

Education Brochure

Leading School ICT Specialists

Adept Education, formerly ACS, has worked with education providers for more than 15 years and it's that knowledge and experience that sets us apart from other ICT specialists.

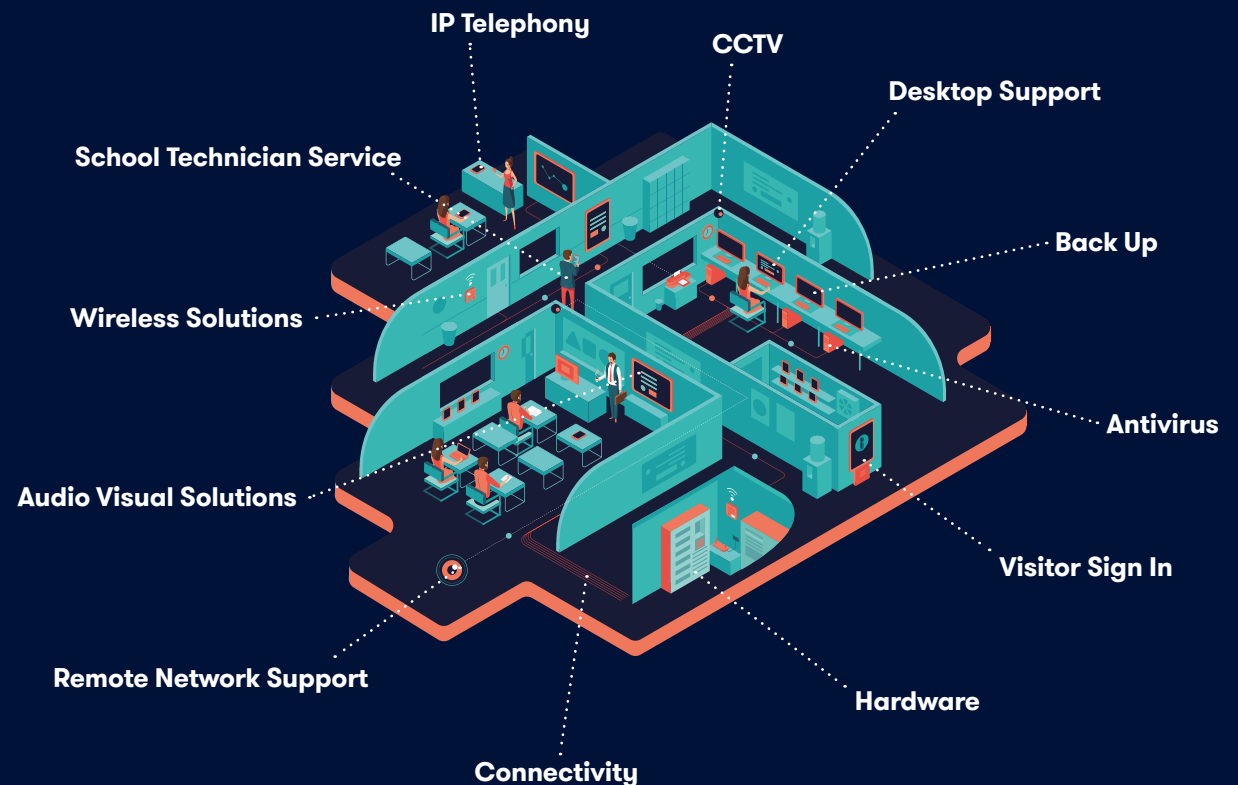
Our highly skilled engineers, support teams and consultants work closely with over 500 education providers across the country of which we offer fully managed ICT packages to delivering best practice, at competitive prices with peace of mind.

AdEPT Education has built a renowned reputation for being an industry leader in providing ICT solutions to education providers across the region.

It is this adjoined with our highly skilled team and unrivalled technology knowledge that sets us apart from our competitors.

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AdEPT Education assessed what systems we had in place, listened to our requirements and came straight back with a proposal to propel our ICT systems forward.



Meet some of the Education Team



Kevin McEwen
Managing Director



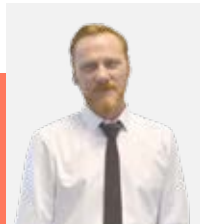
James McEwen
Education Senior Technical IT Consultant



Brian Dangerfield
Education Structured Cabling & AV Manager



Karen McCarthy
SIMS Support Officer



Sel Acton
Education Quality Assurance Manager



Nik Geen
SharePoint & Office 365 Specialist



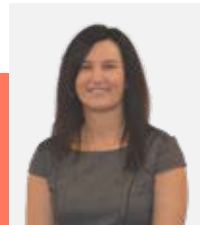
Matt Spooner
Technical Manager



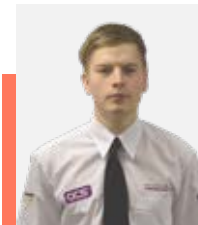
Beth Oldfield
Office Manager



Chris Oliver
Education Account Manager



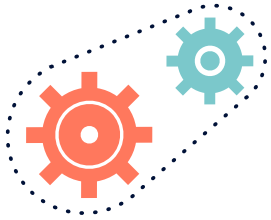
Lynn Edson
Education Customer Liaison Officer



Simon Lund
Helpdesk Supervisor



Mandy Eyre
SIMS Support Manager



Managed ICT

We fully understand the importance of good ICT support in schools, not only for day to day administration and efficient management but for the effective delivery of the ICT curriculum.

A 'managed ICT service' with AdePT Education guarantees that your IT systems will be monitored and kept in the best health possible. We start with a health check, take a look at your existing infrastructure and then plan and implement from there. AdePT Education gives each school its own dedicated key account manager and IT engineer.

A strategy will be put in place along with a timeline. The engineer will have scheduled dates to complete each task, making sure the schools can concentrate time on teaching and learning.

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**AdePT Education
were more than an
installation team - they
helped us budget, gave
advice and ensure we
got the best technology
on the market for a very
competitive price.**

Ian Knight, Leeds College of Building

Benefits

- Reduced costs
- Anti-virus monitoring
- Educational software device
- E-filtering
- Backup management
- Daily troubleshooting
- Installation of hardware
- ICT development for teaching staff
- Microsoft certified
- CRB checked engineers
- Access to latest technology
- Ability to focus on teaching
- Flexible weekly/fortnightly visits
- Regular systems back ups
- Dedicated Account Manager

Case study

Hilltop Primary School

Hilltop Primary originally contacted AdePT Education after facing a number of ICT issues. Staff were frequently getting frustrated with slow loading times, lack of access to websites and reactive rather than proactive ICT engineers.

We initially investigated problematic areas and then embarked on a full system analysis after speaking with senior management to fully understand the school's ICT aspirations.

Installing an alternative internet service was our initial

project, to ensure the school could be more in control of its ICT. The download speed was increased and allowed a number of devices to all work at the same time at a fast pace. Implementation of a controlled filtering system followed, allowing access to previously blocked websites and online content.

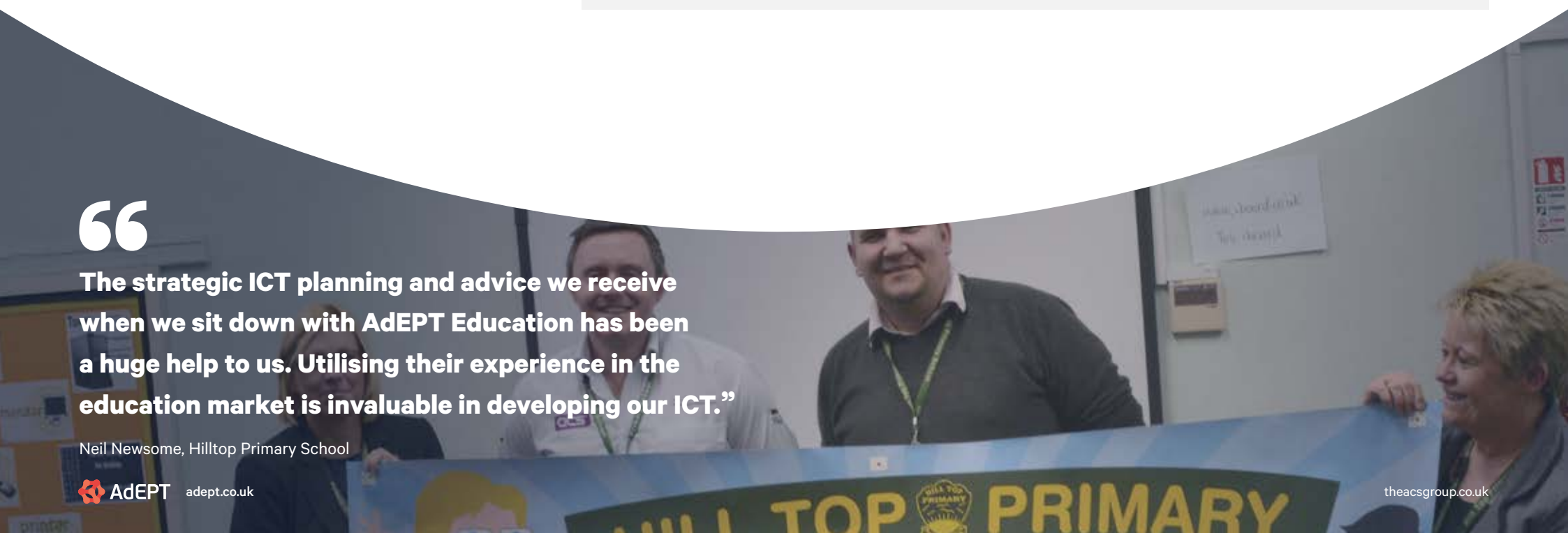
Client results

- Created a structured roadmap to continue to deliver proactive ICT solutions
- Upgraded download speed from 2mb to 50mb
- Improved accessibility to previously blocked sites
- Improved morale and better engagement between teachers and children
- Confidence installed with new products and systems through training
- Future-proofed the ICT for the foreseeable future
- Increased ICT usability
- Dedicated engineer

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The strategic ICT planning and advice we receive when we sit down with AdePT Education has been a huge help to us. Utilising their experience in the education market is invaluable in developing our ICT.”

Neil Newsome, Hilltop Primary School



Case study

Edlington Victoria Primary School

Edlington Victoria Primary was placed in Special Measures by Ofsted in September 2015 and Beryce Nixon the newly appointed Executive Head was tasked with turning the school around.

Edlington Victoria Primary School's ICT systems were outdated – the smart boards were in fact over 15 years old. AdEPT Education put together a fully costed ICT roadmap, including the installation of Clevertouch Plus 65" screens in every classroom, a brand new ICT suite including a new curriculum server and Sims server and also new laptops for all staff and new laptops in the curriculum for the children.

Before the Clevertouch screens were installed, pupil learning was very bland and passive and their enthusiasm was poor, with only around 20-30% of pupils completing their homework. With Clevertouch, homework can now be done online which has resulted in 75% of pupils completing it – a huge improvement!

Client results

- Proactive relationship between Edlington Victoria and AdEPT Education
- New engaging ICT equipment
- Confidence with technology thanks to ongoing training
- Dedicated AdEPT Education engineer and team for ongoing support
- Ongoing support and future-proofing of ICT solutions

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AdEPT Education were excellent through the whole process, supporting us throughout and ensuring that everything was implemented on time with very little disruption to the school throughout.”

Beryce Nixon, Edlington Victoria Primary School

ICT development

AdEPT Education specialise in delivering ICT infrastructure projects to schools

Our flexible approach to ICT infrastructure allows for organic growth, nurturing new technology and embracing your legacy equipment, enabling you to make the best use of your ICT budget.

We can also provide end-to-end ICT and networking services including consultation, design, supply, installation, integration and ongoing support for AdEPT Education and third-party equipment. All free as part of your managed service at AdEPT Education.

Full Service Management

Once the solution is authorised, we manage the procurement, delivery and installation process ensuring that everything arrives on time and within budget.

Following the completion of your installation, our team will train your staff to ensure they are fully up to speed leading to no downtime. This alongside our ongoing support ensures that you have a single point of contact for any issues.

- Make best use of ICT budget
- Access to new ICT technology
- Enrich your learning environment
- Effective delivery of school curriculum
- Improved child teacher interaction
- Improved confidence with technology

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AdEPT Education assessed what systems we had in place, listened to our issues and came straight back with a proposal to propel our IT systems forward.

Shaun L'Amie, Greenhill Primary School





There are many schools that select their SIMS support partner based on reliability and responsiveness. We recognise that SIMS support is not just about having highly skilled staff at the end of the phone but equally with you to enhance the power of your system to help you run more efficiently.

The AdePT Education SIMS Support is a truly dedicated service that provides schools with assistance, support and valuable information to ease staff workloads in a busy school office.

The dedicated team will work closely with Senior Management Teams to demonstrate time-saving and effective use of modules to answer the questions OFSTED school inspectors may ask.

The award-winning analysis tool, SIMS Discover, is accessible to provide high performance data analysis of SIMS information quickly and easily.



SIMS benefits

- Dedicated helpdesk
- Knowledgeable team with over 45 years experience
- Remote and onsite support
- Extensive training schedule
- Dedicated web portal
- Annual SIMS health check
- Automatic updates with any DfE changes
- SIMS in the classroom set up
- SIMS upgrades for academies

Multi Academy Trusts

Adept has considerable experience in managing all aspects of ICT support during academy conversions and will work closely with you to create a dedicated plan to meet your specific requirements.



Conversion Management

AdEPT Education will bring its expertise in the education sector to enhance the efficiency of your daily and ongoing activities in the wider context of a Multi-Academy Trust.



Office 365 for MATs

Using a sophisticated set of integrated tools and apps, this software supports and improves collaboration, communication, teaching and learning.



Cloud Transition

Changing from a local server to a cloud-based option could be the best approach for a Multi-Academy Trust as it offers advantages over traditional installations.



SIMS

An effective School Management System will put all the student information you need right at your fingertips.



Web Development for MATs

AdEPT Education can design, build and develop your website to match the school and the Trusts individual needs. We will also ensure we meet all Ofsted requirements for MATs.



FMS

AdEPT Education can inform and update you about legal requirements that govern MATs and help you streamline your budgeting and procedures amongst others.

Trusts and academies are understandably asking ICT specialists a lot of questions just now. Here are a few examples:

Is the cloud right for us?

Switching from a server to a Cloud-based system is becoming easier as well-known providers are increasingly offering this relatively new service. It can be accessed remotely and is particularly useful in supporting collaboration between organisations making it highly suited to the academy model of education.

How can external ICT help MATs to raise standards?

Using the specially developed SIMS – Schools Information Management System – will transform your monitoring and reporting systems by analysing the data you choose to record. It can be applied to various elements of school life, for example, to track student behaviour, punctuality, performance and progress and identify areas for improvement.

How can academies stay safe online?

It's more important than ever to ensure that the well-documented risks, particularly among young people, of being online are minimised by putting appropriate internet security measures in place. Social media, internet forums and websites can potentially present serious dangers and schools are acknowledged as being particularly susceptible to these risks.

Case study

Beeston Primary School

It was approaching the end of the year and Beeston Primary School was evaluating its current ICT Provision. They decided they wanted to step up the external support they received so went out to tender for the contract.

After a meeting with Beeston Primary School's senior leadership team and conducting a site survey to look at what ICT software/hardware was in place, AdePT Education provided a detailed report showing how they could assist with future proofing the education provider's ICT.

In the midst of the digital age, the school opted for the installation of three 65" Clevertouch screens in their year six classrooms, additional engineer support from one day a week to two and most recently a network upgrade that included two new servers and wireless hub.

Client results

- Proactive relationship with AdePT Education
- An ongoing strategic plan to ensure effective delivery of future projects
- Confidence with technology thanks to ongoing training
- An additional (external) support team
- Dedicated AdePT Education engineer and team for ongoing support
- Use of the Helpdesk email for efficient problem registering and solving
- Wireless Hub to assist with iPad learning
- Ongoing Road Mapping for continuous developments
- Implemented procedures making staff roles easier

“Since we appointed AdePT Education as our new ICT support, we have been extremely happy with the work they have now completed. They have fully accommodated our needs and enhanced our ICT provision, making our jobs easier.”

Val Haney, Beeston Primary School

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Audio Visual Services

Adept have been providing a multitude of interactive screen solutions for engaging learning in the classroom for over 15 years, working with over 5,000 different schools.

When looking for the perfect interactive screen solution for your education establishment, it can be a mine field.

Which is why here at AdEPT we ensure we only work with the very best on the market, offering award winning – interactive technology to aid engaging and exciting education delivery. With our selection of state-of-the-art technology,

we can help you create the ultimate classroom display experience for students and education professionals alike.

As recognised partners to a range of manufacturers, we can ensure we handle the entire project for you, from initial assessment to ordering the technology, full installation and training. Meaning you could be up and running in no time!

DisplayNote
Technologies

 **RUCKUS**
an ARRIS company

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SMART
Technologies

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The professional support and guidance from the AdEPT Education team including our dedicated project manager, Sel, has ensured the process has been positive for us Our children now have access to the technology to engage them in the curriculum and develop their skills.

Davina Summer, Headteacher, Willow Primary School

CLEVERTOUCH

Promethean[™]

Promethean

Introducing the Award-Winning ActivPanel Cobalt 65" 4K – The all-new Promethean ActivPanel is the intelligently-designed, connected hub of the modern classroom.

The award-winning ActivPanel offers the industry's most natural writing experience using the highly accurate InGlass™ technology for teachers and students to collaborate with ease. Powered by an external Android-based Mini PC that creates a captivating, tablet-like experience in the front of the classroom. This unique design enables schools to upgrade the device's performance over time to keep pace with rapid advances in computing technology.

A wireless network plan for implementation will then be presented to the school. Together we will discuss the best options for you that work within your ICT budget.



Intuitive & Ergonomic

The ActivPanel Cobalt delivers an intuitive user experience via the **unified menu** - making it simple, quick and easy to navigate to the most commonly-used apps, content and resources. This also includes Promethean's Instant Whiteboarding app.

Natural writing experience

Understanding the importance of the writing experience, we developed Vellum Writing Technology. Automatically detecting the difference between pen, touch and palm erase, the ActivPanel Cobalt makes writing on the screen truly seamless.

Apps at your fingertips

Introducing the Promethean locker - the go-to place for all your Android apps. It saves time and makes teaching with tech easier by providing a single destination to access, launch and manage apps.

Tested & built for IT Support & Security

The ActivPanel Cobalt has been built from the ground up to integrate into any technology environment reliably, securely and with a teacher-centric design that makes it easy to use. Everything has been purposefully-designed for ongoing enhancements and continuous innovation.

CLEVERTOUCH IMPACT Series™

Design specifically – technology

Designed specifically to meet the needs of the digital and conventional classroom alike, the Clevertouch IMPACT™ series is more than just an interactive touchscreen, it delivers a truly intuitive and collaborative experience.

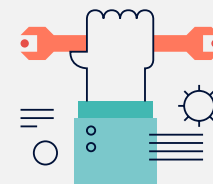
Filled with features to support teaching and learning your way, Clevertouch IMPACT™ offers the solution needed to add value to your lessons and free teachers from the constraints of restrictive, traditional technology.



How IMPACT™ works for your school:



**Save time lesson planning
with subscription free
software**



**Making integration
& installation easier**



**Apps for Blended
Learning**



**High Precision
Technology**



**Screen mirroring
with built-in teacher
controls**



**Send messages, alerts &
media to all of your
Clevertouch screens remotely**



Wireless Solutions

Build your school network using the latest technology

It doesn't matter if we are setting up a new network infrastructure, or replacing an ageing network, we ensure the new systems are designed and implemented to deliver the required educational benefits from day one.

Our technical team consists of project managers, system engineers and senior network consultants. We have experience of installing and managing

hundreds of differently configured ICT environments for a wide range of schools.

Our experts will provide you with a complete wireless networking recommendation – the Basic Site Survey is free of charge. It's more than accessing your network access points; the school will need to provide a scaled floor plan of the site in advance of survey.

Free site survey available

The survey will involve a site visit from one of our experienced engineers. The engineer will view the environment, layout and any existing wireless infrastructure. The engineer will discuss with the school any special deployment requirements, for example:

- High concentration of devices (e.g. school classrooms)
- IPT & voice deployments
- Any other specialist system requiring wireless connectivity

The engineer will also identify any potential wireless trouble areas and conduct a visual review of existing infrastructure which will support the proposed upgrade. A wireless network plan for implementation will then be presented to the school. Together we will discuss the best options for you that work within your ICT budget.



AdEPT Education fully managed wireless

First of all having a sound infrastructure is the foundation of effective ICT. With an AdEPT Education full management wireless service, we make sure that everything is maintained within your control. School internet access can easily be restricted on a user or group level. We can setup a large range of dedicated networks with various permission levels for pupils and staff.

We can also give temporary wireless access for guests and monitor network activity.

Why choose an AdEPT Education wireless solution?

- Sound and reliable ICT infrastructure
- Future proofing your school
- Full training given
- Have confidence in your technology
- Reduce teacher and technology downtime
- Multiple pieces of hardware working together online without effecting upload and download speeds
- Improved morale
- Enhanced hardware for 2nd language students
- Proactive relationships
- Effective delivery of school curriculum
- Install now and pay later

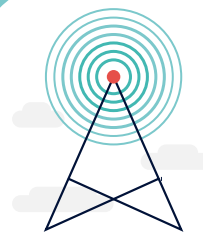
Implementing your new ICT infrastructure?

- We focus on taking a consultative approach and we work closely with our clients to ensure new systems are fully aligned to the school.
- Each implementation is project managed from start to finish, ensuring that all aspects of the installation plan and scope of works have been completed as agreed.
- Over 12 years experience in the ICT infrastructure and implementation arena.
- Industry accredited engineering team with reseller agreements.

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Both Kevin and James from AdEPT Education were excellent through the whole process, supporting us throughout and ensuring that everything was implemented on time with very little disruption on the school.

Beryce Nixon, Edlington Victoria Primary School



AdEPT Education Connectivity and Schools Broadband services includes:

- Onsite FortiGate firewall device for school filtering service
- Nebula hosted virtual firewall (therefore two layers of security)
- Nebula hosted Web Filtering using a best of breed education filtering solution (Netsweeper)
- Solution includes AD integration (this will monitor down to individual log in)
- Managed and supported by AdEPT Education helpdesk service with next business day swap out on hardware.





Network Security

Robust, deep-level security that secures school networks and budgets.

Technology is transforming the learning experience at an unprecedented rate. Educators are bringing these tools into the classroom to improve learning, while administrators are finding new ways to optimize and drive efficiencies throughout their operations.

AdEPT Education deliver secure remote and network access that enables educational institutions to realize the promise of technologically savvy learning environments.

Network security benefits

- Onsite school visits
- Budget developing and planning
- Budget monitoring
- Provide CFR budget monitoring information
- Assistance with monthly returns required by Local Authority
- Preparation of benchmarking information
- Production of best value statement on request
- Maintenance of accounting records
- Support to complete end of year accounts

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We have a high amount of traffic. Our security threats come from outside, but we can also see significant threats from internal users, whether intentional or not...

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Students gain 50% faster and 100% safer access to the internet in and out of school.

Internet Filtering

A powerful tool for education, it is important that children are able to use the internet to help with their learning, and for teachers to help with their teaching. However, it's also essential that vulnerable users are protected from cyber-nasties we don't want our children to see.

Features

- Deny policies across the following four critical categories: criminal skills, extreme, hate speech and weapons
- Dynamic categorisation of web content with billions of URLs categorised including categorisation of new content.
- Web threat identification, monitoring and comprehensive under base reporting
- File type blocking
- eSafety awareness, configurable per-category deny and warning pages
- Protection from phishing sites
- Protection against web threats; malware, spyware viruses, tracking software
- Command & control of instant messaging, webmail and social networking applications.

Strategic partner of London Grid for Learning

AdEPT Education is a strategic partner of London Grid for Learning (LGfL). AdEPT provides services to over 3,500 schools – including the delivery of the largest Microsoft Office 365 deployment in Europe with over 1 million users!

AdEPT's dedicated education team have over 30 years experience providing "designed-for-schools" technology that is simple to use, easy to implement, and budget-friendly. Our award winning range of products and services are used by over 2 millions pupils, staff members and parents / guardians in schools across the UK.

Whatever your IT requirement, we have a best-fit answer.



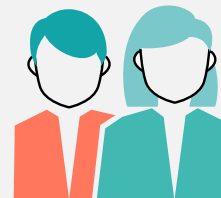
Over
3,500
schools nationwide



Chief technical partner to
LGfL



Over
1 billion
access requests filtered daily



Over
2.2 million
users supported

Email Filtering Mail Protect

In a world where a cyber-attack can have disastrous consequences for business, it's important that proper protection is in place against email threats.

MailProtect is a sophisticated, cloud-hosted, email filtering system that harnesses the combined strength of multiple market-leading technologies (CloudMark, Cyren, SpamHaus, Sophos) to offer protection against email-borne viruses, malware, fraud and phishing, as well as filtering unwanted bulk mail.

Features

- Cloud-hosted management portal
- Daily spam digest reports
- Protects from malware, viruses and phishing
- Helps protect from spam
- Configurable block lists at organisation level
- Helps protect against Denial of Service attacks
- Included support from UK-based service desk

Benefits

- No hardware to buy, manage or maintain on-site making a saving on time and cost
- Reliably 'set and forget' giving added peace of mind and removing additional workload.
- Technology combined from market leading providers giving you the best, most comprehensive protection possible
- Organisations have the control they require over permissions, allowing and disallowing email on their own terms, giving them a solution that works for them
- Works across any business of any size or scale meaning a future-proof solution that can grow as your business does
- Personal, available support as and when you need it

Office 365

Office 365 is the Cloud hosted set of integrated tools and Apps for collaboration, communication, teaching, learning, administration and more.

Office 365 is a modern, flexible and engaging online environment that is helping to transform the use of IT in schools of all kinds. Adept provide a range of specialised services to ensure the best possible implementation of Office 365. We work with schools to plan and deliver solutions that are of immediate benefit and fully sustainable into the future. It doesn't matter if we are setting up a new network infrastructure, or replacing an ageing network, we ensure the new systems are designed and implemented to deliver the required educational benefits from day one.

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Features

- Just one username and password for USO, Google and Microsoft apps
- Only enter data once to your MIS
- Access and manage all your resources in one place
- Efficient and expedient email migration service
- Highly competitive pricing
- Underpinned by dedicated AdePT Education support

Benefits

- Conduct lessons online
- Greater collaboration on group projects
- Real time working
- Quick access to important documents
- Secure and private online learning environment
- Available at anytime, anywhere
- Easy to use
- Improve communication



SharePoint

One framework tailored specifically to your requirements

Sharepoint is an online framework that integrates all key programmes, documents and websites in an easy to use format.

The software gives staff, students, parents and key stakeholders easy access to documents, calendars and news feeds on a range of handheld and desktop devices which makes it easy to manage

at the click of a button or swipe of a screen.

Some education providers like their students to access certain pages to share homework or class work for reference at home - security settings are put in place to ensure only the intended persons have access to ket information and pages.

Benefits

- Tailored design with school or academy logos and branding
- A single SharePoint calendar for all school events and appointments
- Available at anytime from any location on any device
- Document management tools can be used to store, access and search all of a school's documents, resources and policies
- Dedicated class pages - text, pictures, links, resources and documents can be easily added for the pupils to use and share online
- Blog sites to report on class events and successes can be easily created and used
- Space to share information, notices, messages, documents and resources solely for teachers
- The secure governors' portal can be used to store and access minutes, agendas, meeting documents and policies. Access is restricted to authorised users.
- Faster server and browser performance
- Full SharePoint training available for schools and teachers





AdEPT Education can help transform
your school's ICT.

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