

CASE STUDY - EDUCATION

Learning through experience

In the education community, this Academy is not too different to others in their sector. They have grown through student achievement and tight control of their budget. As other schools can struggle in these areas, the experience of an Academy often attracts schools to join the group, delivering flexible management of resources and benefits outcomes all round.

ICT has become the hub of learning and the management of the technology resources is vital to success. With the range of student age, as the student progress through school, they have greater needs from the IT equipment. Having sufficient devices of the right specification, puts stress on the ICT budget. Engaging Ego early provided a strategy to ease this load by working smarter.

In the past, schools have purchased equipment at the lowest possible initial cost, with the minimum specification that was suitable. This is not always the lowest lifetime cost of the equipment.

Based on the existing estate it was clear that the older students needed better equipment than they were currently using. It was decided that there would be a technology cascade. This is where the less demanding students would receive the devices used by their older peers, and the older students would use new equipment.

The exercise worked well with the retired devices being collected by Ego to carry out data sanitisation and being sold for reuse which put valuable funds back to the IT budget. This solved the performance needs and kept the cost affordable.

AT A GLANCE

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- Students to have the resources required within a restricted budget
- The Academy to refresh devices for their students
- Devices to be fully sanitised
- The Academy to remain GDOR compliant

Options that were made available that included data wiping of devices before they were passed down or sent to another school location. The wipe includes a test of the device, to identify components that were close to, or had failed. This reduced the frequency of failure in service.

Affected devices were retired with the very old machines. Ego also provided a pathway for the Academy to sell devices early so that they could achieve optimum revenues.



OUTCOMES

- The Academy uses cascading of ICT to ensure that student have the resources they require from a restricted budget.
- There was a reduction in equipment failures from the older devices. This saved technician time as well as maintaining a high availability for the students.
- All devices were collected by Ego Technology and were fully sanitised at our dedicated technology centre.
- The Academy remained GDPR compliant.
- Furthermore, audits and certification and tracking were provided through a dedicated online portal Genesis+.
- With addition revenues from retiring devices, the Academy was able to refresh more laptops and IT for their students.



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