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## **RM Billing Year End Fact Sheet**

#### **IMPORTANT**

This fact sheet explains the procedures for processing the RM Billing year end. Use the Safe Backup to back up the Integris datafile.

The following list outlines the steps involved in the RM Billing Year End Process. Preparing for End of Year should commence well in advance of the actual RM Billing year end routine being run. This final process can then be carried out at a time that suits your school, **after the Administration**Year End has been run and once in the new calendar year (after the 31st December 2019).

Note: The financial data must be stored for 7 years.



## **RM Billing End of Year Checklist**

Tick each step as it is completed.

Step	Function	Completed
1.	Ensure the 2020 school diary has been created	
2.	Ensure students have been assigned a proposed year and form 2020 (optional)	
3.	Ensure students have been assigned subject preferences for 2020 in the Timetabling module (Secondary)	
4.	Assign a Fees Biller to all students on the Current Roll and the Admissions Roll	
5.	Assign the Student Billing Category for 2020 (Current Roll and Admissions Roll students)	
6.	Review and update Billing Codes (as necessary)	
7.	Assign Subject costs for 2020 (Secondary)	
8.	Create Charges and Contributions Templates for 2020	
9.	Print Charges and Contributions Sheets for 2020	
10.	Receipting in the current year (2019) for 2020	
11.	End of Month processes for December	
12.	Process Write-offs	
13.	Print Unprinted Invoices	
14.	Turn on Single User Lock	
15.	Back up the datafile	
16.	Run the RM Billing Year End process	
17.	View the Billing Year	
18.	Purging Transactions (Optional)	
19.	Create 2020 Audit Log	
20.	Receipting in the New Year	
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25.	Apply Non-subject Billing Item Batches	
26.	Apply Unallocated Credit	
27.	Print Student Statements	
28.	Process Write-offs (If not done in Previous Year)	

## 1 Create the 2020 School Diary

Refer to the Administration Manager Module Manual for instructions on how to complete this task.

# 2 Assign students a Proposed Year and Form for 2020 (optional)

Ensure students have been assigned a proposed year and form for 2020 (refer to the Administration Manager Module Manual for instructions on how to complete this task). Students who have not been assigned a proposed year and form will have 'Not Specified' displayed in these fields on the Charges and Contributions sheets for 2020.

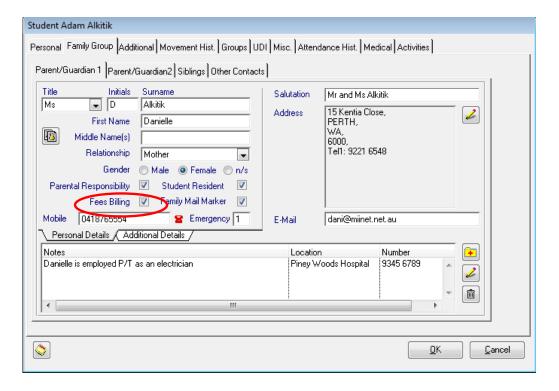
## 3 Assign Student Subject Preferences for 2020 in Timetabling (Secondary)

Ensure students have been assigned their subject preferences in the Timetabling module for 2020 (refer to the person/deputy responsible for this task in the school).

## 4 Assign a Fees Biller to all students on the Current Roll and the Admissions Roll

All Students on the current roll must have a Fees Biller nominated on their student records. It is important to ensure that Parent/Guardian details are entered and are current.

- General > Student Details > Find the student
- Click Edit
- Family Group tab
- Check the parent contact details are correct (update if necessary)
- Tick the Fees Billing marker for PG1 or PG2 as appropriate
- Click OK to save



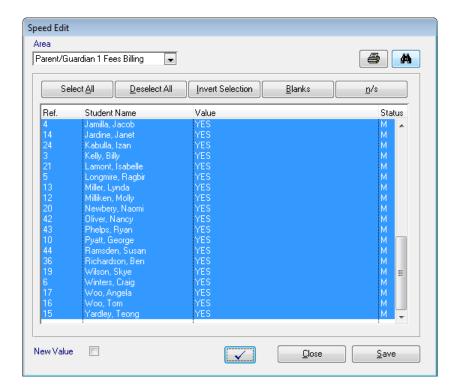
The Fees Biller must be set for students on the **Admissions** Roll. This can be achieved by using the Speed Edit facility to set the Fees Billing marker for PG1 and then manually editing any exceptions.

#### Admin > Speed Edit

- Click on Student search
- Select Roll Status: Admissions Roll



- <Find>, <Select> and <Yes>
- From Area select Parent/Guardian 1 Fees Billing
- Click on Select All
- Click into New Value
   New Value
- Click



<Save> and <Yes>

Note: Students must have Parent/Guardian contact details entered before setting the Fees Biller.

# 5 Assign the Student Billing Category for 2020 (Current Roll and Admissions Roll)

#### **Current Roll Students**

When assigning the 2020 Student Billing Category for the Current Roll students, it will be necessary to choose the category for their proposed year (i.e. the category that will apply for the following year).

If the Administration module year end has not yet been run, students will still be assigned to their current year group and form. For example, as the Current Roll Year 10 students will be Year 11 in 2020, they will need to have the Secondary (Chg) category assigned for 2020.

#### **Admissions Roll Students**

The Admissions Roll students will have already been assigned the year group for the following year (2020). So when assigning a 2020 Student Billing Category to the admissions roll students, the category will be as per the year displayed in the window. For example, Admissions Roll Year 11 students will need to have the Secondary (Chg) category assigned.

#### RM Billing > Students

- Sort the students by year group and select the relevant year group or use the binoculars to select year groups or roll status (e.g. Admissions)
- For Selected > Set Student Billing Category
- Select the Billing Year of 2020
- Choose the correct category for 2020 from the drop list



Click **OK** to save

Note: Complete this task for all students on the Current Roll and all students on the Admissions Roll.

Important: For students who are attending the school with an international visa, ensure the Temporary Visa or Full Fee Paying category is selected.

## 6 Review and Update Billing Codes (as necessary)

If budget codes have changed in RM Finance, then billing codes may need to be added. Existing Billing Codes may be edited if the description needs to be changed.

### 6.1 To Add a Billing Code

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Billing Codes

- Click Add Item 🎺
- Enter the details
- Click OK to save

## 6.2 To Edit a Billing Code

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Billing Codes

- Highlight the code to be edited
- Click Edit Item
- Edit the required fields (see note below)
- Click **OK** to save

Note: If a Billing Code has transactions against it, then only the description may be edited. If details have changed in RM Finance, the description of the old billing code can be changed to 'Do Not Use' and a new code can be created with the new budget and analysis code details.

## 6.3 To Delete a Billing Code

Note: Billing Codes cannot be deleted if they have transactions against them.

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Billing Codes

- Highlight the code to be deleted (see note below)
- Click Delete
- Answer Yes to the message

Important: Before deleting budget accounts in RM Finance, it is important to check to ensure any billing items that have outstanding balances in RM Billing, are not linked to the budget accounts you intend to delete.

## 7 Assign Subject Costs for 2020 (Secondary)

Important: Subjects must be assigned a cost for 2020 before this information can be displayed on the Charges and Contributions sheets.

Schools currently using RM Billing can copy subject costs from one year to another. If subject costs have already been entered for 2019 and there are not a large number of changes in the costs for 2020, users may choose to copy the 2019 costs into 2020 and then edit the subjects that require the values to be changed.

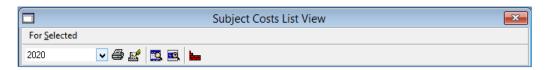
Note: Remember to review billing codes ensuring the budget accounts exist in RM Finance.

### 7.1 To copy subject costs from 2019 to 2020

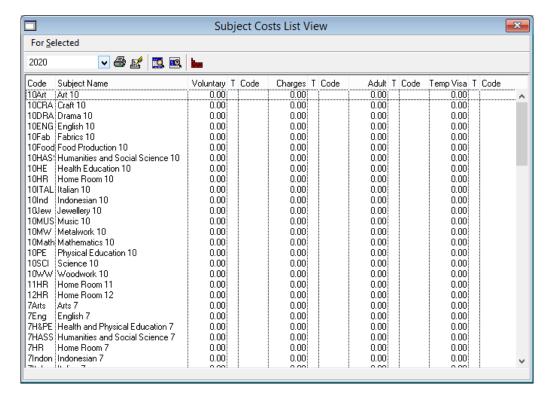
Use this method to copy subject costs that exist for 2019 subjects across to the matching subjects in 2020.

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Subjects

Select 2020 from the year drop list

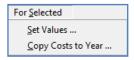


• The timetabled subjects for 2020 will be loaded into the window. They will not have any costs associated with them as yet.





- Select 2019 from the year drop list
- The 2019 timetabled subjects and their costs will be displayed
- **Highlight** all the 2019 subjects for which the costs are to be copied into 2020 (or use **<ctrl> A** to select all displayed subjects)
- Click on the For Selected menu
- Select Copy Costs to Year



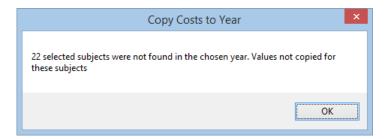
• Select 2020 as the year



Click OK



• A message similar to the one shown below may be displayed if there are subjects that exist in 2019 but are not on the timetable for 2020.



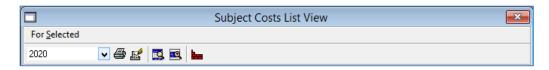
Click OK

## 7.2 To Set/Edit Subject Costs in 2020

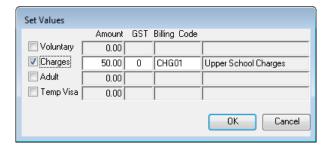
Use this method to edit subject costs that have changed for 2020 or to set costs for new subjects in 2020.

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Subjects

• Select 2020 from the year drop list



- Highlight the subject/s for which the costs are to be set
- Click on the For Selected menu
- Select Set Values
- Use the tick boxes to enable the appropriate cells (example below)



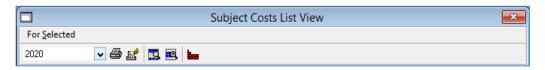
- Set the correct values for the selected subjects
- Click **OK** to save

## 7.3 Viewing New Subjects added to the Timetable

When new subjects are added to the timetable, they must be brought into the Subjects window.

## RM Billing > Parameters > Subjects

• Select **2020** from the year drop list



- Click on Update Subjects
- Any new subjects will be displayed in the list

## 8 Create Charges and Contributions Templates for 2020

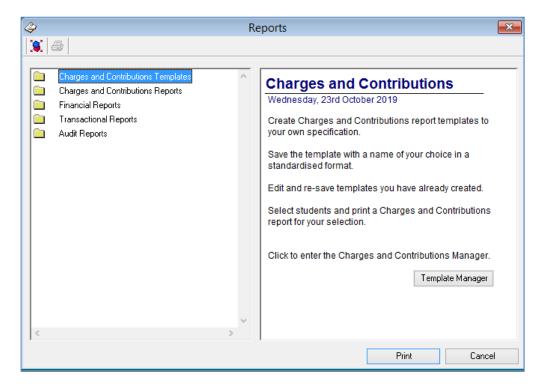
Charges and Contributions sheets are created based on a template. These sheets are not based on actual billing items. Therefore, they can be created before any billing has occurred. If subject cost information is being drawn from the timetable, it is important that the previous steps have been completed before the Charges and Contributions sheets are printed.

Schools currently using RM Billing can copy Charges and Contributions sheet templates from one year to another. Alternatively, new templates can be created as required.

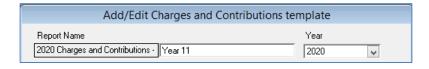
### 8.1 Creating a new Charges and Contributions Template for 2020

#### RM Billing > Reports

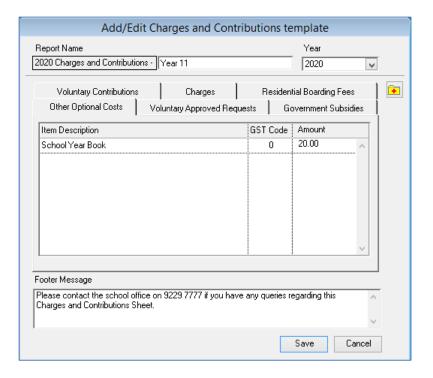
- Ensure Charges and Contributions Templates is highlighted on the left hand side
- Click Template Manager on the right hand side



- Click Add Item
- Select Year 2020
- Enter the name of the template (e.g. Year 11)



- Select the appropriate tab and click Add to enter data into the tab
- Repeat for each tab as required
- Enter a footer message if required

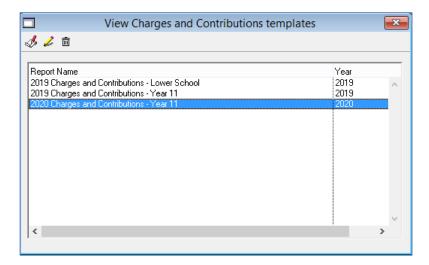


Click save the template

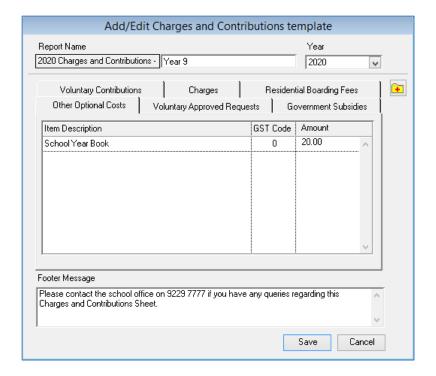
## 8.2 Copying an Existing 2019 Template to 2020

#### RM Billing > Reports

- Ensure Charges and Contributions Templates is highlighted on the left hand side
- Click Template Manager on the right hand side.
- The list of existing templates is displayed



- Highlight the template to be copied
- Click on Edit
- Select **2020** from the year drop list



- Check the information entered under all tabs and make changes as required
- Edit the footer message if required
- Click Save
- Repeat this process for other templates as required.

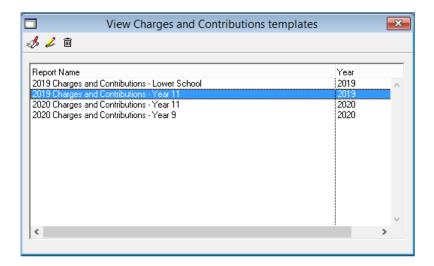
Note: The subject information/costs do not need to be entered into the Charges and Contributions templates. This information will be drawn from the timetabled preferences for each student together with subject costs from the RM Billing subject table when the Charges and Contributions sheets are printed.

## 8.3 Deleting a Charges and Contributions Template

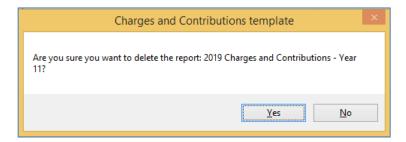
If previous Charges and Contributions templates are no longer required, they can be deleted.

#### RM Billing > Reports

- Ensure Charges and Contributions Templates is highlighted on the left hand side
- Click Template Manager on the right hand side
- The list of existing templates is displayed



- Highlight the template to be deleted
- Click Delete
- · A message similar to the following is displayed



Click Yes

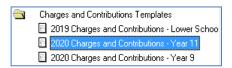
## 9 Print Charges and Contributions Sheets for 2020

A Charges and Contributions Sheet can be printed from two locations in RM Billing. It can be printed via Reports or via Students.

### 9.1 Printing a Charges and Contributions Sheet via Reports

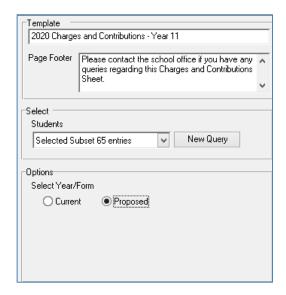
#### RM Billing > Reports

- · Open the Charges and Contributions Templates folder
- Select the required template



Note: For Current Roll students ensure the Template selected is the relevant one for their year group for 2020.

- Click New Query
- Use the find tool to select the required students
- Select to show the Proposed Year/Form for Current Roll students



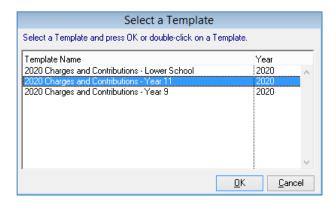
- Click Print
- Select the report destination (screen or printer)

Note: A student's SCSA (Schools Curriculum and Standards Authority) Student Number (Previously Curriculum Council Number) is also used as the BPay reference number for schools using BPay. For students who do not have a SCSA Student Number, the BPay option should be deselected in Parameters > Billing Parameters when printing the Charges and Contributions sheets.

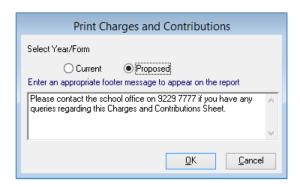
## 9.2 Printing a Charges and Contributions Sheet via Students

#### RM Billing > Students

- Select the required students by sorting on the column headings and highlighting or use the student find tool
- Click on For Selected > Print Charges and Contributions
- Select the required template



Click OK



- Select to show the **Proposed Year/Form** for **Current Roll** students
- Click OK
- Select the **report destination** (screen or printer)
- Click OK

## 9.3 Printing a Charges and Contributions Sheet for Admissions Roll Students

Charges and Contributions Sheets can be printed for students on the Admissions Roll, however the following information needs to be considered.

- Students must have a Fees Biller nominated.
- Students must be allocated a Student Billing Category.
- Students must have their Year Level entered as the year they will be in when attending
- If schools want to include a student's Form on the Charges and Contributions Sheet, the students must be allocated a Current Form (the form they will be in when attending). If not done the form will be displayed as **not specified**.
- Students must have had their Primary Preferences (subjects) included in Timetabling if schools are using the Subjects Table for expected costs.

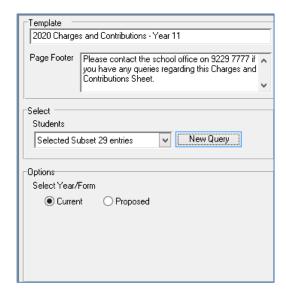
#### RM Billing > Reports

- Open the Charges and Contributions Templates folder
- Select the required template
- Click New Query
- Select Students on the Admissions Roll in the Year Level that you require



Note: Students on the Admissions Roll will have their allocated Year Level assigned once they attend school.

• Select the Current Year/Form option



Click Print

## 10 Receipting in Advance for 2020

For information regarding receipting in advance, refer to the **RM Billing Receipting in Advance for 2020 Helpcard.** Please access the DoE intranet (Ikon) using the link below for more information.

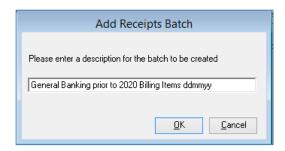
https://ikon.education.wa.edu.au/-/receipt-money-in-rm-billing#toc3

#### 10.1 To Create a Receipts Batch for 2020 receipts

Prior to commencing, review and allocate existing unallocated credit where possible and print statements if required.

#### RM Billing > Receipts

- Click Add Item
- Using Today's date enter a description as indicated in the screen shot



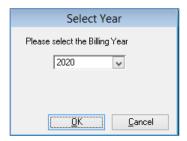
Click OK

## 10.2 To Apply Receipts as Unallocated Credit

If payments for the new billing year are receipted prior to the creation of the 2020 billing items, care must be taken to ensure that these receipts are not applied to 2019 billing items and are shown as unallocated credit on the student's record.

#### RM Billing > Students

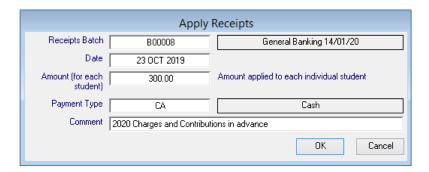
- Highlight the record for the required student
- Click on For Selected > Apply Receipts
- Select Year 2020



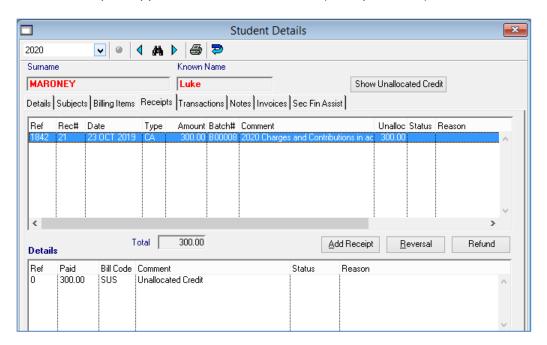
Click OK

Note: When receipting for 2020 it is essential that Billing Year 2020 is selected. The 2020 year will be available for selection once the School Diary has been created.

- <Tab> in the Receipts batch cell
- Select the General Banking Prior to 2020 Billing Items batch
- <Tab> past the date
- Enter amount<Tab>
- Enter payment type
- Enter detail: 2020 Charges and Contributions in advance



- Click OK
- The receipt is applied as unallocated credit (example below)



Notes: If not exporting, this amount must be entered in RM Finance, and posted to the Billing Suspense Account N3199.

If using the Students > Receipts > Add Receipt screen, it is essential that the payment is not applied against 2019 billing items and the whole amount is processed as unallocated credit.

#### 11 End of Month Processes

Prior to running the RM Billing end of year rollover, schools must complete their end of month processes.

End of month processes include:

- 1. Review student accounts, perform reallocations, adjustments, refunds, write offs and cancellation of student debt as required
- 2. Review unallocated credit

RM Billing > Reports > Financial Reports > Unallocated Credit Listing

Allocate/refund amounts as appropriate. Unallocated credit which has been receipted in advance for 2020 should remain unallocated.

Ensure unallocated credit can be reconciled to the N3199 figure in RM Finance.

Note: Students with unallocated credit for 2020 can easily be identified by printing the Detailed Receipts Summary report for each 'Prior to 2020 Billing Items' receipt batch and comparing it with the Unallocated Credit List.

- 3. Print and post the reallocation transactions, if required RM Billing > Reports > Transactional Reports > Print Re-allocation Transactions
- 4. Enter the transactions into RM Finance

Note: Refer to the RM Billing Training Notes for more detail.

Close any open receipt batches, including Corrections and Refunds batches. Print the required reports. Ensure these batches are entered into RM Finance.

Receipts batches must be closed before processing the end of year rollover.

Education Program Allowance batches (formerly Secondary Assistance Scheme) will be closed as part of the end of year process, without transferring data into RM Finance. This batch must only contain payment type GV.

All other receipt batches must be closed and entered or exported into RM Finance.

#### If Not Exporting:

#### RM Billing > Receipts

- Highlight batch
- For Selected > Print Daily Banking
- For Selected > Print Receipts Summary
- For Selected > Close Batch
- Enter transactions into RM Finance

#### If Exporting:

RM Billing > Utilities > Export to RM Finance



- 5. Print the Transaction Summary Adjustments, Reversals and Refunds for December RM Billing > Reports > Transactional Reports > Transaction Summary
- **6. Print the Transaction Summary- Discounts for December** RM Billing > Reports > Transactional Reports > Transaction Summary
- 7. Print the Invoices not Yet Printed
  RM Billing > Reports > Financial Reports > Print Invoices not yet printed
- 8. Print the Audit Report RM Billing > Reports > Audit Reports > Audit Report Print the report to disk and save to the G:\ drive. This report must be printed prior to running the year end process.

Note: If more detail is required on the above processes, please refer to the RM Billing Training Notes or EOM Checklists.

#### 12 Process Write-offs

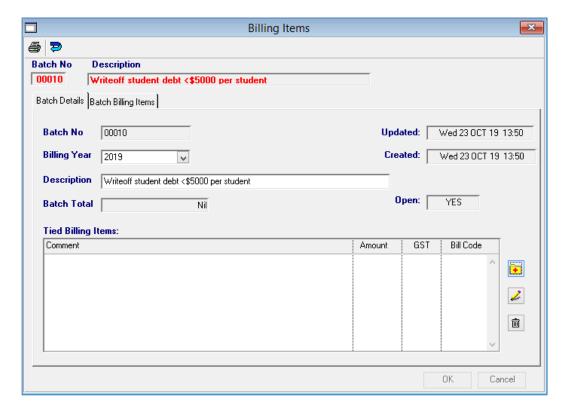
Schools which have completed all steps in the management of unpaid amounts and are ready to write off/cancel unpaid debt may do so prior to the end of year rollover.

IMPORTANT: Ensure a copy of all write-off applications, supporting documents, reports and approvals are filed.

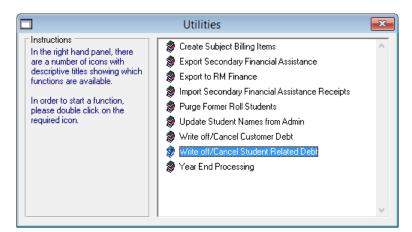
Write-offs can be processed as required in accordance with the Department's Write-Off Procedures for Irrecoverable Debts document.

#### 12.1 To Process Student Write-offs

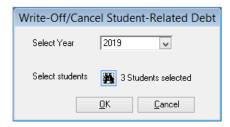
· Create a billing item batch to hold the write-off transactions



• RM Billing > Utilities > Write-off/Cancel Student Related Debt

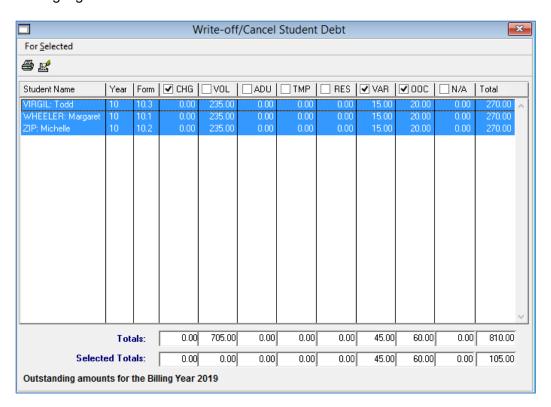


- Select the Year for the debt to be written off
- Select the Students using the Student Find option



Note: Students can be selected from the Current Roll or Former Roll when writing off debt.

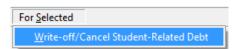
- Select the type for debt to be written off or cancelled
- Highlight the students to have their debt written off/cancelled

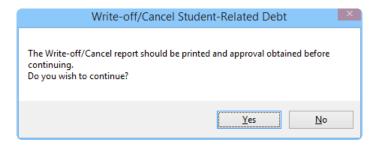


Print the Write-off Report using the Print Selected Icon

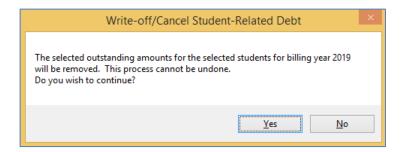


Click For Selected > Write-off/Cancel Student-Related Debt

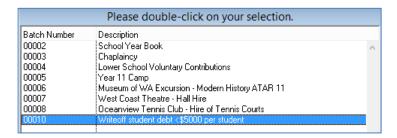




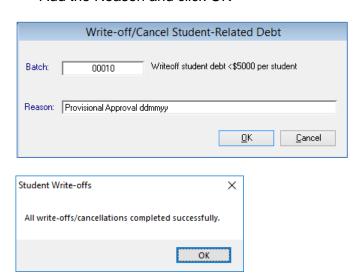
• Click Yes to the message if you have received the Provisional Approval from the Principal



- Click Yes to continue
- Press <Tab> and Select the Write-off batch and click OK



Add the Reason and click OK



Notes: Principals can provisionally approve the write-off of debts less than \$5000 per student. Refer to the RM Billing Training Notes for more detail.

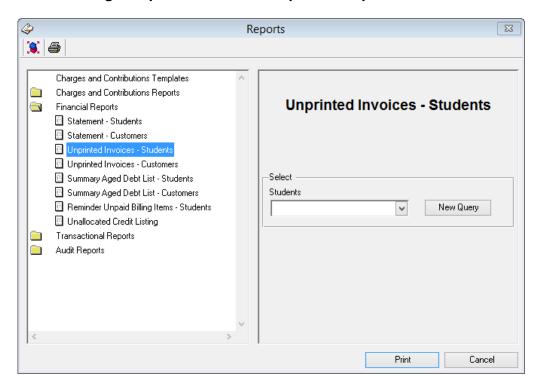
## 13 Print Unprinted Invoices

Printing the invoices not yet printed will close invoices for the 2019 Billing Year. Any future Billing Items will appear on a new invoice.

For further information see the Help card below.

https://ikon.education.wa.edu.au/-/print-unprinted-invoices-in-rm-billing#toc1

- RM Billing > Reports > Financial Reports > Unprinted Invoices Students
- RM Billing > Reports > Financial Reports > Unprinted Invoices Customers



Select the student/customer(s) required. These invoices must be printed to a printer or PDF creator or similar to flag the invoice as being printed.

To avoid wasting paper the invoices can be printed to a printer substitute such as a Microsoft Office Document Image Writer. This will save the invoice in a soft copy. Create a folder called Invoices in the **G:\RM Billing\Audit Log 2019** folder. Date and save the invoices in this folder.

## 14 Turn on Single User Lock

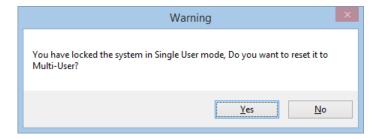
The Single User Lock should be turned on before taking the final backup of the datafile. This will ensure that no other users log in and change data after the final backup has been taken.

#### File > Single User Lock

- Enter password
- Click OK
- Click on View Users to ensure all users are logged out



- Click CLOSE
- Click OK
- View the Single User icon
- Close Integris
- Answer 'No' to the following question.



Note: The RM Billing end of year process must be run in single user mode.

## 15 Back up the Datafile

This back up is taken prior to running the Billing Year End process.

Use the Safe Backup provided by the Department of Education to back up the Integris datafile. Ensure that previous end of year backups are not overwritten. Finance backups need to be stored for 7 years.

All Integris users must be logged out before undertaking the backup. For further information on backing up datafiles, see the Help card below.

https://ikon.education.wa.edu.au/-/backup-rm-finance-asset-manager-and-integris-1#toc1



#### 16 Run the Year End Process

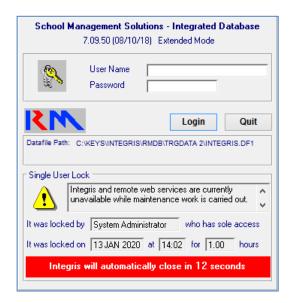
## Warning:

The Administration Manager End of Year processing must be completed before undertaking the RM Billing End of Year rollover.

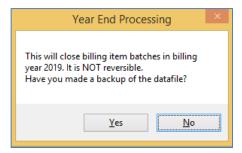
The RM Billing End of Year rollover must be run in 2020.

• Log in to Integris with your user name and password (The single user lock should still be on)

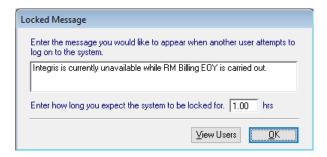
Note: If a user without appropriate access rights logs in to Integris while Single User Lock is in place, the following message will appear and Integris will close. Users with the appropriate access rights can log in with their user name and password and click 'Login' to continue with the Year End process.



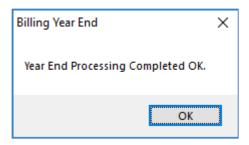
- RM Billing > Utilities > Year End Processing
- Double click on Year End Processing



Click Yes to the backup message



Enter an appropriate Locked Message and click OK



• Click OK

## 17 View the Billing Year

Check the Billing Parameters to ensure the year end rollover has processed successfully.

#### RM Billing > Parameters > Billing Parameters

 View the Last Year End, Last Rollover and Current Billing Year to ensure that the dates are correct



## **18 Purging Transactions (Optional)**

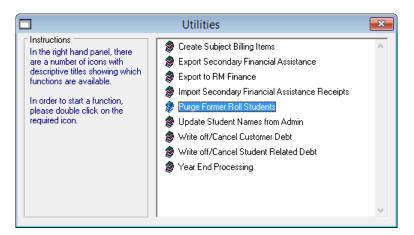
Note: The Purge Transactions process can be run by schools after they have processed their RM Billing Year End. Refer to the Finance for Schools website for the Fact Sheet for further information.

RM Billing now has a utility that enables users to purge transactions from **Former Roll** students where transactions have a zero balance and the student has a **Leave Date** of more than one year prior to the last Billing Year End date.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

To ensure an imbalance does not occur between the Unallocated report and the N3199 Billing Suspense Account from RM Finance, print off the Unallocated Credit Listing report from RM Billing and check if any students you wish to purge appear on this list. If they do, you must allocate the money to a Billing Item before you complete the purging process.

#### The Utility is accessed from RM Billing > Utilities



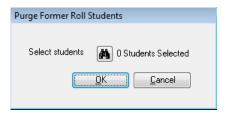
- This process is required to be run in single user mode.
- Once the process has been instigated, the user will be prompted to enter the message for the single user lock.



The following message is then displayed.



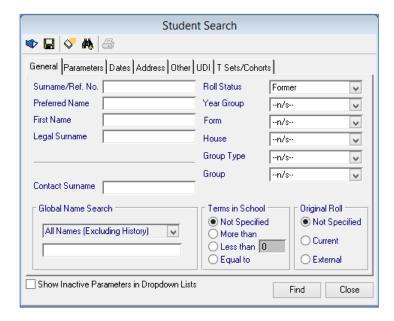
Selecting 'Yes' will display the Student Find Tool.



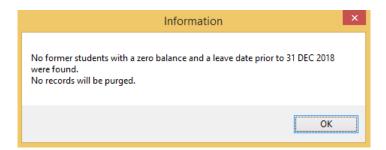
• If the user clicks **OK** without selecting any students the following message is displayed



- When **OK** is clicked the message closes but the student find window remains open
- If the user selects the binoculars, the Student Find window opens with the Former roll selected

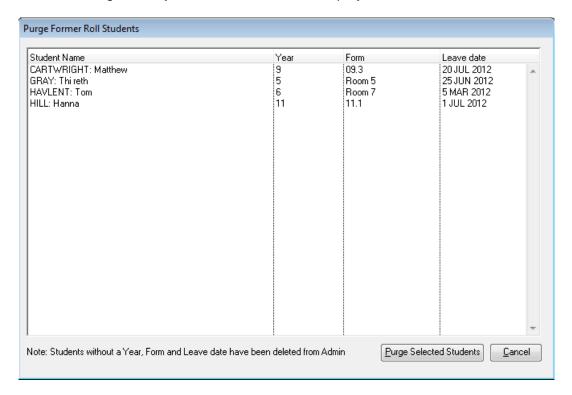


- Once the user has selected students, by clicking Find, Select and Yes, the number of students selected will display
- If there are no students to purge the following message will display

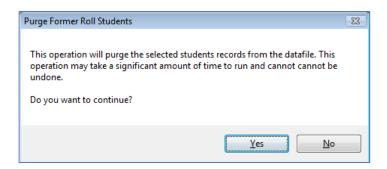




• On clicking OK, any students selected will display in the list



- The user will highlight students and click 'Purge Selected Students'
- The following message is then displayed.

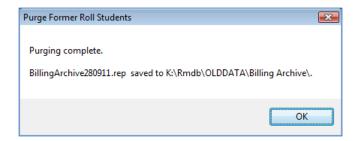


 When the user clicks 'Yes', a series of different progress messages are displayed (some examples appear below), so the user is aware of the different stages in the process.

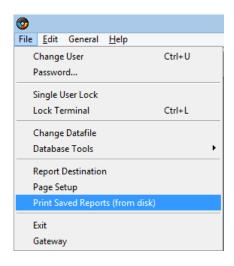




When the process has completed the following message is displayed.

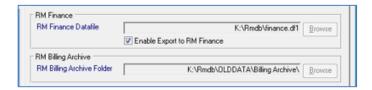


- An archive report is saved to the specified location.
- Archived reports can be run from within Integris from the File > Print Saved Reports (from disk) menu option.



### **IMPORTANT:**

Please note that the Billing Archive folder needs to be created with a space in between the words 'Billing' and 'Archive' as shown in the Parameters screen shot below.



# 19 Create 2020 Audit Log

On the G:\ drive, create a new folder name "RM Billing Audit Log 2020" (If required create the Statements and Invoices folder inside this folder).

# 20 Receipting in the New Year Prior to Creating Billing Items

Schools can continue to receipt money for 2020 into special receipts batches entitled 'General Banking Prior to 2020 Subject (or Billing Items) Debt ddmmyy'. This will be entered into RM Billing as unallocated credit until such time as the subject debt is created. The same process as outlined for 2019 will apply.

https://ikon.education.wa.edu.au/-/receipt-money-in-rm-billing

# 21 Creating 2020 Secondary Financial Assistance Applications

A summary of creating and managing Secondary Financial Assistance (SFA) applications for 2020 is provided below. There is new functionality in the latest release of RM Billing to allow Secondary Schools to create electronic applications, export the applications and email the files to Schools Resourcing.

The applications will be assessed and Receipts Import Files returned (attached to an email) to the school for importing against eligible students. These Imported Receipts will become unallocated credit, which must be allocated to students after the creation of Billing Items (Steps 22-25).

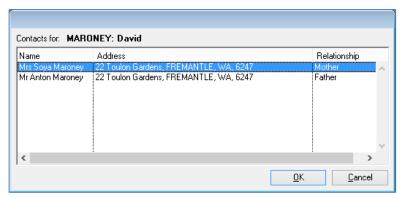
For full details of the new SFA application functionality, refer to the **Secondary Financial Assistance**; **Training Guide**, **Electronic Transfer Frequently Asked Questions** and the **Electronic Transfer Process Guide** on the Finance Web. These are available at the link below.

https://ikon.education.wa.edu.au/-/help-parents-apply-for-the-secondary-assistance-scheme

# 21.1 Completing an Application for Secondary Financial Assistance

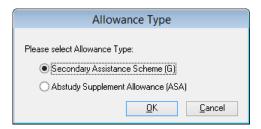
#### RM Billing > Students

- Highlight the student(s) required (Siblings can be done together)
- Go to For Selected > Secondary Financial Assistance Allowance
- Select the Parent/Guardian making the application (this must be the concession card holder)



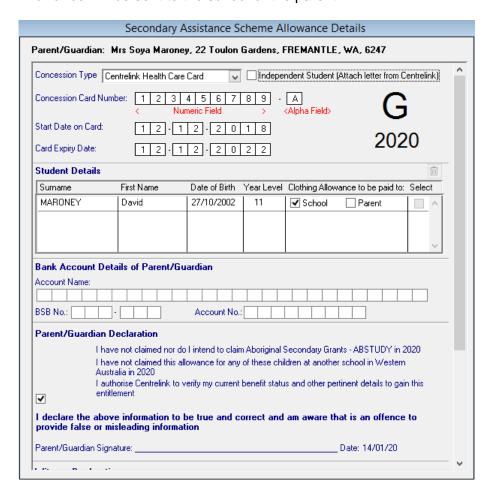
Click OK

Select the Allowance Type



Click OK

The selected Form will display. Complete all sections of the form. Indicate whether the Clothing Allowance will be sent to the school or the parent.

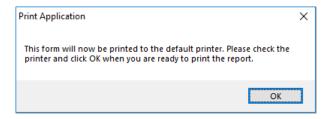


If all details are completed, the form should be printed and signed by the applicant and the witness. If the applicant does not have all the required information, the form can be **saved and closed** and then edited later as required.

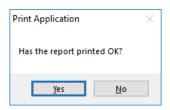
Select the appropriate option



If Printing, click **OK** to the Print Application message



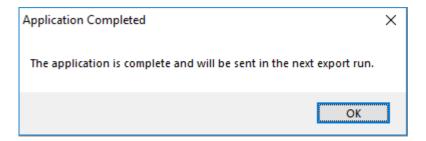
• Click Yes to the second Print message



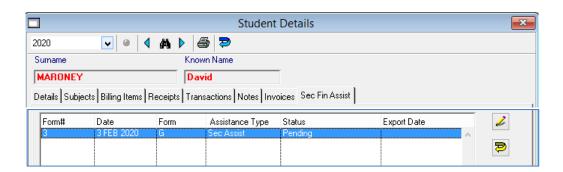
• Click Yes to the Complete Application message



• Click **OK** to the Application Complete message



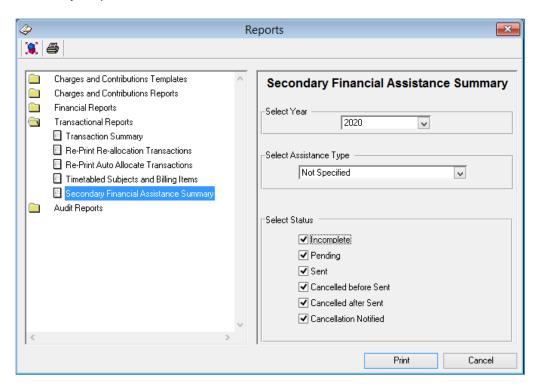
• View the application in the Student's Record



## 21.2 Check Pending SFA Applications

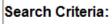
#### **Reports > Transactional Reports**

All students who have SFA Applications can be printed using the Secondary Financial Assistance Summary Report.



The Report will display all applications, the type of funding applied for, the Status of each Application and whether the Clothing Allowance is being paid to the school or parent. Applications marked as *Pending* will be exported the next time the export utility is run.

# West Coast District High School Secondary Financial Assistance Summary





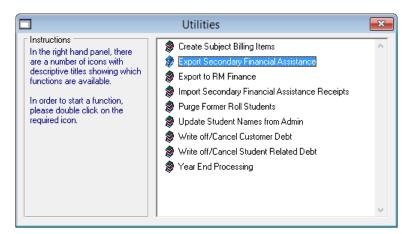
Status:	Incomplete, Pending, Sent, Cancelled before Sent, Cancelled after Sent, Cancellation Notified					
Student #	Student Name	Year	Assistance Type	Clothing Allowance to:	Status	Export Date
25123452	BANDY: Brandy	7	Secondary Assistance	School	Pending	
25123467	BANDY: Tamara	8	Secondary Assistance	School	Pending	
20512495	LAM: Chanara	11	Secondary Assistance	Parent	Incomplete	
20512501	MAHNEY: Ariel	11	Abstudy		Pending	
20512502	MARONEY: David	11	Secondary Assistance	School	Pending	
20512510	MORARITY: Georgina	11	Secondary Assistance	School School	Pending	

## 21.3 Export SFA Applications

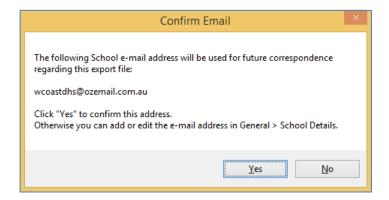
#### RM Billing > Utilities

To export completed (Pending) SFA Applications:

Double Click on the Export Secondary Financial Assistance utility

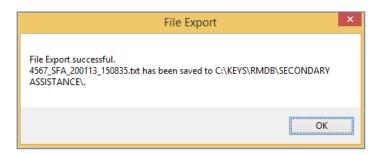


Click Yes to the Confirm Email message



The email address recorded in **General > School Details** is used for all correspondence between the school and Schools Resourcing with regard to SFA Applications.

The File will be exported to the default pathway set up in Billing Parameters



This file contains the details of all the students who had a completed SFA application. This file needs to be emailed as an attachment to <a href="Student.Allowances@education.wa.edu.au">Student.Allowances@education.wa.edu.au</a>. The applications will be processed and an Import Receipts file will be emailed back to the email address displayed when first exporting the applications.

Note: The process of exporting and emailing SFA Applications can be done more than once if required during Term 1. Once applications are exported, however, they will be marked as exported and the Export Date will appear on the Secondary Financial Assistance Summary Report with a Status of 'Sent'. If you repeat the export process for subsequent applications, only new applications marked as 'Pending' will be exported.

## 21.4 Importing SFA Receipts

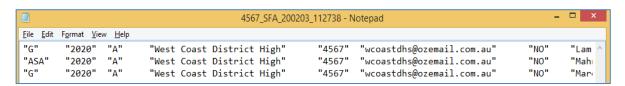
#### **RM Billing > Utilities**

Import Files containing the details of SFA subsidies will be emailed back to schools. Education Program Allowances (EPA or ASA) will be in a separate file to the Clothing Allowance (CLA) receipts.

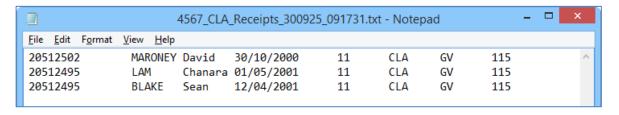
EPA, ASA Payments and CLA (where payments are made to the school) are processed in RM Billing as Government Subsidy (GV Payment Type).

#### **Sample Import Files**

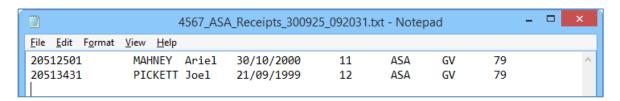
Education Program Allowance (EPA)



#### Clothing Allowance (CLA)



Abstudy Supplement Allowance (ASA)



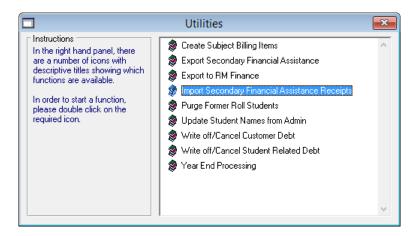
These files should be placed in the same folder used for exporting SFA Applications. The file path is set up in **RM Billing > Parameters > Billing Parameters.** 

IMPORTANT: The EPA and ASA (if applicable) Receipt Batches need to be imported into RM Billing before and separate to the CLA Receipt Batches. The receipt batch for the EPA and the ASA need to be applied to the students Subject Billing Items first or if Auto Allocating, then the EPA will apply as per the 'Rules of Applying Subsidy' on page 52. When these receipts have been applied then the CLA receipt should be applied to the student.

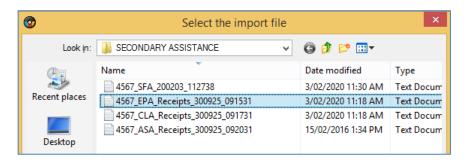
Even though the CLA is now paid to the school as a Government Subsidy, it is parent money and can be refunded to the parent if there is an unallocated credit balance at the end of the year.

#### To Import the Receipts files:

Double Click on Import Secondary Financial Assistance



#### Select the Receipts Import file required

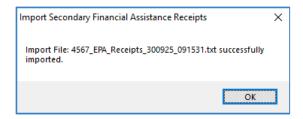


Note: Creating folders for each year in the K: Keys/RMBD/SECONDARY ASSISTANCE folder will make it easier to manage and locate these files.

Click Open

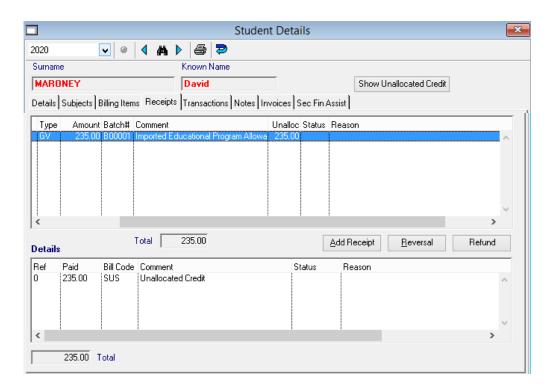
This process will import receipts for all students in the file. If a file is selected that has already been imported, the following message will display.





Once EPA Receipts have been imported, they will appear in the Receipts Batch List and also against the Student's Record. Once Billing Items have been created (Steps 22-25), the Unallocated credit needs to be allocated (Step 26).

Important: All SFA receipts imports (including Clothing Allowance) will have the payment type of GV. Education Program Allowances, Abstudy Allowances and Clothing Allowances allocated to the school will be Gateway payments and therefore are not entered into RM Finance.



Unallocated credit resulting from SFA Imports needs to be allocated to Billing Items according to the Rules for Applying Subsidies as shown below.

Student Billing Category	Priority for applying subsidies
Secondary (Vol,Chg)	Voluntary, Charges, Residential, Other Optional Costs, Voluntary Approved Requests followed by any other item which has a category assigned (other than Not Applicable).
Secondary (Chg)	Charges, Residential, Other Optional Costs, Voluntary Approved Requests followed by any other item which has a category assigned (other than Not Applicable).

## 22 Creating Subject Billing Items

#### **IMPORTANT:**

It is important that each school selects the 'right' time to run this process. You will need to consider the points listed below in order to determine the best time for your school to create actual Billing Items.

When should actual Subject billing items be created? Considerations are:

- Once the majority of student subject changes have taken place
- Before statements can be produced
- Before money can be receipted against billing items or allocated to billing items

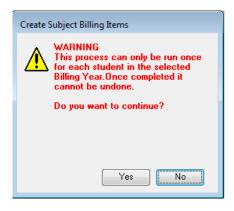
Running the process too early in **Term 1**, may lead to a large number of subject billing items having to be reversed and re-entered by the operator as students change subjects.

Running the process too late in **Term 1** may require more time for the receipting process to be carried out correctly in RM Billing and may affect statements being produced in a timely fashion. If receipts are being entered retrospectively, then the later the process is run, the more receipts batches will need to be entered. If receipts have already been entered as unallocated credit, then the credit needs to be allocated to the actual billing items once they are created.

The Charges and Contributions sheet provided to families will show the amounts students will be charged in the upcoming year. Up to this point no actual debt has been created for students. Actual debt is created through the application of Billing Items to a student's record.

#### RM Billing > Utilities > Create Subject Billing Items

Double click Create Subject billing items



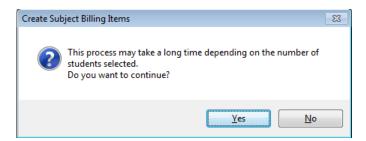
Click Yes



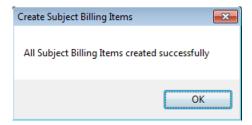
- Select students
- <Find>, < Select> and <Yes>



#### < < OK>



#### <Yes>



#### < < OK >

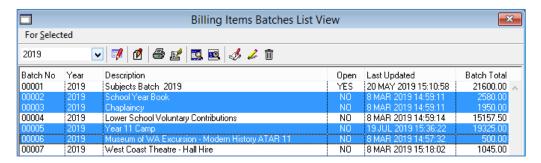
Note: It is recommended that schools create Subject Billing Items for one or two students and check these statements carefully before proceeding to process small groups of students at a time. Check statements as you proceed.

# 23 Copy Billing Item Batches

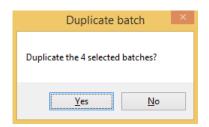
Billing Item batches from previous years can be copied and used in the current billing year. Once the batch has been copied, users may elect to edit the batch to meet their current needs. Check to ensure the correct Billing and GST codes have been selected.

#### **RM Billing> Billing Items**

- Change the Billing year to 2019
- · Highlight the batch or batches to be copied



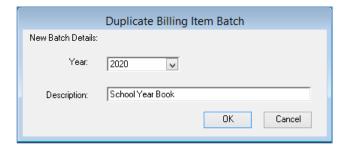
For Selected > Duplicate Batch



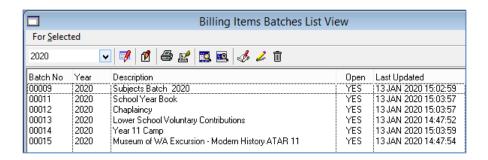
Click Yes



Ensure 2020 is selected as the year



- Edit the name if required
- Click **OK** to save
- Repeat these steps if multiple batches were selected
- Select the 2020 billing year in the Billing Items screen



• Double click to open each batch and edit the tied billing items if required

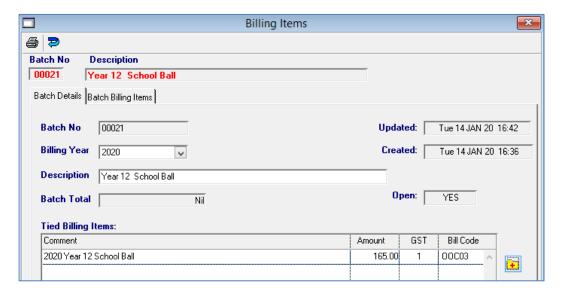
# 24 Create New Billing Item Batches

Billing item batches for non-subject billing items can be created as required.

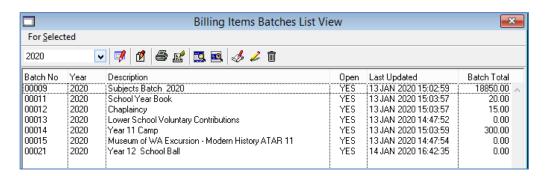
Note: Schools using the 'Alternative Method' can use this process to create billing items for core subjects. Refer to the handout available on 'Finance for Schools' website on the 'Alternative Method of Billing' for more detail if required.

#### RM Billing > Billing Items

- Click on Add item 🎺
- Enter description
- Click OK
- Click on Add debit
- Enter Tied Billing Items as required



- Click OK
- Click on Return to view

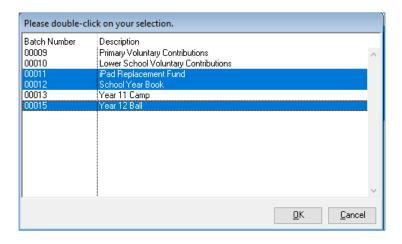


# 25 Apply Non-Subject Billing Items Batches

To bulk bill students for non-subject billing items use the following method.

#### **RM Billing >Students**

- Select the required students
- Choose For Selected
- Add to Billing Item Batch
- Select the required batch or batches (Hint: Use <Ctrl>)



Click OK

# 26 Apply Unallocated Credit

Any amounts receipted into RM Billing, which have not been applied against a billing item, will appear as unallocated credit. Once subject and non-subject billing items have been created, unallocated credit can be applied.

The unallocated credit listing (RM Billing > Reports > Financial Reports) can be used to identify students with unallocated credit.

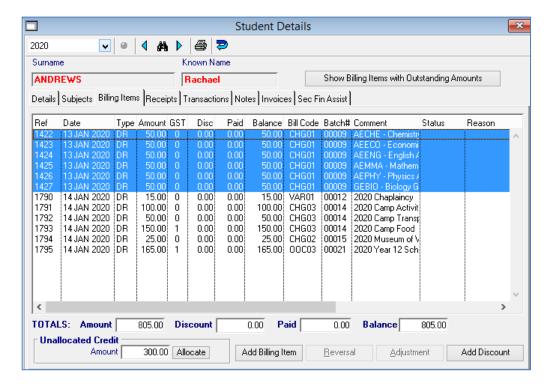
#### 26.1 To allocate unallocated credit via Student Records

#### RM Billing > Students

- Double-click on the required student
- Select the Billing Items tab
- Highlight the Billing Items with an outstanding balance. If unsure, click on



Only Billing Items with a balance to pay will be displayed.



- Highlight the Billing Items with an outstanding balance to allocate the credit to
- Click on Allocate
- Enter the amount to be allocated



Click OK

## 26.2 To auto-allocate unallocated credit via the Billing Items screen

The auto allocation of unallocated credit should be processed after:

- reviewing unallocated credit
- adjusting any billing items as per parent requests
- applying any payments with specific instructions

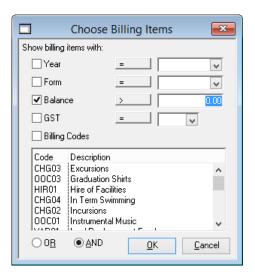
Note: The Auto Allocation Report needs to be sent directly to a printer. The Print destination must be set prior to using this process. It can be reprinted through Reports > Transactional Reports > Re-Print Auto Allocate Transactions

#### RM Billing > Billing Items

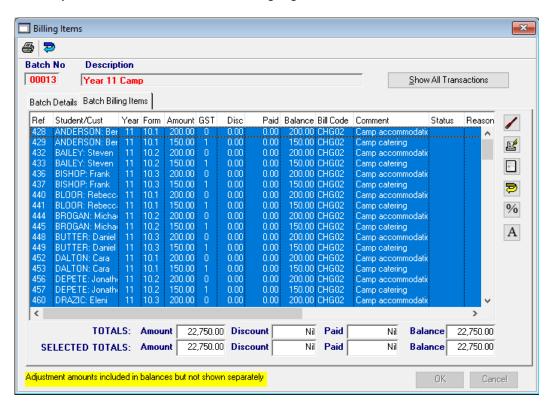
- Double click on the Required batch
- Click on the Batch Billing Items tab
- Click Show Outstanding Amounts
- Highlight the required transaction lines

Note: Selected billing items must have a balance if you wish to use the Auto Allocate function. Sort by balance or use the filter icon (shown on next page) to select items with a balance greater than 0.00. This will assist with the auto allocation process.

- Click on Filter
- Select Balance > 0.00



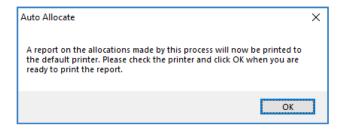
- Click OK
- Only Items with a balance will be highlighted



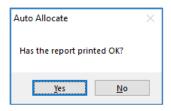
• Click A



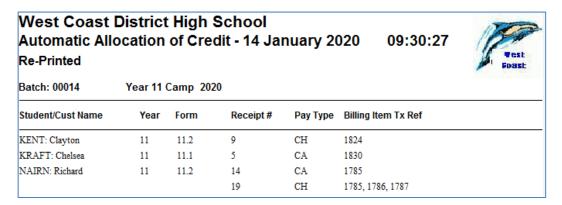
#### Click Yes



Click OK



• Click Yes if the report has printed correctly



### 27 Print Student Statements

Student Statements can be printed from:

Reports > Financial Reports > Student Statements

OR

**Students > For Selected > Print Statements** 

# 28 Process Write-offs (If not completed as part of Year End Activities)

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Ensure a copy of all write off applications, supporting documents, reports and approvals are filed.

Write-offs can be processed as required in accordance with the Department's Write-Off Procedures for Irrecoverable Debts document.

#### 28.1 To Process Student Write-offs

- · Create a billing items batch to hold the write-off transactions
- RM Billing Utilities > Write-off/Cancel Student Related Debt

Note: Refer to Section 12 of this Fact Sheet or the RM Billing Training notes for more detail.

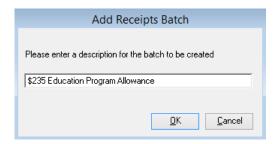
# Appendix 1: Apply Subsidies for Secondary Financial Assistance (SFA) Manually

Schools should use the electronic method for processing, sending and importing SFA Applications as outlined in Step 21 of this Fact Sheet. If for some reason schools are using the previous manual methods for applying Secondary Financial Assistance for eligible students, the following steps need to be followed.

## Create an Education Program Allowance Receipts batch for 2020

#### RM Billing > Receipts

- Click Add Item
- Enter the batch description '\$235 Education Program Allowance'



Click OK

## **Apply the Education Program Allowance**

- Navigate to RM Billing >Students
- Select the eligible students
- Click on For Selected
- Choose Apply Subsidies
- Select the current year
- <Tab> in batch number cell
- Select the: \$235 Education Program Allowance batch
- Insert Amount: \$235
- Insert Comment: 2020 \$235 Education Program Allowance



Click OK

# 33 Support (Transactional)

Should you need any transactional support please contact Financial Operational Support at Financial Services

Contact details below:

#### **Email**

Financialservices.support@education.wa.edu.au

# 34 Support (Systems)

Should you need any systems support please contact the Customer Service Centre (CSC) at the Department of Education.

Contact details below

## Phone (CSC)

Metro: 9264 5555 Country: 1800 012 828

Please be prepared to supply your ID number, contact details and a brief description of the problem

## Fax (CSC)

9264 4701

Please be prepared to supply your ID number, contact details and a brief description of the problem

# Email (CSC)

customer.service.centre@det.wa.edu.au

Please include your *ID number*, contact details and a brief description of the problem.



# 35 Online Manuals and Training Notes

#### 35.1 Civica Education

Online manuals and training notes are available to download in PDF format from the Civica Education website.

http://www.civicaeducation.com.au/

Select Integris Support.

Log in to Western Australian SIS Schools.

Username: **school** Password: **help** 

## STIMS Project

The Department's Student Information Management Project (STIMS) website has numerous fact sheets and support documents for all SIS Administration modules.

http://det.wa.edu.au/intranet/stims

Links to the Integris Manuals are also available from the STIMS website or by going to Help within Integris.

