

Customer Case: Kingswood School, Bath

Kingswood School Simplifies Email Security and Strengthens IT Efficiency with EasyEntra



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EasyEntra brings."*

Andrew Francomb
Director of IT
Kingswood School, Bath

ABOUT KINGSWOOD SCHOOL, BATH

Kingswood School, Bath, is a co-educational independent day and boarding school for children aged 9 months to 18 years.

With a strong reputation for nurturing individual potential, delivering outstanding pastoral care, and maintaining a broad curriculum, Kingswood combines tradition with innovation to create a vibrant learning community where academic excellence and personal growth go hand in hand.

CAUGHT IN LEGACY COMPLEXITY

As a flourishing educational institution with both day and boarding students, Kingswood School faced increasing demands for secure, scalable email communications.

The IT team recognized the ongoing unnecessary complexity, maintenance burden, and potential security risks introduced by their on-premises Exchange Server.

They sought a modern, cloud-aligned solution that would streamline administration, improve security, and reduce on-premises dependencies - all while supporting a seamless experience for staff and students.

WHY EASYENTRA?

Kingswood School evaluated several options and selected EasyEntra based on its intuitive interface, ease of use, and secure design.

"The decision was driven by the need for a simple, secure solution that freed the IT team from maintaining complex infrastructure," says Andrew Francomb.

Intuitive and easy to use: From the start, the IT team found the platform straightforward, allowing them to focus on supporting teaching and learning rather than managing infrastructure. *"It's incredibly easy to navigate,"* Andrew Francomb adds.

Security-driven: Removing the on-premises Exchange Server was a key priority - reducing risk and simplifying administration.

Seamless integration: EasyEntra fits perfectly into the existing Microsoft environment with minimal setup.

QUICK SETUP, IMMEDIATE VALUE

Deployment was smooth and efficient. EasyEntra integrated seamlessly into the school's existing environment and required minimal setup. Within a few weeks, the IT team successfully retired their on-premises Exchange Server.

According to Andrew Francomb, this swift transition *"transformed the way we manage email across the school,"* proving the immediate value of EasyEntra in everyday operations.

Staff quickly adopted the intuitive interface of EasyEntra, using clear workflows for provisioning, de-provisioning, and enforcing security policies.

The result: a significant reduction in management overhead and improved confidence in the school's overall security posture.

Key Benefits:

Simplified Infrastructure: Removal of the on-premises component reduced both complexity and attack surface.

Enhanced Security: Fewer moving parts and less reliance on legacy systems.

Faster User Onboarding: Quicker provisioning for new staff and students.

Reduced IT Workload: Freed time for higher-value educational technology projects.

Ease of Use: An intuitive platform that required minimal training and empowered the IT team from day one.

Improved Resilience: Greater operational agility and reliability across the school.

BUILT ON SECURITY, BACKED BY SUPPORT

Kingswood School has experienced no security concerns during deployment or in daily operations.

EasyEntra operates as a standalone client-side tool, communicating directly between the on-premises environment and Microsoft's cloud services. This ensures that credentials and data never leave the organization's control. When questions arise, EasyEntra's responsive support team provides quick and effective assistance through brief online sessions.

"I'm genuinely delighted with how quickly the new solution came online and how it has transformed the way we manage email across the school.

EasyEntra is incredibly easy to use and allowed us to retire our on-premises Exchange Server, significantly strengthening our security – a major step forward for Kingswood."

- Andrew Francomb



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COST AND VALUE

Andrew Francomb notes that *"EasyEntra provides excellent value for money with a transparent pricing model and minimal indirect costs. Installation took only minutes, and no additional infrastructure was needed, delivering a cost-effective, future-ready solution for the school's IT operations."*

A PERFECT FIT FOR EDUCATION IT

Kingswood School considers EasyEntra an ideal match for their IT environment - a secure, efficient tool that aligns perfectly with the school's commitment to operational excellence and safeguarding data.

RECOMMENDATION

"We highly recommend EasyEntra to other schools and education providers looking to simplify their email systems, enhance security, and give their IT teams more time to focus on supporting teaching and learning," says Andrew Francomb.

Annual License Includes:

Unlimited Installations and IT Admins: The license includes unlimited installations and access for all IT team members, enabling efficient collaboration without extra costs.

Comprehensive Support and Upgrades: The license covers unlimited support and regular updates, ensuring the tool remains up-to-date with evolving Microsoft 365 requirements.

No Additional Infrastructure Needed: EasyEntra operates as a client-side tool, eliminating the need for costly infrastructure investments.

Contact EasyEntra for more information and get a free 30-day trial.

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