

Adoptions

Guidance for dealing with Court Order Adoptions for SIMS.net



A case of a Court Order Adoption must be dealt with great confidentiality and sensitivity. The following guidance will provide you with clear step by step instructions on how to deal with Court Order Adoptions in SIMS.net once the Adoption Order is granted.

As a quick summary, this will involve creating a brand new student, making the existing student a Leaver and erasing any links between these two students. Before you begin following these guidance notes, please ensure that the pre-adoption legal names have NOT been changed or updated to the new name(s). If this has been done, the legal names must be reinstated on the pre-adoption record.

Creating the New Student

Click on Focus/Pupil/Pupils Details



Click on New

This will bring up the following screen which will allow you to type in the basic details of the new adopted child

Basic Details			
Surname	Gerald	Forename	Paul
Gender	Male 👻	Date of Birth	12/04/2003
			Continue 🧿

- Click Continue
- The main Pupil Details screen will appear which pre-populates some information for you (**Preferred Forename**, **Preferred Surname** etc)

Panel 2 – Registration

• Before you can save your progress, you must enter the fields in red - Year Group, Year Taught In and Enrolment Status

Registration				
<u>Class</u>		 House 		
Year Group	Year 4	 Year Taught In 	Curriculum Year 4	
Enrolment Status		Boarder Status		
Admission Date	Single Registration Guest pupil	Admission Number		
Former UPN	Main - Dual Registration	Attendance Mode		
UPN	Subsidiary - Dual Registration	Local UPN		

• Enter the relevant Class, Admission Date (the date of the adoption unless advised differently by Management Information) and issue this student with a new UPN

<u>Class</u>	
Year Group	Year 4 👻
Enrolment Status	Single Registration 👻
Admission Date	02/04/2012
Former UPN	
UPN	(Issue Permanent UPN on save)

• Save

In doing this you will create an **Admission Number** for the student

You will then get this message:-

You want to keep the date of admission as the Adoption date, or date advised by MI, as the child never actually left the school

Date of admission of the current student is before today.	Do you want to
make the student a member of on-roll groups from:	-

- Oate of admission: 02/04/2012
- Today
- First date of the current academic year: 01/09/2011
- Synchronize address start date

- Panel 3 Addresses
 - Enter the postcode of the Student's **current address** (his/her adopter's address), and click **Continue**
 - If SIMS recognises the post code you will be able to match the address If not, fill in the relevant fields in the **Address Details** box
 - Set the Address Type as Home
 - Save
- Panel 4 Telephones and Email Addresses

Enter telephone numbers and email addresses

- Save
- Panel 5 Family/Home

The Adoptive Parents are still linked to the current existing Student's details. You will need to copy the Parents details onto the new record and then break the link with the current existing Student (shown on page 6).

Click on Copy

It is important you <u>do not</u> click on New – this will cause duplicate Contacts in your SIMS.net

• Type in the name of the Student's previous surname and click **Search**. This will bring up the following screen

🔊 Select student, whose contacts you wish to copy ∰ Search 🔹 🗁 Open 🚔 Print 🛛 🖾 Browse → Next 🏫 Previous 🔲 View 🔹								
Surname Tier	andrews <any></any>	Forename Year Group	<any></any>		Admission Number Class	<any></any>	Status	Current <any></any>
Name		Year Group	Class	Hous	e Gender	Admission Numbe	er	
Andrews, Jas	mine	3	3TO		Female	001153		
Andrews, Pau	J	4	4SL		Male	000922		

- Highlight the correct Student and click Open
- The Guardians will appear Only select the adoptive parents and click **OK**. Ensure the contact type is now appropriate.

	1 Contac	ts		
	Priority	Name	Contact Type	*
	2	Andrews, Mr Jonathan	Father	-
Cent Co	1	Gerald, Mrs Geraldine	Foster Mother	- B
Innad				T

- They will now appear in the **Contacts** box in Panel 5
- Save
- You will notice that the original existing Student has been pulled through into the **Family** Links box

Family Links	Name	Date of Birth	Year	Class	Gender	Date of Adm	Date of Lea	New
	Andrews, Paul	12/04/2003	4	4SL	Male	05/09/2006		🖙 Open
								💢 Delete
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	I							

When the Contacts are deleted from the original existing record, the name will be removed (shown on page 6/7)

- Panel 6 Dietary To be added as applicable
- Panel 7 Medical

Enter all applicable medical information relating to the new Student.

To obtain any missing data, a **Data Collection Report** should be sent out to the new adoptive Parents who will provide you with this information

Panel 8 – Ethnic/Cultural

A **First Language** and **Ethnicity** Report should also be sent out, which can be found on our Data Submission Guidance page on Kelsi (link below)

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/school-management/data-and-reporting/management-information/secure-filetransfer

- **Panel 9 Additional Information** To be added as applicable
- Panel 11 School History
 - **Previous Schools** must be kept blank
 - No Attendance History prior to Adoptive date to be entered Student must be treated as a completely new child
- Panel 12 / Panel 13 To be added as applicable
- Assessment Data
 - Enter Assessment data as applicable or download from Key to Success (guidance on our page on Kelsi, as above)

Amending the Original Student

• Search for the original existing Student and Open their record

Panel 1 – Basic Details

- The Legal & Preferred Surname and Forename must both read the pre-adopted legal names
- Save

<u>1</u> Basic Details	
Legal Forename	Paul
Middle Name(s)	
Legal Surname	Andrews
Preferred Surname	Andrews
Preferred Forename	Paul
Date of birth	12/04/2003
Age	9 years

• If you are changing the Legal Forename or Surname, the following message will appear -

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?	Is this a correction to the name or a legal change to the student's name? If it is a legal change, please select Yes.	
	Yes No	

Select No

reason for	the change of	name as	Reason	Not Given	•
Click on His	tory		Date of Change	02/04/2012	
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lighlight the	name and De	lete			
lighlight the Click OK	name and De	lete			
lighlight the Click OK tofPrevious Name	name and De				
Highlight the Click OK tof Previous Name Legal Forename	s Middle Name(s)	Legal Surname	Reason	Date Of Change	New
Highlight the Click OK tofPrevious Name Legal Forename Paul	s Middle Name(s)	Legal Sumame Andrews	Reason Adoption	Date Of Change 02/04/2012	New

- **Delete** the Student's **Photograph**
- Save

- Panel 2 Registration
 - All Registration details stay with the Student's record (including UPN)
- Panel 3 Addresses

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- Delete the current Home Address

 DO NOT CLICK MOVE ADDRESS!

 Move House

 This will create address history which cannot be deleted!
- Enter the School address as the Student's Current Address and set the Address Type as Home – This is to ensure that this record will not fail when you submit your next Census Return

\ddresses			
New Home Address	Details (Not validated)		
Apartment		House Name	Junior Department
House No.			
Street	Havelock Road		
District	Wolverton	Town / City	EAST TOWN
County	Eastshire	Post Code	SI3 7ND
Country	United Kingdom 👻	Address type	Home

- Save
- Panel 4 Telephones and Email Addresses
 - Highlight and Delete all Telephone Numbers and Email Addresses

Telephones\Fax	Device	Location	Number	Main	Primary	Notes	New
Numbers	Telephone	Home	01908 987876	Yes			📂 Open
							💥 Delete

- Panel 5 Family/Home
 - Highlight and **Delete** the Adoptive Parents in **Contacts**

Family/Home							
Contacts	Priority	Name	Relationship	Court Order	Telephone		New
	1	Mrs Pia Andrews	Mother		01908 987876	н	🔁 Open
	2	Mr Jonathan Andrews	Father		0980 1176989	М	Selete
		Mrs Geraldine Gerald	Foster Mother	Yes			Copy
							Clone

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• If the Guardian names are in either **Parental Salutation** or **Parental Addressee**, they will need to be **Deleted**

Parental Salutation	Mr and Mrs Andrews	@	Parental Addressee	Mr and Mrs J Andrews	
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• Save

You will notice once saved that the name of the new Student you have created has been removed from the **Family Links** box.

In doing this, the name of the original record would also have been removed from the Family Links box in Panel 5 in the new record. You can always go back and check this. You will need to come out of the new record and reopen it for the changes to take effect.

- Panel 11 School History
 - Enter the **Date of Leaving** and the **Reason for Leaving** as **Unknown (1)**. In most circumstances the date of leaving will be before the date of adoption.
 - Destination After Leaving field to be left blank

11 School History				
Date of Leaving	30/03/2012	Reason For Leaving	Unknown [1]	•
Destination After Leaving				

Save

If the Student was In Care, an end date will populate in Panel 10

Linked Documents

 It is important you check if there are any Linked Documents containing any reference to the new Student or his/her new adopted Parents (right hand side of screen)



If so, they will need to be **deleted**