

MISSING SCHOOL

Children
should be
seen and
heard.



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The first thing we want you to know: **YOU ARE NOT ALONE**

When a child has a serious illness or injury, it's not easy. Right alongside the medical situation sits the worry about them missing school. Not just because they miss their learning but, crucially, they can feel lonely and left out. We're here to help. We started in 2012 from the personal experience of parents with sick kids. We help schools to meet the Disability Standards for Education for kids with serious illness or injury when they miss school. And families like yours to solve the challenges around social isolation.



Reducing social isolation

Facing their illness or injury is hard on kids. It's even harder when missing school means they miss their learning, friends and fun. We believe that all children should be seen and heard, so we're helping to keep sick kids connected to their regular classrooms from hospital or home. To make this happen, we're working closely with families, schools, and education and health systems nationwide, every day.



Sick kids can go to school without going to school

Our free-to-families robot and school technology service connects sick kids to their friends, their learning and their school community when they can't attend. New technologies allow the kids to dial into classes from hospital or home to see and hear, be seen and heard, and take their lessons in real-time. The kids can remotely operate and move their robot around their classroom, or participate through other technologies, as if they're there.



A game changer for sick kids

The 'human' characteristics and interactivity of the robots cultivate greater social attachment through social experiences. The robots and school technology make space for your child in their school and increase their sense of agency by ensuring they are 'present' even when their illness or injury means they can't be there physically. Importantly, they can join in school social aspects, like playing, lunchtime, and assemblies.



Help your child stay connected

To register your interest, simply scan the QR code on this flyer. We'll be in touch to set up a discovery session to find out more about your child's social and educational needs. We'll explain all our steps through a series of straightforward communications, and we'll work with you and your child's school to get a plan.



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Your child matters

Your child deserves a meaningful education and a sense of belonging in their school, regardless of their health situation. We passionately believe that school connection will keep your child in sync socially, nurturing their resilience and identity as a learner. This offers hope by showing your child that they are worth educating and they haven't been forgotten.

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