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Bromcom My Child at School (MCAS)

Important Update from The Enquire Learning Trust

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you of a change within The Enquire Learning Trust and across all our academies. In our ongoing commitment to improving communication, streamlining processes, and ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils and staff, we want to share with you the Trust-wide adoption of a uniform approach to using Bromcom - My Child at School (MCAS) - across all our academies.

# What is MCAS and Why Are We Using It?

MCAS is a secure online platform designed to bring together all aspects of school-parent engagement. This solution is an extension of the schools Management Information System which stores all information about your child and their school record. This decision follows extensive consideration of how we can best support both our families and our schools in a modern, efficient, and secure way.

# The Benefits to You and Your Child

* Secure Messaging with Added Safeguards: MCAS provides a safe and protected system for communicating important information, ensuring messages reach you accurately and with confidentiality. This can be individual, class or school level messages.
* Efficient Dinner Processes: The platform enables seamless management of school dinners, helping us keep meal costs as low as possible while making it easier for parents to check menus, order meals, and monitor balances and make payments.
* A Single Point of Engagement: MCAS will become your dedicated place for all school-related engagements - whether it’s notifications, key dates, letters, or updates - removing the need to check multiple channels or remove paper-based methods.
* A Single Platform for Payments: All payments will be processed within MCAS, whether that be for Dinners, for Trips and Clubs, or for Wraparound Care, this single location for all payments will ensure efficiencies for both schools and parents.
* Streamlined Data Collection: Schools will be able to capture core information for every child, including essential parental consents and contact information, in a secure and consistent way. This not only saves time but also ensures that your child’s information is up-to-date and accurate.

# Staged Rollout from September 2025

We recognise that effective change is best achieved in manageable stages. Therefore, our rollout will begin in September, with the first phase focusing on Communications. This means that, from the start of the new academic year, MCAS will be the main channel for all school-to-home and home-to-school communications across each academy.

Subsequent elements, such as dinner management, parental consent, and wider school engagement features will be introduced in a phased manner throughout the next school year. You will receive clear guidance and support at every step to ensure a smooth and positive transition.

# What Happens Next?

Ahead of September, you will be provided with your logon details to use MCAS as you have Parental Responsibility for a child attending an ELT academy, including the step-by-step instructions via the link below.

[Bromcom MCAS Installation Guide for Parents](https://d3kchveacp7yrb.cloudfront.net/2020/08/MCAS-Parent-Guide-July-24-New-UI-version-1.pdf)

Please liaise with the school for any support if you have any questions. Your academy will also keep you informed as new features go live, and our Trust team will provide updates and resources to help you make the most of this new system.

# Working Together for Our Children

We believe that by unifying our approach and harnessing the benefits of MCAS, we can strengthen the partnership between home and school, further improving the educational experience and wellbeing of every child within The Enquire Learning Trust.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to working together as we embark on this positive change.



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