

CARRICKFERGUS ACADEMY

YEAR 8 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING

28 SEPTEMBER 21



Key Points

- Tracking Your Child's Progress
- Homework
- Google Classroom
- SIMs Parent App

| Tracking Your Child's Progress

- Ongoing assessment through homework and other assessments but, there are four key assessment points throughout the year
 - OCTOBER (CLASS TEST WITH TRACKING REPORT)
 - DECEMBER (CLASS TEST WITH TRACKING REPORT)
 - MARCH (CLASS TEST WITH TRACKING REPORT)
 - MAY (SUMMER EXAM WITH ANNUAL REPORT)
- At each stage, you will receive your child's performance based on a stanine or level between 1-9 for all subjects – via SIMs App
- You will also receive information on attendance and behaviour
- Parents / Subject Teacher Meeting will be in April

Assessment Cycle

Year 8 Assessment Calendar 2021/22

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Assessment Cycle	CAT / PIE / PIM testing	<u>Cycle 1</u> 21 Oct Tracking report Issued on Parent App		<u>Cycle 2</u> 16 Dec Tracking report Issued on Parent App	Progress Reviewed		<u>Cycle 3</u> 18 Mar Tracking report Issued on Parent App			<u>Cycle 4</u> 9 Jun Examination Week Year 8 16-20 May Full Report Issues on Parent App
Parent Meetings	Year 8							Year 8		

Year 8 Examination Week – 16 – 20 May

Tracking Your Child's Progress

You have received your child's :

- National CAT Stanine
- Progress In English Stanine
- Progress In Maths Stanine

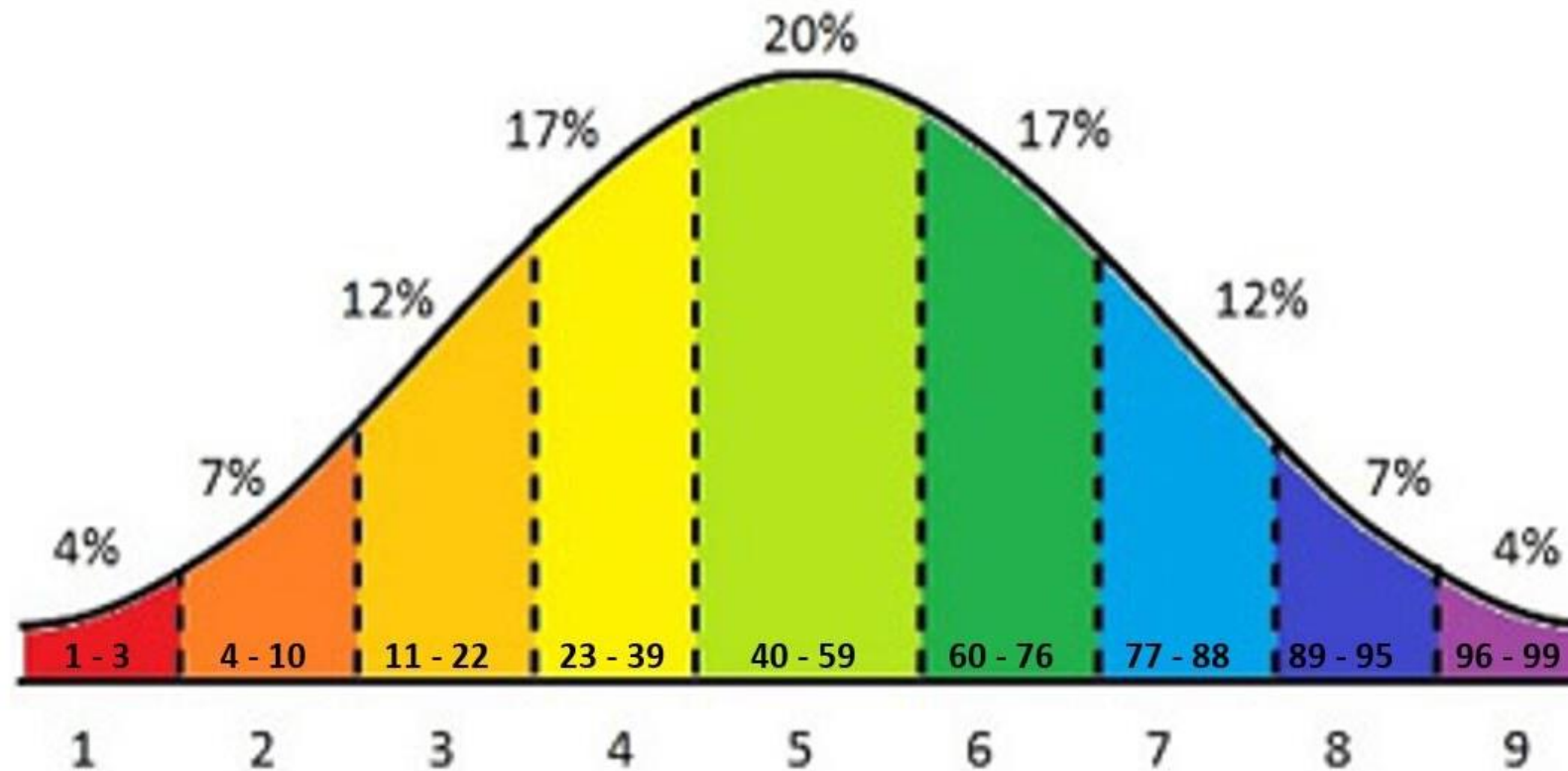
Your child is in a streamed class based on their score for their CAT test

We have set your child a target stanine or level based on their CAT stanine.

Students are expected to perform at their target or , for some above.

We have built in opportunity for stretch and challenge in the target grades we have set.



How do Stanines work?



Key Points

- Students will undertake common but differentiated assessments at each key tracking point
- We will review progress and class placement after Tracking 2
- We will re-test all Year 8 students at the end of the year in Progress in Maths and English – you will be given the outcomes.
- At the end of Year 8, performance in Key Subjects in Summer Examinations will be taken into account along with CAT Stanine on entry to re-stream classes for Year 9.

What will your child be assessed on?

<div>  <u>Year 8 Assessment 2021/22</u>  </div>				
Subject	Topics to be Assessed			
	Assessment 1	Assessment 2	Assessment 3	Assessment 4 End of Year Test
Art	Creative lettering- Name	Pencil -Self Portrait	Arcimboldo style food face design	Analytical mask drawing
English	Wonder - Talking and Listening Assessment	Wonder - 'A time I was proud' writing assessment	Stepping Up -Diary entry reading assessment	Health Campaigns - Analysis reading assessment
Geography	Introduction to Geography	Map Skills	Ecosystems	End of Year assessment covering topics from the whole year.
HE	Key word spellings and meanings What is HE, Safety and Hygiene rules, Washing up	Equipment First aid	Practical Assessment	End of year assessment on topics from the whole year
History	Evidence, chronology, Ancient Greece	Greece and Rome	1066 and Norman Conquest of England Norman Consolidation of Power	End of year assessment on topics from the whole year
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Maths	Unit 1 - Statistics	Unit 2 - Symmetry Unit 3 - Number	Unit 4 -Shape Unit 5 - Decimals	Unit 1-5 from throughout the year Unit 6 - Probability Unit 7 - Angles
Music	Up and Down - keyboard assessment and "Listen In" assessment	Instruments of the Orchestra listening assessment Winter Composition	Rap composition and assessment 4 Raps - listening assessment	Three Little Birds - keyboard assessment Volcano composition
PE	Practical unit: Games For Understanding (All pupils)	Practical unit: Girls - Badminton Boys - Parkour	Practical unit: Girls: Gymnastics & Health Related PE Boys:Basketball & Badminton	Practical unit: Athletics (All pupils)
RE	Unit 1 Bible	Unit 2 Abraham	Unit 3 Moses	End of year test on all topics: The Bible, Abraham, The story of Moses
Science	Introducing Science booklet - revise pages 1-18	Cells booklet - up to and including classification	Materials booklet - revise up to and including density	End of year exam; revise all four booklets (introducing science, cells, materials and forces)
Spanish	Greetings	Alphabet & Numbers 1-31	In class	End of year test on a range of topics.
Technology	Keyfob - Practical and Test	Disney- Practical and Test	Stationary- Practical and Test	End of year test



Homework

Differences from Primary School

- How much is set?
- When is it set?
- When is it due?



Why set Homework?

Work set to

- a) Complete classwork
- b) Build on what is learnt
- c) Prepare for next class
- d) Research
- e) Revise
- f) Prepare for tests



How does the school support us?

- Contact teachers – GC, phone, email
- Homework Club – Wednesday 1 hour
- Extended Schools Programme – Focus on Homework
 - a) 3 days a week
 - b) Monitor homework - monthly study clinics
- Free Word, Excel, PowerPoint etc.



What can we do as parents?

- Dedicated space – kitchen table
- Have a homework time – immediately home, before tea, after tea
- Be aware of what is set – none one day but may have 5 next day
- Let us know if there are reasons why it cannot be done

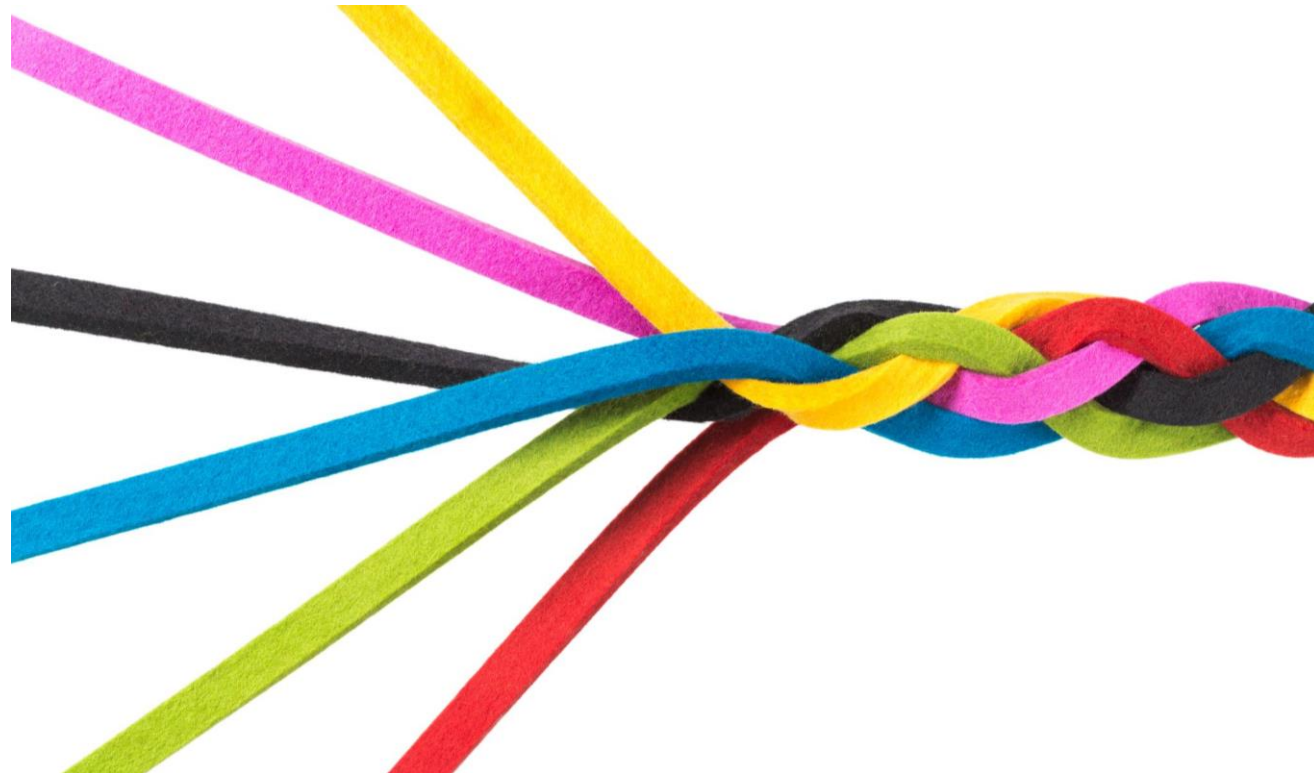


Google Classroom

- Demonstration
- Mrs Magill



Pastoral



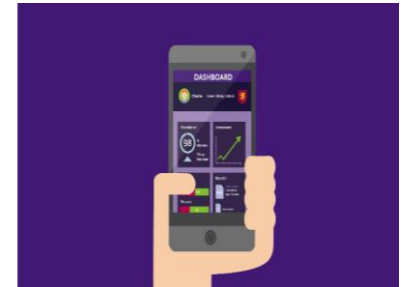
- Pastoral Staff, Youth Services, YMCA, Independent Counselling, Special Educational Needs provision, Sense Room, HUB Room, Mentoring, Engage



SIMS Parent App
Follow your child's progress

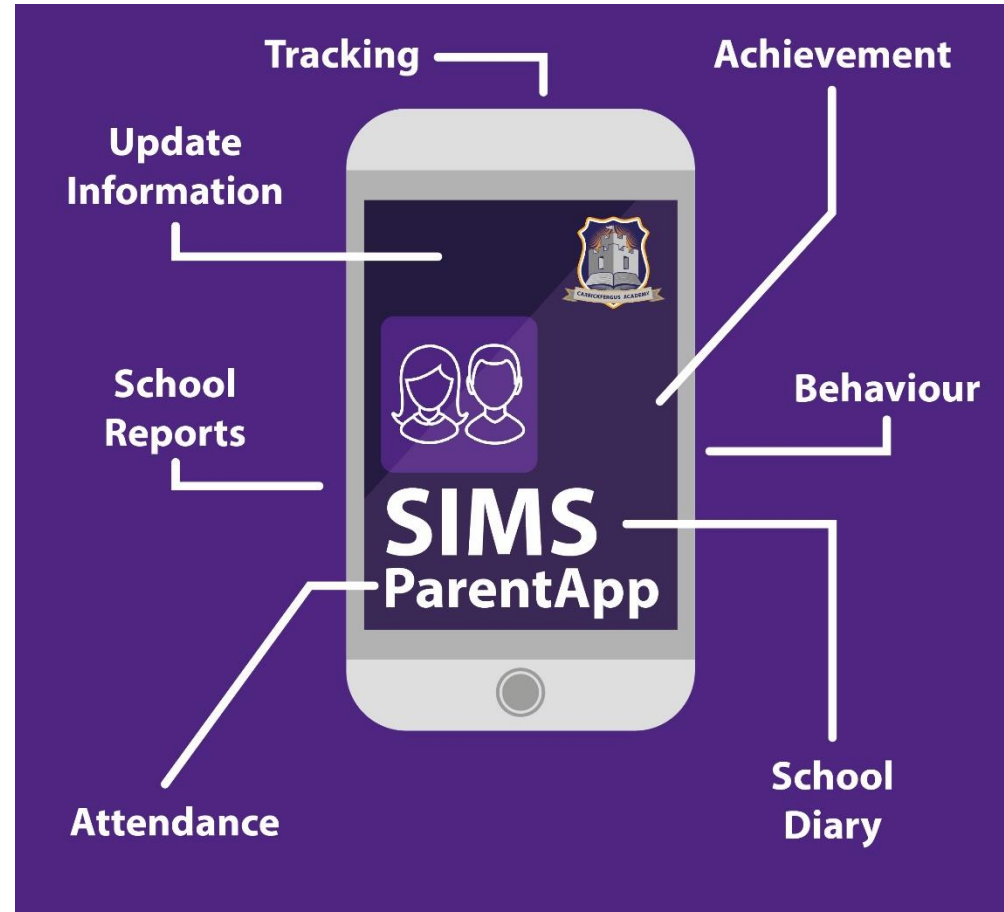


Sims Parent App @ Carrickfergus Academy





What is Parent App?





Parent Engagement





Why Parent App?



The SIMS Parent app allows schools:-

- To easily communicate with parents, quickly and effectively
- Improve efficiency
- To engage parents in all aspects of their child's school life via smart phone, tablet or PC
 - Attendance
 - Behaviour
 - Reminders
 - Automated alerts
 - Information on Extra-curricular
 - Timetable
 - Reports
 - Assessment
- To get the parents more involved in real time so they can monitor their child's progress, attendance and receive important alerts and information
- To work with parents to improve outcomes for their children.



What happens if parents already have Parent App

If they already have Parent App don't panic, they just accept Carrickfergus Academy invitation and follow the instructions, make sure that they log in using the **same log in as they first registered their first child** and then they will be able to see all children on the one app.

**DON'T
PANIC!**



What will I see on my phone?



Attendance

Parents can see the attendance for their child, morning and afternoon in real time.

They will also receive a summary report every Friday evening.

w/c 7th October 2019					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
AM	✓	✓	✓	—	—
PM	✓	✓	—	—	—

w/c 30th September 2019					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
AM	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PM	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



What will I see on my phone?



Timetable

Today	9th October 2019
Registration Mr C O'Loughlin	09:05 09:20
INFORMATION TECH W1 Mr C O'Loughlin	09:20 09:50
INFORMATION TECH W1 Mr C O'Loughlin	09:50 10:20
INFORMATION TECH SB11 Mrs S Compton	10:20 10:50



What will I see on my phone?



Messages

Message will be push notification like a text message or a WhatsApp.

Parents will get a notification if they allow notifications on their phone when a message has been sent.

However it will always be in their messages section.

Launching Parent App

Received on 7th October 2019 at 11:45

Mr Beattie welcome to parent app. Today we have launched parent app and you can see some of the features. Over the next while we will be launching more features so that you can keep up to date with your daughter progress. We will inform you via messaging when new features have been added. Today you should see your daughter timetable and you daughter is in Year 9-14 and not a new pupil you should see their photo. There is icons for Reports and Assessment, the first assessment will be available at Halloween and the first report in January.



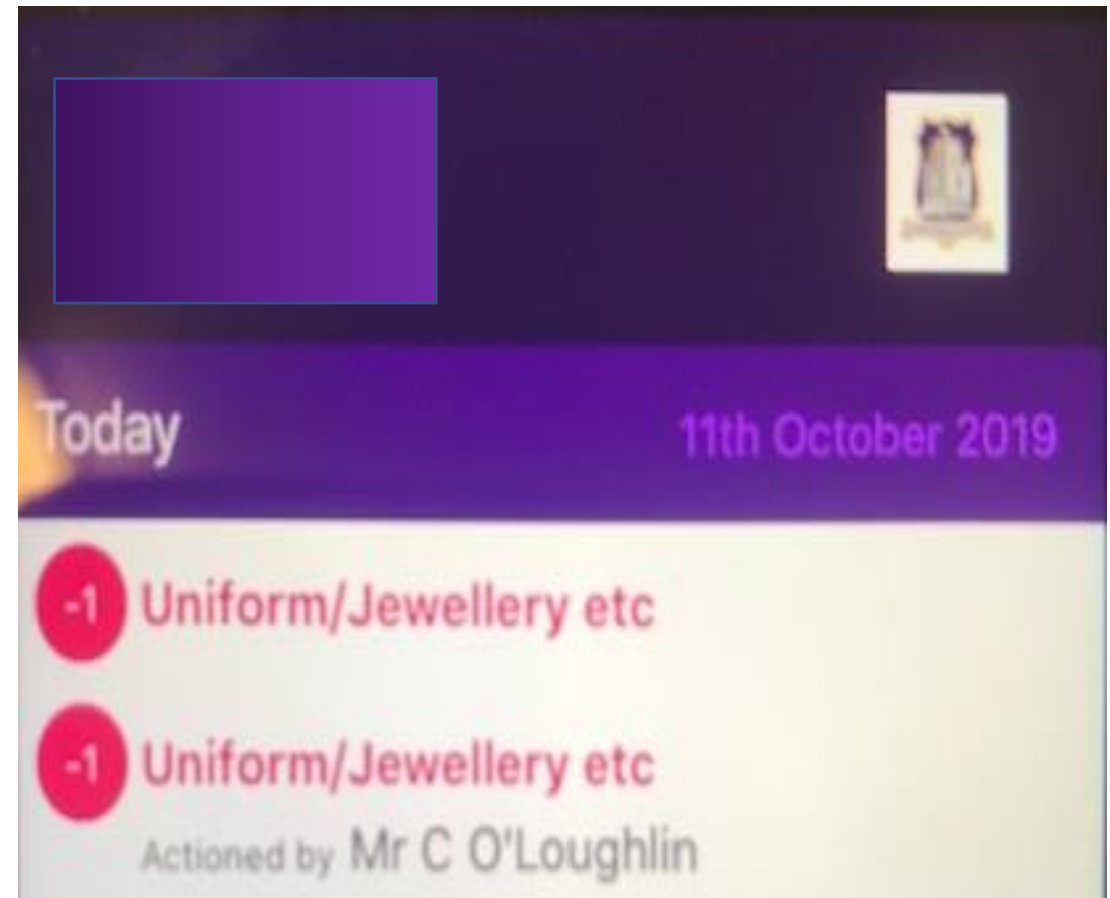
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Behaviour

This will appear on the phone as shown opposite.

Make sure that all behaviours are actioned by





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Reports

Please ensure that you have installed a document viewer for .pdf and .doc file types. X

Academic year 2018/2019

Year 12 Report

18 Jan 2019 | PDF



What will I see on my phone?

- School Calendar
 - keys dates and events
- School Activities
- Positive Achievement

Y9 Girls Basketball

Respond to invite

Details

Student	Student A
Occurs At	Today at 15:30
Finishes At	Today at 16:30
Location	Sports Hall
Payment	No payment required
Student Notes	Your daughter is invited to Y9 basketball tonight...

— Hide

Your daughter is invited to Y9 basketball tonight

This activity occurs 1 time

March 2019						
Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Accept

Decline



What will I see on my phone?



Reports

Attendance Details:

Attendance: 97.8%

Lates: 0

Detentions: 0

Behaviour Points: 0

Form Teacher Comment:

An excellent report for Emma. Emma is a very hard working and pleasant pupil. She works to the best of her ability and her efforts are beginning to show throughout all her subjects. I hope Emma continues with this high work ethic in the new term and achieves all her targets. Well done Emma.

Form Teacher:

Principal Comment:

An excellent report Emma which promises well for August. You should be justifiably proud of what you have achieved. Keep up the good work.

Principal: 

Effort / Conduct

1: Excellent 2: Good 3: Satisfactory 4: Unsatisfactory

5: Needs urgent action by pupil

Should you have any concerns about this report, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy.



Year 12 Report
Term 1 2018

Name:
Class: 12I



What will I see on my phone?



Reports



Subject	Target Grade	T1 Grade	T2 Grade	Effort	Conduct	Comment
English Mrs	C	D	B	1	1	Emma has had a successful first term. She has just completed two speaking and Listening tasks to a high standard. She has impressed me with her efforts in class and is currently sitting above her target grade. Well done Emma! Time should be spent focusing on the piece of controlled assessment she has the opportunity to re-sit, this will ensure she is sitting in the best possible position for the final exams in June.
Maths	C	E	E	1	1	Emma is a hardworking and focused pupil, who strives for a deeper understanding of each topic. She works well independently but also knows when to ask for help if she is ever unsure. To make sure that Emma is completely prepared for the upcoming exams she could try and avail of the school's online maths support. Keep up the good work Emma.

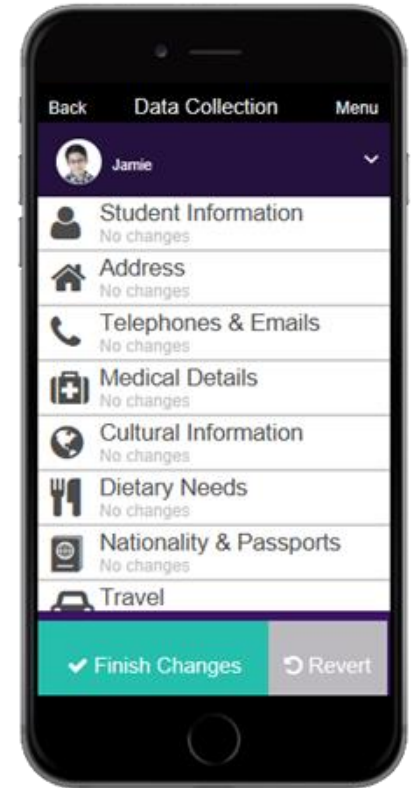


What will I see on my phone?



Data Collection


- You can keep your details up-to-date
- You can update it anytime of the day or night
- You will receive a response when the school has updated this information
- Everything is confidential as it comes directly from the parent app which has been register to the parent
- This will take away the school data capture form sent out each year






What will I see on my PC?



 SIMS | Parent

Carrickfergus Academy

Hello J Evans ▾




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 Messages

0 New

 Calendar

0 Today
0 Tomorrow

 SIMS Options



What will I see on my PC?



Browser tabs: (2) Facebook, Mail - judith evans - Outlook, Mail - J Evans - Outlook, SIMS Parent

Address bar: sims-parent.co.uk/#/schools/efa6eba9-4f6d-44de-b110-8bacf64e76fe/home

SIMS | Parent Carrickfergus Academy Hello J Evans

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Queries?

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Video on Parent App?



<https://www.capita-sims.co.uk/resources/videos/sims-parent-app-parents-view>

