

DIGITAL JOURNEY FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

PRIMARY and SECONDARY SCHOOLS



ONLINE PROGRAMMES TO HELP COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

Many of you are enjoying the user friendly online digital programmes which support the administration functions within your child's school. If you are not currently using these programmes, this leaflet will help explain what the programmes do and how we can assist you with gaining access to them. By using these programmes, it helps you save time and removes the possibility of documents being lost, along with supporting the environment by less paper being used. You can also access these programmes 7 days per week x 24 hours a day.

The main digital programmes connected to the school office are as follow:

parentsportal.scot What does it do?

This programme enables you to:

- Update your address and contact details
- Review the Annual Data Check which contains personal details about your child
- Sign Permission Slips electronically
- Make online booking for Parents Evenings (Primary Schools only)
- View your child's attendance
- View your child's timetable
- View the school calendar
- Report your child's Absence
- Free Bus Travel application - NEC – National Entitlement Card – for Primary Schools only – (For Secondary pupils please see overleaf)
- Access to key info e.g. Period Dignity

How can you access it?

You must have a My Gov Account and you can find out more information in the links below. There are two ways to access:

- You can access Parents Portal by clicking [here](#) or
- There is an app you can download on the app stores below:

[IOS](#) [ANDROID](#)



ParentPay What does it do?

This is a user-friendly online payment system which enables you to support your child's all round experiences at school. You can:

- Pay for trips and activities
- Provide permission for participation
- Monitor transaction history
- Pay for school meals
- Top up your account

How can you access it?

You can learn more about accessing the Parent Pay service by clicking [here](#)



groupcall
Messenger

What does it do?

Groupcall is the main communication tool now used by schools and parents/carers. It provides direct communication with your child's school by using text messaging, email and the Xpressions app.

In order to enjoy the benefits of Groupcall, please ensure you provide your full email address to your child's school.

This package means you can easily respond to communications from the school.

How can you access it?

For the Xpressions app, parents can quickly access and easily download the app to their IOS or Android mobile via the links below. Parents can login using the email and mobile number stored for your child in the school's database. Parents can then keep track of all their children's activities, even if they go to different schools.

[IOS](#) [ANDROID](#)

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Travel Card – for Secondary School Pupils (NEC)

The national entitlement card allows young people under the age of 22 years old to access bus travel for free. You can apply for the National Entitlement Card (NEC) by clicking [here](#)
