

## A lesson in access control

Great Creaton Primary School, based in the beautiful village of Creaton, Northamptonshire, is a community school for 82 children aged four to eleven.

The school had a Controlsoft fingerprint access control system installed to ensure the safety of the children and the staff. "The security of the staff and pupils is a priority," says head teacher, Richard Camp.



## Motivation

The biometric reader replaced an existing standalone keypad entry system. The access code had become obvious as the combination numbers were worn and dirty, creating a risk that this combination could get into the wrong hands. There was also no audit trail of who had entered the school or at what time. It was very difficult to control.

## Reward

Controlsoft Security supplied a Sagem MA 100 fingerprint reader with Controlsoft Bio software to facilitate:

- **Improved security** - Only authorised people can enter or exit.
- **Accuracy** - Eliminates costs of additional verification methods such as PINs, cards or passwords.
- **Scalable solution** - Protects initial investment when expanding system to meet changing access needs.
- **Combats theft and fraud** - Cuts the costs of losses caused by unauthorised physical and logical access. Increases risk control.
- **User-friendly software** - for enrolling people and running reports. The MA 100 fingerprint reader has a 500-user capacity and identifies a user in 1.5 seconds or less.

## Implementation

It only took one day to install the system. All the required users of the system were installed simply and easily. It only took about 1 minute per person to enrol them on to the system.

## Review

The system could be seen as a standard for best practice as it demonstrates a commitment by the school to install the most sophisticated and reliable security access system available. There is no greater responsibility than ensuring children and teachers are kept safe. It is the duty of the school to provide the best they can. Creaton Primary believes it has achieved this.

Creaton Primary School is impressed with the system. It was installed smoothly and professionally and delivered exactly what they were looking for.

Camp says, "I am delighted with the Controlsoft security system. The children and staff benefit from improved security at the school. Parents can relax knowing that their children are safe. It is a vast improvement over our previous keypad entry system."

## Fact File

Client	Great Creaton Primary School
Installer	Crown Security
Type of site	School
Type of system	Fingerprint Access Control with PC Software