
Things you can do with QR codes

AROUND THE SCHOOL.

- Have a QR code at the entrance to the school which links to a welcome video from or info video about the school, so that when people arrive at the school they feel some human contact, even if the school is closed.
- Add QR codes to pictures of staff members and link these to short video clips of the teachers introducing themselves.
- When you take photographs of events at your school and put them on display, add QR codes so that students can download the ones they want directly from the display.
- Add QR codes to any competitions you are doing around the school. These can link directly to email addresses or SMS text numbers that students should submit their entries to.
- Set up QR codes for events and schedules so that they are scanned directly into students digital calendars.
- Make newsletters available digitally with QR codes. Teachers or students can just scan the code if they want a copy.
- Set up QR codes with various study and learner training tips around the school so that students can get a tip and some inspiration where ever they are in the school.
- Add QR codes to instruction sheets so that teachers or students don't have to make a photocopy, they can just scan them onto their phone.
- Add QR codes to teachers resources so that they can quickly scan and download a copy to their phone or mobile device rather than photocopying.
- Set up a treasure hunt with information and clues delivered to students phones as they search for QR codes which tell them where to find the next QR code clue.
- Everything you print and put on a wall or put on paper and handout can be distributed using a QR code.

IN THE CLASSROOM

- Add QR codes to worksheets and classroom handouts so that students who prefer a digital version can download one directly to their device.
- At the end of classes create a QR code for digital notes from the class with new vocabulary, errors or interesting expressions that came up during class etc.
- Create a QR code link to an interactive phonemic chart so that student can use it to work on their pronunciation and use their phone to record themselves.
- Create QR codes so that students can download grammar reference notes or vocabulary records at the end of a lesson.
- Get students to scan their timetable directly into the calendar on their phone using a QR code.
- Make a list of QR codes which link to suitable apps you want students to download to use in class. This will help them to save time searching for them.
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IN THE SELF ACCESS CENTRE

- Create QR codes for self-access worksheets and online activities that students can then scan and complete on their own device rather than paper. You can link to webpages, videos, listening activities etc.
- Make digital books and magazines in the library available to students through QR codes. There are vast number of magazines that can be downloaded for free from sites like <http://issuu.com/>, <http://www.scribd.com/>, or students can download classics from <http://www.gutenberg.org/> or from Google books.
- Create QR codes for recommended videos from YouTube or other video sharing sites. You could also have a QR code for a worksheet with activities for the students to do while they watch it.

- Create QR codes for recommended audio books or podcasts for students to listen to.

MARKETING

- Add QR codes to any brochures and promotional materials round your school. Then students can download a PDF version to their device and you can save money on printing. You can also update your materials without having to re-print them or change the QR code.
- Create a QR code with a link to a Google map showing the location of the school and add this to marketing materials to help people find the school.

Benefits:

- Reduced costs of photocopying.
- Reduced costs of printing marketing materials.
- Reduced costs of storage and shelf space in library or self access centre.
- Reduced cost of lost books, CDs, video, magazines etc.
- Reduced costs of buying magazines, newspapers etc.
- Increased engagement with learning materials.
- Increased engagement with marketing materials.
- Increased learning opportunities within the school environment.
- A 21st century mobile friendly learning environment.