

# Transforming **learning** with the power of print



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## The Client

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With 185 pupils on its register, St Helen's CofE Primary School in Cliffe, Rochester is a typical rural village school in Kent.

Children work hard and dedicated teachers, with support staff, put in a lot of hard work to ensure the youngsters have a bright start to their learning.

It has received praise from Ofsted after its most recent inspection, and the school is clearly a place where as the pupils begin to learn in a safe environment, all staff, governors and parents ensure that they get what they need.

## The Challenge

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But, like many primary schools up and down the country, the management team have to keep a close eye on budgets and particularly so when it comes to printing. Which is not surprising when this school was spending in excess of £1,200 a month on ink alone.

And even though this may seem a high cost, the school does not actually print everything it sends out to parents and children as it uses email to communicate with its parents.



This cost is quite typical of schools. From our experience and knowledge, we know that an average primary school with approximately 250 pupils would produce anything between 350,000 and 500,000 copies/prints a year (mixed colour and black and white).

According to the school secretary, Lynn Soules, staff were relying on using a colour photocopier, and, with the colour toner cartridges, that's what was proving to be costly part of the school's precious finances.

It was also proving costly in terms of time; the machine wasn't fast and with all teachers networked up to it, there would be a backlog of jobs and papers would be collected at some point in the day.

The school needed to be able to reduce and better manage printing costs, while maintaining the colour option and the ability to create displays.



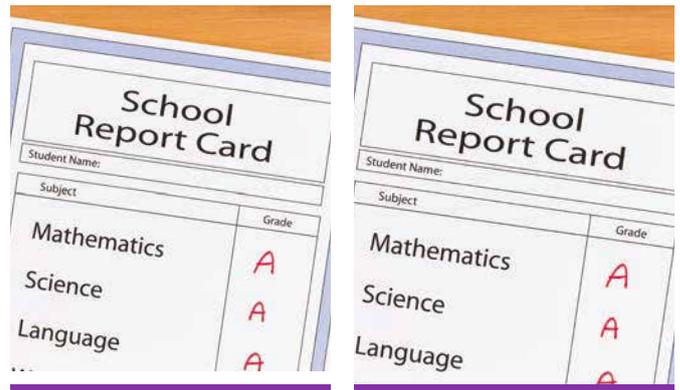
## The Solution

That's where the Riso ComColor comes in. It's reliability, low print costs, and high speed were the key criteria.

The Riso solution has transformed the way the school prints. Not only can teachers print newsletters and pupils' work at speed, they can add colour to the printed materials for little more than printing in black and white.

And, a real aid to learning, booklets can be produced easily by using the booklet programme. This orders the print output into the required booklet layout saving staff valuable time.

Also ideal for schools is the booklet maker, that can print, fold and staple.



The Riso has proved to be transformational, as Lynn says: "The machine is very fast, and gives us the colour option too. The booklet programme is not only proving useful, it is also saving us money on paper too."

And she adds: "The service from Riso is very good too, and I personally have recommended the company and its printers to other people and schools."



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