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### Type of site:

Education/School

### Location:

Southend-on-Sea, UK

### Number of doors/users:

- 8 doors
- 63 users
- 420 pupils

### Solution required:

- Visual identification of site visitors before granting access
- Enhance school security
- Control the flow of children around the building

### Result:

- Students, parents and visitors require authentication before access is granted
- Prevention of unauthorised visitors accessing the main school via Reception

### Paxton products used:

- Net2 Entry VR Panel
- Net2 Entry Monitor
- Proximity Marine Reader



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Chalkwell Hall Junior School is a large community school in Southend-on-Sea. Established in 1908 and educating 420 pupils aged seven to 11, the school has a key role in the local area. As a large school, it became increasingly important to safeguard, and control the flow of, children around the building.

A refurbishment project, headed up by Dave Sowerbutts, Building Surveyor from Southend Borough Council, was carried out to help increase security at the school, and modernise the Reception area. Blake Fire and Security were engaged to install an access control system to make the building secure for children and staff.

### Requirement

In order to monitor and control who was able to access the school site, the Reception staff needed to visually identify pupils, parents, and visitors before granting access through the playground and side entrance. To further enhance security, the six internal doors surrounding the Reception area also required securing to prevent any unauthorised personnel from gaining access to the main school.

### Solution

Blake Fire and Security installed Net2 Entry, Paxton's video/audio door entry system, to meet the school's requirements. The Net2 Entry monitor is desk-mounted in Reception with two external Net2 Entry Vandal Resistant panels at the playground and side entrances. Children and parents ring through to Reception from the robust panel, and the staff can then grant or deny access, giving them complete control over who is in the building at any time.



Net2, Paxton's leading networked access control system was installed alongside the Net2 Entry panels. Net2 is a user-friendly, flexible networked access control system, designed to make the management of any site straightforward

Matthew Finch, Access Control Manager at Blake Fire and Security, says: "The school needed a door entry system that was simple to use, but would integrate with access control. As regular installers of Paxton, we knew that Net2 Entry easily integrates with Net2, it fulfilled the school's needs and it's worked brilliantly!"

### Result

The installation has been embraced by the staff at Chalkwell Hall Junior School, who have found the Net2 system incredibly simple and user-friendly.

Trudy Runcorn, School Business Manager, says: "Net2 Entry is so easy to use. It's useful for the Reception staff to be able to see who is trying to enter before letting them in."

The Reception staff are now able to see who is at the entrance to the building before granting access, making the school a much more secure environment for the students. Net2 has provided peace of mind that the children are safe and only authorised people are on site.