

# Class Calendar Release Notes

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This release focusses on data access and database integration. It also carries some minor functional additions and performance enhancements.

## New Functionality ...

### ***Improved Performance***

Class Calendar is now much faster when generating sorted lists of, for example, classes for a particular course and month. We will continue to improve in this area.

### ***Web Services Preview***

We're presenting a preview version of data access for Class Calendar. This functionality makes it possible to upload or download your school data. The preview version gives access to customer data; subsequent versions will give access to staff, orders, and diary records.

The new access point allows for retrieval of data from Class Calendar, and updates to Class Calendar, in either comma-separated values (CSV) or extensible markup language (XML). CSV is suited to desktop tools such as Excel or Outlook, while XML is suited to automated client systems - typically written in Java or Microsoft .NET languages.

More information is available at:

<http://www.classcalendar.biz/support/webservices.html>

We are currently experimenting with techniques for importing data directly from Outlook to Class Calendar. Please call us for more information if you need to do this.

### ***Postcodes***

It is now possible to search for customers using postcodes - this is particularly useful for schools with very large numbers of UK-based customers. To make this work well, Class Calendar now validates postcodes when they are entered in any address form.

### ***Course Entry Requirements***

The entry requirements field in the create course / update course is no longer obligatory. If no entry requirements are given, the field is not displayed when courses are listed.

## Bug Fixes ...

### ***Duplicating Classes***

A display problem existed if 'add another' was applied to a class containing a cancelled section. This has been fixed - if you 'add another' class based on a cancelled class, the new class has no cancelled sections.

### ***File Upload Validation***

The server application now checks the suffixes of files being uploaded, and rejects files of an inappropriate type. This is relevant to school details / graphics and web services views.

### ***Course Names***

In rare cases, a bug could cause an incorrect warning message to the effect that a new or updated course had the same name as an existing course. This has been fixed.

### ***Course Display Order***

In some cases, attempting to change the display order of a course did not work correctly. This has been fixed.

### ***Invalid Email Addresses***

A problem could occur where a customer entered an invalid email address and subsequently placed an order. This has been fixed, as far as we have been able to test.

## Forthcoming Functionality ...

Apologies for the late running of this service ...

### ***Cash Vouchers***

Cash vouchers will extend the current voucher functionality, to enable vouchers of a specific monetary value to be redeemed on orders for any course. Issuing of cash vouchers will be performed in a similar manner to the existing course vouchers.

Customer self-service of vouchers will follow, after the completion of cash voucher functionality.