



CASE STUDY:

Uplands Primary School and Nursery, UK

240
Students

9,600+
Forms sent

A 'revolution' in Berkshire

Uplands Primary School and Nursery opened in 1962 in Sandhurst, Berkshire, UK. A National Teaching School, Uplands is lead school of the Forest Learning Alliance and holds an Outstanding rating from Ofsted.

Led by change maker and Head Teacher Phil Sherwood, Uplands began using EdSmart in early 2016 as their first foray into digital transformation. Like many schools Uplands historically relied on paper processes for managing activities, education outside the classroom, surveys and more. Running these processes end-to-end, including chasing paperwork replies and manual transcription and aggregation of data, was depleting to staff capacity, wellbeing and the bottom line.

Since rolling out EdSmart, Uplands report they have "broken the communication barrier" between staff, parents and students. The school has reduced costs; from printing budgets, to staffing needs in the administration department. They have seen parental and student engagement increase, and stakeholders report a 'slicker' system that improves their experience and ease of engaging with the school community.

The automation of data capture and aggregation have also proved invaluable for Uplands, offering new reporting and insights that have helped them augment activities programming to drive better outcomes, while reducing – rather than adding to – teacher workload.



50+
Staff

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“The EdSmart vision is absolutely right for schools. Our school has saved time, effort and real budgetary costs, while getting back new efficiency and insights. I'm proud to be a UK EdSmart user and a member of their Smart School community. It has definitively revolutionised our communications and operations, making my life and my staff's lives significantly easier. It's easy for educators to get cynical about technology after many disappointments, but I can attest that EdSmart is the real deal and it's worth your time to explore how it could help your school.”

- Phil Sherwood, Head Teacher,
Uplands Primary School and Nursery

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