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TouchAbacus for the Education Sector

Case Study Ryde School



Ryde School, Isle of Wight has been using TouchAbacus for 2 years. It replaced tickets for free school meals and simple cash registers. Becky White says the biggest benefit has been accuracy because all products are listed on the terminal. It's also given more control over what pupils can buy. For Becky, speed's an advantage of using TouchAbacus too because eliminating cash has improved service time.

Does Becky recommend TouchAbacus? Absolutely! It's helped with administration, given the parents more control and removed the stigma surrounding free school meals. Plus she says meal sales have increased.



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TouchAbacus for the Education System

ICRTouch is revolutionising catering software for the education sector. When they're combined, our TouchPoint till software and our specially designed TouchAbacus package can deal specifically with the challenges of catering for schools, colleges and universities.

They offer a complete system that transforms the way meal times are run. They manage stock and implement a fair, secure, child-friendly, cashless system. The buying and selling of food and drink becomes as easy as 1...2...3.



TouchAbacus enables school staff to check what's being spent in the canteen. The system tracks vulnerable pupils ensuring children are getting what they need at lunchtime. TouchAbacus monitors the number of free meals being eaten and who is eating them. Information is centralised, easy to source and simple to compile for reports, so caterers can claim back free meals from their LEA with ease.

Create a level playing field...

There can often be a stigma attached to eating free meals in schools. Sometimes that stigma prevents children claiming their entitlement. TouchPoint unifies how meals are purchased, helping those eating free meals to blend in.

The system also allows for extra credit on top and functions as a purse or wallet when children need a snack.



TouchPoint till software

Eliminates the need for children and young people to carry cash to the canteen.

Replaces coins and notes with a magnetic card or a contactless smart card.

If you prefer, a simple name or number can be quoted at the till, or a state of the art biometrics system can be introduced.

Displays a photo of the young customer alongside their account details, ensuring the card is being used by the person for whom it was intended.

Can operate temporary accounts for new children, visitors and for pupils who have forgotten their ID.

Parental control

Meanwhile, ICRTouch's TouchAbacus is software that runs on a central server. It collects and collates sales data and compiles the information into useful reports. It's...

Designed to limit spending.

Parents and guardians retain control of their children's eating habits. The software manages expenditure at break-time and over the whole school day. Pupils can't fill up on snacks or run out of cash at lunchtime.

Manages online payment.

Working alongside existing systems like ParentPay and WisePay, parents and guardians can credit children's accounts over the internet, allowing for emergency top-ups. Parents and guardians can also monitor spending online.

- Cleverly manages VAT. Charges tax on accounts for adults but omits VAT on children's meals.
- Imports student data (compatible with SIMS and PASS) and creates account information to be displayed on TouchPoint tills when it's time to pay.

TouchPoint + TouchAbacus =
Even more great features.

- ICRTouch has over 30 years experience in developing and supplying EPOS systems. Nearly 40,000 software licences sold.
- TouchPoint till software is effortless to use, reliable and proven.
- Developed over 15 years and (thanks to annual software upgrades) it remains cutting edge.

TouchAbacus + TouchOffice =
A comprehensive stock management and business reporting system at your fingertips.

TouchAbacus + TouchPoint + TouchTopUp =
Boxing clever.

- Add our wall-mounted industrial steel TouchTopUp cash box and you'll be offering an on-site facility to top-up catering accounts with coins and notes.