

# **Sidecar Digital Future for Education**

**Strategic Proposal** 



# Scottish Education: The Digital Journey Ahead

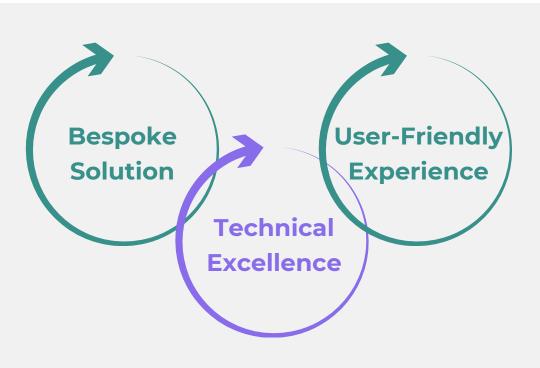
In Scotland, education stands at the cusp of a digital revolution. As we embrace changes to foster inclusivity and enhance learning experiences, we are now tasked with creating environments that not only meet today's demands but also prepare students for tomorrow's challenges. This requires innovative solutions, adaptable learning pathways, and robust digital platforms to streamline educational processes.

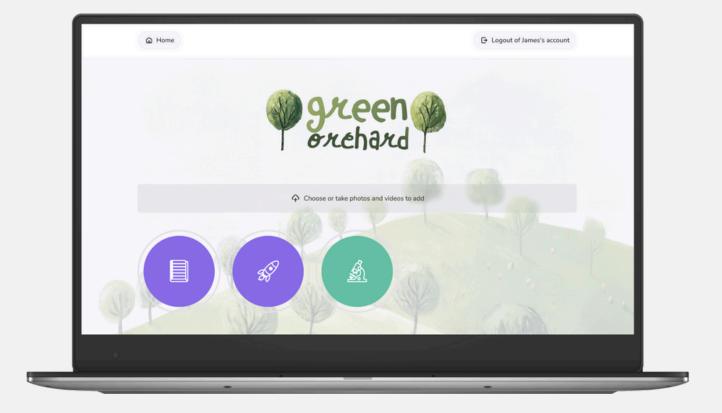


# Sidecar for Education

Tailor-Made Innovation

**Sidecar for Education** offers bespoke student profiles, portfolios, and skill builders designed to match your school's unique identity and values. By leveraging Microsoft 365, Microsoft Teams, and Glow, Sidecar empowers educators and students, enhancing collaboration and learning experiences.





## A Personalised Portal for Student Success

Most digital tools force schools to mold their unique methods and philosophies to fit pre-designed platforms. Sidecar eliminates this by consulting with schools to create bespoke digital solutions that reflect each institution's individuality. We prioritise privacy, ensuring that student data is stored securely within its existing ecosystem, significantly reducing compliance burdens such as GDPR concerns.

# **Core** Functionality



#### **Student Portfolios**

A central hub for collecting and showcasing student work and achievements.



#### **Adaptive Interface**

Tailors to all age groups and evolves with students as they progress through their educational journey.



#### Security

Utilises Microsoft data management for high-level privacy and security without third-party involvement.

#### S Exploration



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James showed a respect for nature & was very responsible. He was especially interested in the plants & bugs.

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### Y Achievements & Celebrations

#### Highlight student milestones, projects, and certifications.

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#### Resume & Personal Statement Support

Prepares older students for life beyond school with guided long-form writing.



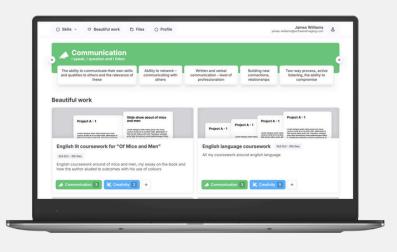


#### Collaboration

Enables seamless interaction between students, teachers, mentors, and leaders with integrated feedback and communication tools.

#### Teacher & Administrator Portal

Fully equipped back office for managing students, groups, and settings.



# **Bespoke** Elements



**Personalise the platform** to match your school's branding and assessment criteria.



**Incorporate your own** assessment criteria and values.

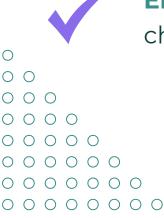
**Customise** flexible group structures and integrate existing workflows.



**Provide tailored access** for parents to engage with student profiles.



**Equip students** to carry their portfolios from education to employment.



**Ensure continuity** of student profiles when changing schools.

# Success at Banff Academy: A Case Study in Digital Transformation

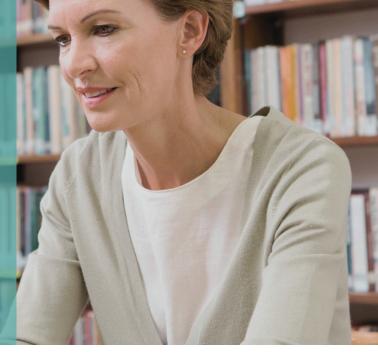


#### Background

Located in Banff, Aberdeenshire, Banff Academy champions "Building Skills for today, tomorrow, and the future." The school faced challenges in implementing effective project-based learning due to the lack of a digital portfolio system essential for student engagement and assessment.

#### Challenge

Existing digital tools were inefficient, hindering feedback and progress tracking, and underscored the need for a user-friendly, tailored platform.



#### **Solution with Sidecar**

We developed a bespoke digital profile solution which facilitates project documentation and skill assessment through Microsoft 365. This central portfolio allows students to monitor progress, from their first school days to graduation.



Centralised Student Portfolios

A comprehensive profile highlighting achievements and skills.



Enhanced Collaboration

A digital space fostering communication and feedback.



Secure Data Management

Compliant with GDPR, ensuring data privacy.





Banff Academy's digital student portal seamlessly integrates with their ethos, providing a cohesive experience that not only enhances student learning but also equips them for future academic and career opportunities. With this platform, students can showcase their work, track milestones, and ensure all achievements are stored securely.

#### "Our partnership was mission critical for us because we achieved our goal.

Together, we created an entirely custom digital portfolio that stored all student work, alongside a profile highlighting additional skills they can acquire beyond traditional academic subjects."

Nick Mochan Depute Head Teacher, Banff Academy



# **Sidecar**

# Empowering learners today for a brighter tomorrow.







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