reconciliation.

Can be used to record partial allocation of CSEF funding

Staff Absences

[improved] External timetable cover data now syncs with Staff Absences

Staff Absences | *Edit Absence*

You can now automatically sync cover arrangements from supported external timetabling systems into Staff Absences, so you can reduce manual data entry and keep absence and cover information aligned.

This helps schools maintain more accurate cover information and improves consistency between timetabling and Staff Absences records.

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[improved] Timetable cover syncing in Staff Absences (schools using external timetable integrations)

Staff Absences Setup | *Cover Settings* and *Staff Absences* | *Add New Absence* | *Edit Absence*

You can now automatically sync daily cover information from supported external timetabling systems into Staff Absences, including cover allocations, cancelled classes, split classes and minimal supervision arrangements. Audit logging records cover teachers that cannot be matched to a staff member in Sentral to improve visibility of data issues. This allows you can maintain consistent absence and cover records without manual updates.

[new] Staff Covers report

Staff Absences | *Reports* | *Staff Covers*

You can now generate a dedicated Staff Covers report with filters for cover type, classes, roles, covering staff and supervising staff. Print to PDF or export to CSV to quickly review cover and supervision arrangements, identify staffing impacts and support resource planning.

Visitors

[new] Mandatory campus selection for visitor check-ins (schools with campuses only)

Visitor Setup | *Visitors* | *Campuses*

You can now choose to make Campus a mandatory field for visitor check-ins across both the Visitors module and Visitor Kiosk, so you can accurately identify and report on visitor activity by campus location.

Available only for schools with campuses configured in Enrolments Setup.

When enabled, visitors must select a campus before completing a check-in, helping reduce missing location data and improve record accuracy.

Wellbeing

[improved] Edit previously triggered automatic notifications

Wellbeing | *Setup* | *Notifications* | *Automatic Notifications*

You can now update recipients for previously triggered automatic notifications without deleting and recreating the rule, so you can maintain notification settings while preserving an accurate history of past notifications.

- Previously triggered notifications can be updated through a copied version of the original rule.
- Historical notification configurations remain unchanged for audit purposes.
- Changes are recorded in the notification history, including the date, user and original rule reference.

[improved] Advanced filtering for Awards reports

Wellbeing | *Reports* | *Awards*

You can now apply multiple selections across Awards report filters and filter results by campus, so you can generate more targeted reports and analyse award data across specific cohorts, classes, houses and campuses. This helps you refine Awards reports more accurately and reduce the time needed to create complex report criteria.

[improved] Clearer review and submit step in Incident Wizard (ACTEDU Only)

Wellbeing | *Incident Wizard*

For incident categories that use the Incident Wizard, you can now review incident details in a read-only layout that matches the saved incident view, so it is clearer which information can be edited before submission and helps reduce user confusion during the review process.

[improved] Support for Simon Data and Compass Chronicle incident imports

Wellbeing | *Setup* | *Import Incidents*

You can now import incident data from both Simon Data and Compass Chronicle CSV files through the Import Incidents process. This helps streamline incident data migration and maintain consistent wellbeing records across supported systems.

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