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1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide details of the new features and functionality that will be available with the next release of igloo.

igloo 2019 T3 (Release date: March 2019)

This release is primarily a hardening release with security fixes.

For additional information, e.g. details on bug fixes and additional minor improvements please refer to the Release Notes.

2. Academic Reports

2.1. Permission Setting (IG-112)

A new setting is available ACADEMIC_REPORTS_PERMISSION used to control permission to published academic reports in the “Academic Reports” block on the Current Student Page.

'ALL' is the default value for this setting, meaning both the parent and student can view reports published to the ‘Academic Report’ on the student page. This is the standard behaviour as it has existed in the past.

Setting the value to 'PARENT' allows only parents to view the reports, and students will be denied access to these reports.

The screenshot shows a 'Settings' window with a teal header. On the left, there is a 'Search Settings' section with a text input containing 'ACADEMIC_REPORTS_PERMISSION', a 'Type' dropdown menu with 'Value' selected, and 'Clear' and 'Search' buttons. Below this, a list shows 'ACADEMIC_REPORTS_PERMISSION' with the value 'PARENT'. On the right, the configuration for 'ACADEMIC_REPORTS_PERMISSION' is shown. It includes the instruction 'Set which users have permission to view student reports.' and a 'Values' section with two options: 'PARENT' (selected) with the description 'Only a carer of the student can view reports. The student will be denied access.' and 'ALL' with the description 'A student's report can be viewed by the student, their carer and teachers.' Below the values is a 'Value:' field containing 'PARENT', a 'Type:' field containing 'VAL', and a 'Modified:' timestamp of '14/12/2018 11:54PM'. At the bottom right, there are 'Save' and 'Close' buttons.

2.2. Test Sites (IG-126)

Previously, Academic Reports in igloo were usually only configured to display correctly on live igloo sites. This release introduces an improvement which allows Academic Reports to be published and displayed on test sites independently. This may help schools who wish to run through the process of creating, publishing and viewing academic reports on a test environment initially.

3. External Reports Block – Parents Page (IG-128)

An external reports block can now be arranged for the Current Parent page which will display any reports that are published for a parent or caregiver login. An example of this would be where a school may wish to publish/burst their debtor statements and publish them through the portal.

The screenshot displays the Civica Community College parent portal. At the top, the Civica logo and 'my portal' banner are visible. The user profile for Mr Trevor Andrews is shown on the left. The main content area is divided into several sections: 'Current Parent' (selected), 'Help', 'News and Notices' (with a 'Music concert next Monday' notice), 'My Details' (with contact information for Mr Trevor Andrews), 'Parent Contact List' (with search filters for School Year, Student Name, Roll Group, Parent Name, and Student Postcode), 'Groups' (with a search bar and a list item for 'Current Parent'), and 'My Children' (with a list item for Paul Alexander). A red box highlights the 'Financial Statements' section, which contains a link for '2019 Term 1 Statement'.

Configuring this for your site may require a small project to configure the setup in line with school requirements. This involves ensuring that debtor statements are set up as per the school needs, are configured to be burstable with the correct file names, and are being published to a folder which igloo is able to read from.

The settings that control this block from the igloo side can be viewed in the settings block by searching for PARENT_EXTERNAL:

The screenshot shows the 'Settings' application window. On the left, a search bar is used to find settings for 'PARENT_EXTERNAL'. The search results list several settings, with 'PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_BLOCK_TITLE' selected. The right-hand pane displays the configuration for this specific setting. The description is 'The title of the Parent External Reports block'. Examples listed are 'External Reports' and 'Financial Report'. The current value is 'Financial Statements', the type is 'VAL', and it was last modified on 18/02/2019 at 03:21PM. 'Save' and 'Close' buttons are visible at the bottom right.

Setting Name	Description	Value	Type	Modified
PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_BLOCK_TITLE	The title of the Parent External Reports block	Financial Statements	VAL	18/02/2019 03:21PM
PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_FILENAME_PATTERN	* [[REPORT_TITLE]] [[DEBTOR_ID]].pdf			
PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_ORDER	ASC			
PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_ORDERBY_FIELDS	TITLE			
PARENT_EXTERNAL_REPORTS_PATH	/reports			