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Introduction

Release Notes are issued to alert schools that a new build has been released and is available for download from the EduAdmin FTP site. While it is not necessary to download every latest build, please ensure that you do not miss too many builds before deploying a latest build. It is essential to keep EduAdmin up to date on your server as we do not support old versions. Release Notes contain brief notes on what has changed in the new build such as new functionality and patches. Please take a minute to read the Release Notes as they may contain specific instructions or warnings regarding the deployment of the latest build.

Please contact the **EduAdmin Support Desk** support@eduadmin.com or **011 2344772** if you need assistance with downloading and deploying the build.

Critical Things To Do When Deploying A Build

- Study all newsletters applicable to the builds you have missed since the last time you deployed a build and act on any things you need to do before or after deploying this build.
- Backup the data.
- Ensure that all modules are closed on all workstations. Use the EduAdmin Network Manager (EDUNWK.exe) to automatically check the status of workstations and shut down modules if necessary.
- Note the build number. After deploying the latest build, go to Help (in any module) About EduAdmin and verify that the build number corresponds with the build number indicated at the top of the Release Notes document. This will confirm that you have correctly deployed the latest build.
- Ensure that all users know how to run Slipstream.
- **The latest Dot Net install sets must be deployed as well when deploying the latest build**

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Code Interpretation

There are now many parts to the EduAdmin build. In order to specify where the enhancements or patch has taken place we will in future be using the following codes:

- **DT** - The Desktop. These are the binaries [compiled executables] that will run on a computer
- **DN** - Dot Net. These are the web server binaries [compiled executables] that run on a central server [computer] and are accessed from anywhere in the world through a web browser
- **MB** - Dot Net Mobile. These are the web server binaries [compiled executables] that run on a central server [computer] and are accessed from anywhere in the world from any mobile device through a web browser
- **DB** - The Dashboard
- **GC** - The Global Communicator

Lurits

SITA has informed us that their POP Interface Processor Engine will not work if the workstation needs to do authentication when going onto the internet.

Assessment

- Patched Staff Grade Number standard report.
- Included a further nine mark limits and colours in Subject Maxima housekeep file.
- Included two new subject sequences. The selection as to which one to use has been included in the Report Marks report type in Report Designer. Use the different sequences to provide schedules with different sequences for management, the department and staff.
- Included Commendations for Column A in Report Marks report type in Report Designer.
- Included Language Code, Language Description, Language Medium Code and Language Medium Description in Report Marks report type in Report Designer.

Financial

- Included Prior Year 8. Remember to download this build before performing a year end.

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Utilities

- Included Copy **HOUSEKEEP** Class Next Year to **HOUSEKEEP** Class This Year.

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Lurits

We have been given the green light to start with 2011 uploads to LURITS. Please take note that because of many changes in the software if you have already done one upload you will be required to use the latest build. Please contact us to book for assistance with your upload. When booking please confirm if your school has previously done an upload using EduAdmin or not.

- It is very important to start attending to the ECA and Assessment External Codes for LURITS as it would appear that they are going to be requested later this year
- All EduAdmin schools must email their LURITS number to support@eduadmin.com at least two weeks prior to their first upload for registration with LURITS
- Make sure that the "Use Interface" button is dealt with in the Staff and Student Module before the LURITS upload
- Please refer to the RELEASE NOTES below for more fields that need to be maintained

Further enhancements are in progress to deal with the logistics of the transfers in, transfers out and biographical updates.

Global Communicator

The Global Communicator has been included in the Communications section of the new Dashboard. If you did not attend the recent you will need assistance setting it up. Please contact us to book a trainer to assist you at your school.

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Bulletin Board

We covered the usage of the Bulletin Board in the workshops. We have welcomed the tremendous suggestions and added value that followed which we are including before January when you will be able to implement it. It effectively replaces all third party attempts such as School Communicator. You cannot implement it without some brief but significant technical training.

Password Generator

The release of the password generator is imminent.

Desktop

Most of our focus is on including in the web portals all the functionality we currently have on the desktop. Please note that the desktop will not be deprecated. We will be demonstrating the web portals during the workshops and the new web manager that allows you to use one port.

Mark Sets [Spreadsheets]

We have introduced the New Mark sets at the workshops. There were many suggestions that are being implemented. We are busy with the final notes that we will get to those who attended the workshops at our soonest.

Document Manager

We have restricted the maximum size of scanned and imported documents to 300kb. This is purely for purposes of reasonability. Users must be encouraged to keep their stored documents as small as possible. You can set the size in the new Document Manager Parameter settings file in Utilities. While we have currently limited the size to 300kb there is no technical limit to this in the database. If there is a convincing need to increase it we will allow this in future builds.

The best practice of the Document Manager was demonstrated at the workshops. There are many areas where it is now being used and there were very many good suggestions of its usage. Please take careful note of how to use it in future newsletters.

Web Portals

The Web Portals have been rewritten to be compatible with the Web Manager which we released this week. We are continuing with the separate ports as well. You can decide which method of rendering you prefer. If you are using any of the Web Portals contact the support desk before deploying this build

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Financial

Users of the financial module are reminded to download this build or later before performing a year end. A Prior Year 8 has been included. After deploying the build edit all the fiscal periods and ensure that all fields are populated with valid data. You can use the automate button to fill the fields in. Remember that the automation is based on the data in the next year fields.

New Functionality Implementation

A great deal of functionality has been included over the last few months. Do not attempt to implement the new bulletin board, web portals or mark sets without training. Those who attended the workshops are reminded that each school represented has three free hours of training and implementation.