



Cloud School Parent App

Release Notes

Version 1.2

An overview of features
included in this release

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Introducing Cloud School

Parent App v1.2

Cloud School Parent App v1.2 is scheduled for release on 12th March 2021 and includes the following benefits.

Key Benefits:

Today's Attendance: a new widget to show Roll Call and/or Lesson Attendance for the current date on the Home screen.

Behaviour: the name of the person logging the behaviour event is now displayed.

Documents: the name of the "Documents" section has been changed to "Letters and Reports"

Ionic Update: an essential update to the Ionic platform.

Bug Fixes and Minor Enhancements

What's new

Here is a summary of the features that are available with Cloud School Parent App v1.2

Today's Attendance

NEW

A new widget to display Roll Call and/or Lesson Attendance for the current day. You can choose whether to show or hide this widget; if you choose to show it, the settings you have for the Roll Call and Lesson Attendance will be applied here too. [Read More »](#)

Behaviour

NEW

The name of the person who created a behaviour event will now be displayed in More Details. [Read More »](#)

Documents

NEW

The widget formerly known as Documents has been renamed to "Letters and Reports" to make more sense to parents. [Read More »](#)

Platform Update

NEW

There has been an essential update to the Ionic Platform used by the app; this has impacted every screen and some UI improvements are noticeable. [Read More »](#)

Release Advisory

This section contains app advice, workarounds, and changes to system requirements.

ADVICE

There are no release advisories for 1.2

A closer look

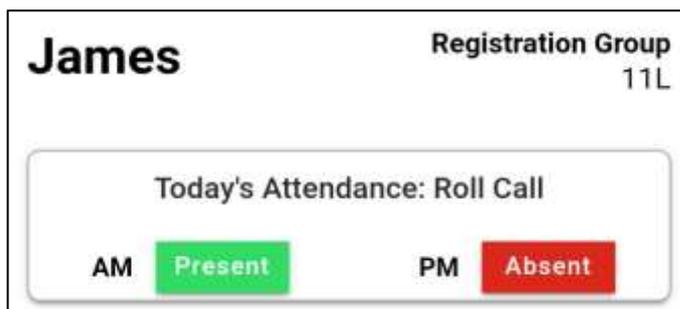
This section provides extended information on key features in Parent App v1.2

Today's Attendance

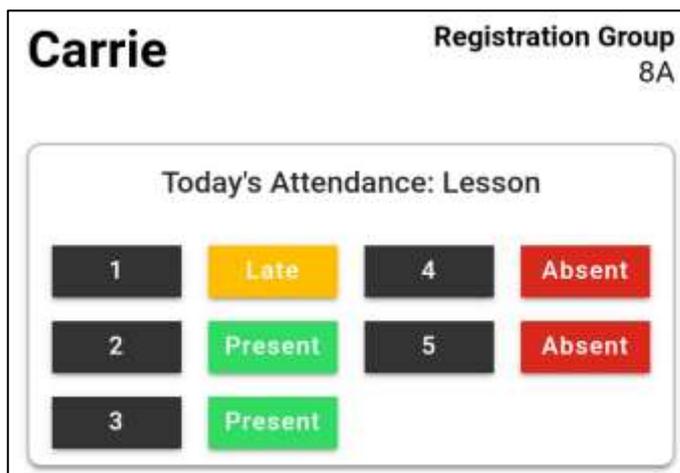
An optional new widget to display attendance for the current day is now available for the Home screen. It is possible to show or hide the widget as a whole by allowing access to a particular functionality for the API.

If you have chosen to display Roll Call Attendance in the app then Roll Call data will be displayed in the Today's Attendance widget. If you have chosen to display Lesson Attendance in the app then Lesson Attendance data will be displayed in the Today's Attendance widget.

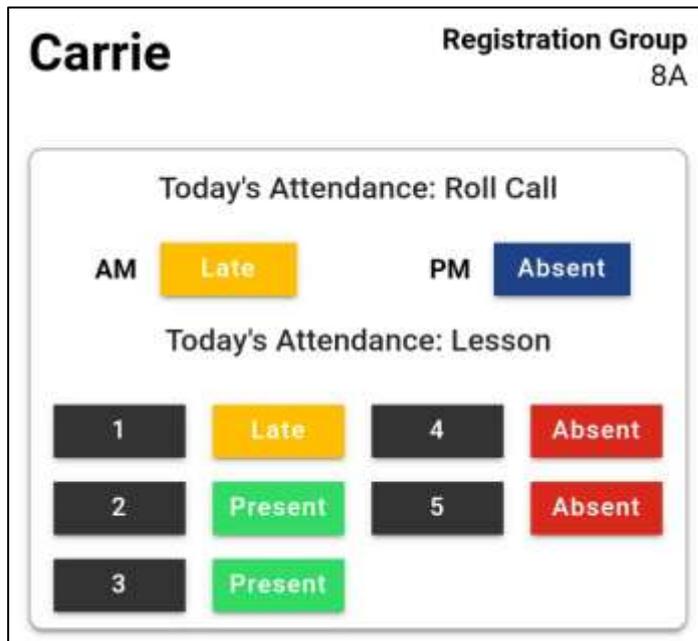
If you are not showing roll call or lesson attendance data then you should not display this widget either as it will be empty without roll call or lesson attendance data.



Only displaying Roll Call Attendance



Only displaying Lesson Attendance



Displaying both Roll Call and Lesson Attendance

Present marks will be displayed with a green background	
Late marks will be displayed with a yellow background	
Unauthorised Absences will be displayed with a red background	
Authorised Absences will be displayed with a blue background	
Roll Call marks yet to be taken will be displayed with a grey background	
The period label will be displayed for Lessons – lessons will only appear as and when they have an attendance mark associated	

If a user clicks on the Roll Call Attendance area of the widget they will be redirected to the Roll Call Attendance More Details screen. If a user clicks on the Lesson attendance area of the widget they will be redirected to the Lesson Attendance More Details screen.

Show or Hide

You should check the status of the API permission that determines whether to show or hide the new widget **before the new version is released** as it's likely it is checked by default.

- Select **System | Manage Companies Access**
- Select **Mobile Parent App** and click **Edit**
- Locate **Attendance Target**
- If Attendance Target is selected, the Today's Attendance widget will be displayed
- If Attendance Target is not selected, the Today's Attendance widget will be hidden
- If you make a change, click **Save**

See Appendix 1 below for more detail on managing companies access and the required functionalities.

Behaviour

The name of the person who created a behaviour event will now be displayed in more details when the event is expanded. The format for this is first character of staff Forename and staff Surname.



Documents

The widget formerly known as Documents has been renamed on both the Home screen and in More Details.

Following user feedback it is now called 'Letters and Reports' as this aligns more closely to what is being made available at this time.



Platform Updates

The Ionic platform used for the apps has had some essential updates applied. This has impacted all screens of the app and it has freshened up the appearance of some, however, overall users should not notice a big difference.

Bug & Minor Defect Fixes

- **Timetable** – lessons with a status of ‘Cancelled’ in ILM are no longer displayed on the timetable views in the app.
- **Login** – all versions of apostrophes in usernames are now accepted when logging in with an iOS device.
- **Login** – the Username is now retained if a login fails.
- **Letters & Reports** – a spelling error in the text which appears if no documents are available has been corrected.
- **Attendance** – Roll Call Codes are now used rather than the Code ID to prevent the app timing out and failing to initially load Documents in some cases.

Appendix 1 – API Functionalities Reminder

As this release involves managing companies access, we thought it a pertinent time to put in a reminder of the access required. Original release notes advised enabling all functionalities and removing only those which would hide the data you did not wish to display; however, it can be refined further to remove the functionalities not being used if required. The core and optional functionalities are listed below.

The core functionalities required for the Learner App are different to those required for the Contact App so if using both, please use the correct release notes.

Note: only “View” permission is required.

The following core functionalities are required to allow contacts to:

- log in
- sync data
- view associated learners
- view school details
- view their own details

These functionalities should always be set to View.

Functionality Name	Required?
Academic Year	Yes
Contact	Yes
Learner	Yes
Learner Attendance	Yes
Learner Contact Relationship	Yes

The following optional functionalities are required to display data if required:

If permission is being granted, signed-in contacts will need to log out back in to see the data. If a permission is being removed, signed-in contacts will be forced to log out and back in.

Note, removing "Attendance Target" permission for the Today's Attendance widget won't force signed-in contacts to log out but the widget won't be removed until the next time they log out and back in.

Functionality Name	Required?
Behaviour Entry	Optional. Enable both of these functionalities to display published behaviour data
Behaviour Event	
RollCall Attendance	Optional. Enable this functionality to display roll call attendance data
Lesson Attendance	Optional. Enable this functionality to display lesson attendance data
Attendance Target	Optional. Enable this functionality to display the new today's attendance widget - note, this widget also requires the RollCall Attendance and/or Lesson Attendance functionalities to be available.
Timetable	Optional. Enable this functionality to display timetable data
DocumentStorage	Optional. Enable this functionality to display any documents the contact has permission to view

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