

Oliver v5 engages students and helps schools deliver educational excellence



Hear it from Oliver v5 users...

The teaching staff have all been very enthusiastic and positive about Oliver and using it to support teaching and learning, it is being seen as a way to modernise the library journey.

Oliver is very easy for our pupils to use, they can find books and resources so much more quickly from anywhere in the school. With home page customisations, book carousels and embedded videos the library seems so much more exciting and interactive for pupils.

Sue Wray Director of Library & Learning Resources
Uppingham School, UK

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The first immediate and obvious change after launching Oliver v5, was a dramatic increase in students searching the catalogue. This change has been ongoing and is undoubtedly in response to searches being more successful and a search screen that is visually engaging because of its design. Syndetics also enabled a far more comprehensive display of cover images and further information. This engagement is now further enhanced with the tiled presentation of search results.

Maria Pepe-Micholos, Teacher Librarian
St Michael's College, AU

With Oliver v5 we can provide the whole school community with efficient and effective access to resources, including integrated eResources.

Di Ruffles, Teacher Librarian
Melbourne Grammar School, AU

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The Google preview and student book review options in Oliver v5 have been brilliant for engaging the students in reading. It has given them ownership of the system because they can see their name, and their friend's names, against the reviews.

Nicola Farmer, Head of Library Services
St Margaret's and Berwick Grammar Schools, AU

Your recent webinar on the new look Search was really useful. We look forward to promoting this to increase engagement with our students.

Susan Parr, LRC Manager
Brentside High School, UK

I think the new look will appeal to the students – they are familiar with the format and hopefully they will engage with their library searches!

Clare Adamson, Librarian
Hereford Cathedral School, UK

They love going in, experimenting, looking for books and links that sort of thing. It's quite hard to get them off Oliver, really. I think they're well and truly hooked!

Richie Steven, Teacher Librarian
British School in Tokyo, JAP

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Oliver is user friendly and offers enormous functionality for our educational community.

Maureen Twomey, Teacher Librarian
Assisi Catholic College, AU

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We wanted a 21st century, web-based product that could be integrated with our learning management systems and offer a more contemporary educational experience.

Trish Webster, Library Manager
Rangitoto College, NZ

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Staff have responded well to Oliver v5, they really enjoy the fact that I am uploading pictures of the books and resources so when they search they can see what the book looks like at a glance. I would definitely advise other schools to buy Oliver v5 for their school, I think it is a great resource.

Jenny Ruthenberg, Teacher Aide
Claremont Special School, AU

I've seen a vast improvement in the independence of students when using the library. Instead of relying on staff to locate books for them they use Oliver v5, searching by key words or topics. They are also discovering more with accurate search results and visibility of all resources available related to their search.

Sarah Lodge, Librarian
Feversham College, UK

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We find that having Oliver v5 enables us to really deliver educational outcomes for our students.

Kay Oddone, Librarian, Resource Link,
Brisbane Catholic Education, AU

Overall the system is more streamlined and effective and the web interface is engaging. With the refurbishment of the library, the upgrade to Oliver v5 and the addition of the eBooks our students are re-engaging with books and reading more.

Leanne White, Deputy Principal
Landsdale Primary School, AU

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The thing I like best about Oliver is that it can be used on so many different levels. A beginner can just use the basic parts of the system, but as you get more confident you can add further functions, until you are able to customise the system for your own use and your library and school.

Ginette Doyle, Past Librarian
Cheltenham College, UK

Oliver and Orbit are helping us to engage students in the library. Children as young as the Year 1's are walking in, with no words, picking up an iPad, opening Orbit and going and finding a book on their own ... that's priceless.

Sheila O'Callaghan, Teacher Librarian
Our Lady of Good Counsel, AU

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We are so glad we made the change, Oliver v5 really suits our needs and has made a positive impact on library services.

Anette Ainsworth, Head of Library
Hale School, AU

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So far, so good. In fact it's all going great. The kids are enjoying the new format that Oliver v5 provides. We couldn't be happier at Apollo Parkways.

Angela Brajkovic, Library Technician
Apollo Parkways Primary School, AU

I chose Oliver as I recognised the potential in a web based LMS in the context of a secondary school, offering pupils the opportunity for remote access to the OPAC, weblinks and also their personal accounts from home.

Rosalind Buckland, Librarian
Ripley St Thomas C of E Academy, UK

We were seeking to work with professionals who understood not only the library software, but the role of libraries, their technology, and the library catalogue in a school environment.

Robyn Markus-Sandgren, Library Manager
St Hilda's School, AU

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We now use Oliver to catalogue Learning Support Equipment such as Laptops, Dictaphones, and text-reading equipment, for use by Students who need extra support, or may have a disability. It really is opening up new horizons for us and the College.

Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, UK

Oliver v5 generates notifications to alert students by email that a reserved item is waiting for them. Excited students have sometimes turned up minutes after the notification is sent! I also like the fact that the students can set up profiles to be alerted about new titles.

Colleen Shipley, Library Manager
Marlborough Girls' College, NZ

