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- ACTIVboard in the classroom
- Enhance lessons
- New ways of teaching old lessons
- Group teaching system



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Wilkes Green Junior School is a Beacon school in Handsworth Birmingham and is a model of contemporary multicultural society. A recent OFSTED inspection found that "Teaching and learning is well resourced, and the outstanding strength of this school is its uncompromising quest for excellence in all aspects of its life and work." ICT has been a priority within the School Development Plan

for the past 12 years and the school has been at the forefront of many initiatives, they were one of the first schools to have a networked computer suite. By the end of year six, pupils have consistently achieved standards that are similar to or above the national average in English, Maths and Science.



Mr Avtar S. Mangat MBE
who has been Head
Teacher since May 1987
said:

"The introduction of ACTIVboards to Wilkes Green Junior School has united the staff and motivated them to share ideas, expertise and develop new ways of teaching. When we first saw the ACTIVboards demonstrated we knew that the way we taught would change forever, an exciting if not daunting prospect! We could see how the use of ACTIVboard in the classroom was going to provide us with a vast array of opportunities to enhance our lessons and motivate our children."

The school has now installed 12 Promethean ACTIVboards. **Emma Crouch, ICT Co-ordinator** continued:

Everyday we are learning new things, finding new resources and creating new ways of teaching old lessons. We feel that ACTIVboard will soon become the recognised symbol of teaching, replacing the traditional blackboard and chalk!"



A Powerful Teaching tool

Stephen Jury, Chief Executive of Promethean added:

"The way that ACTIVboard technology is being used by Wilkes Green Junior School demonstrates the cross-curricular potential of the technology and shows how lessons can be enhanced through technology."

A Powerful Teaching tool

Each ACTIVboard is supplied with the intuitive ACTIVstudio software, which transforms it into a powerful group teaching system. At the simplest level it brings Information Communications Technology (ICT) to the whole class, enhancing the teacher's control of the learning environment and increasing the impact of the lesson.

Onwards and Upwards

Teachers at the school commented: "Pupils have become more attentive as the boards provide a clear focal point. They don't have to stare at textbooks and worksheets anymore as it is all on screen in front of them. Everyone, both staff and pupils use the ACTIVboards across a variety of lessons. We use them daily for many different activities, whether simply writing on a blank flipchart or showing the pupils multimedia resources. Lessons have been brought to life – we have visited a Victorian home, followed the story of Moses, listened to African music and located places on a world map. The whole class want to be involved and have a turn at using the 'magic' pen.

Childs Play

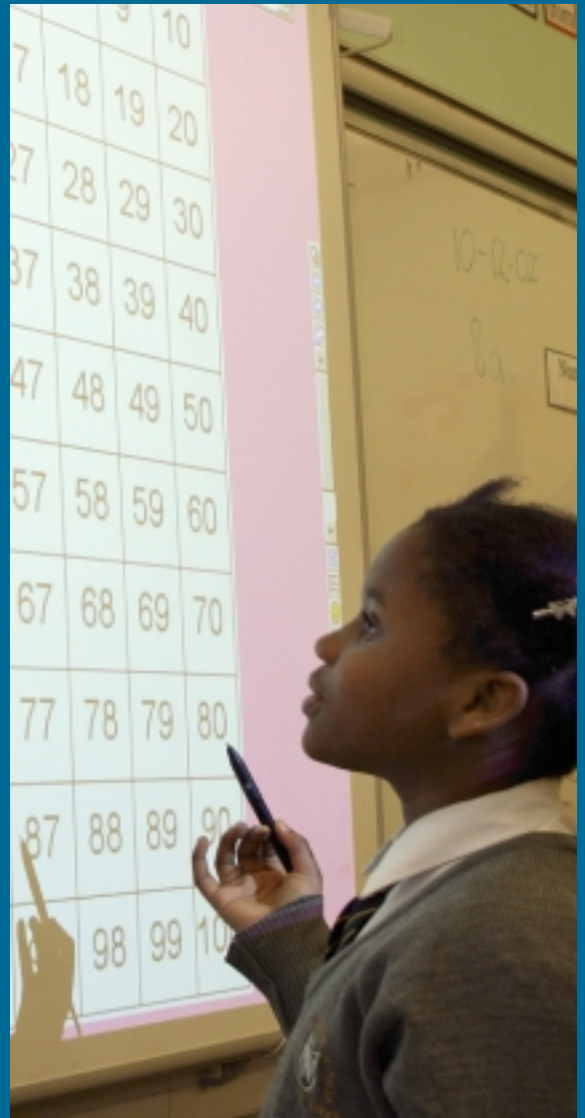
Pupils have benefited enormously from the introduction of ACTIVboards – here are some of their comments:

"I think it is a fantastic idea because our teacher can write things on the computer and they appear on the board in front of us. We can all see interesting things on the Internet and even watch videos – ACTIVboards are great!"

"Since ACTIVboards have been put in the classrooms lessons have become a lot more interesting. We can use a pen to write on it, look at pictures and play games. The boards make work easier to understand because we can see the writing more clearly and they make learning fun!"

"I like the ACTIVboards because we don't have to crowd around a computer, instead we can stay in our seats. Lessons are more fun using the boards and it makes them bright and colourful."

"It's like having a giant computer that we can all share and it has helped me to know how to use my computer at home better."



“About Promethean”

Promethean is dedicated to the development and supply of ICT solutions as teaching tools in the classroom to accelerate learning gains across the whole curriculum.

Promethean systems create an interactive teaching environment that enables multimedia delivery to whole groups.

A UK manufacturer, Promethean offers full installation, full system training, hot-line support

by telephone and e-mail, in-field support and repair. We provide the complete solution to education, distance and flexible learning, collaborative working and training.

Solutions include:

ACTIVboard Interactive Whiteboards, ACTIVstudio multimedia software and ACTIVision video-conferencing systems.

Wide format displays for data and video and all encompassing solutions for presentations.



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