Bookmark update 10.9.12

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Update 10.9.12 (580)

Bookmark version 10.9.12 (build 580) is now available.

- Class codes automatically changed when importing borrower data
- Disable emailing overdue notices to specific addresses or borrowers
- Password request when issuing an item on loan to a different borrower

All Bookmark users are urged to update to 10.9.12 as soon as possible!

(Reminder: to 'opt into' automatic updating, Settings > Genereal > System > Automatic Update)

Automatic Change Class Codes

Bookmark can import ("read in") data from almost any school administration system.

Export or save the student data from the admin system, then get Bookmark to open the saved file and import that data in a few minutes.

Borrowers > Rollover > Import.

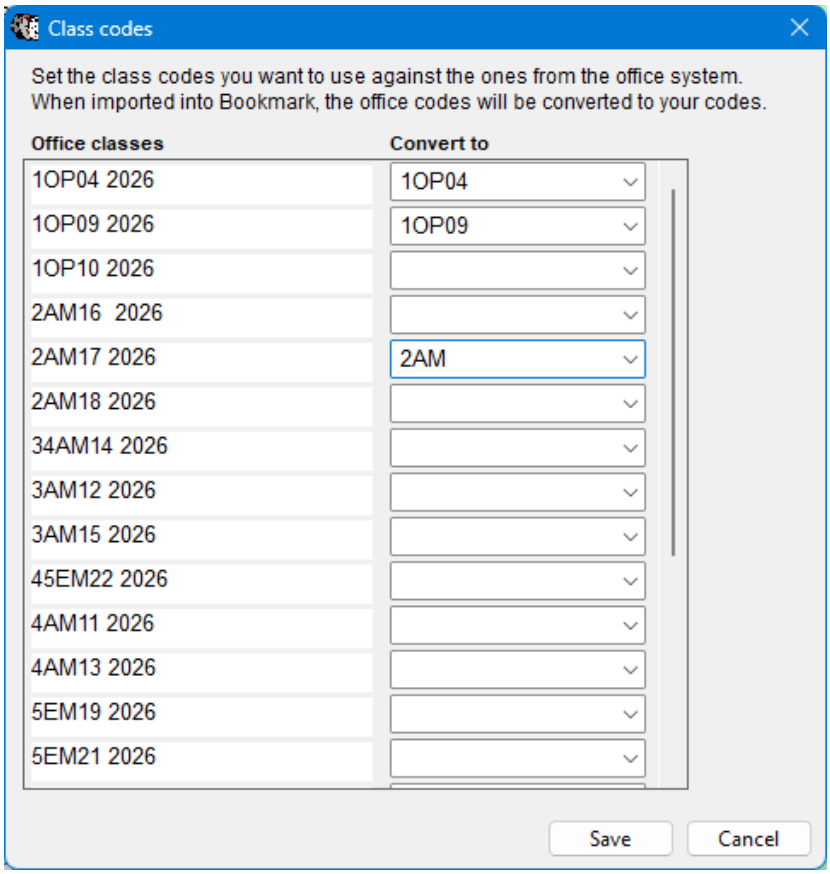
Data can be transferred from EMS (South Australia), Cases 21 and eHUb (Victoria), RMSIS (WA), OneSchool (Queensland) and other systems. A custom setup allows importing data from almost any other system that can generate ("export") student data into a file in CSV or TSV format.

The class codes used in the office may not suit what you would like in Bookmark. A new function has been added that automatically changes the codes during the import. No need to do global changes and other corrections after importing.

Click on the "Configure classes" button at the lower left.

Use the popup file-requester to locate and open the file containing the student data.

The classes as they are in the file are listed.



Next to each, type in the code you wish to use instead of the office code in the file. If blank, the office code will be imported as is. Click on the dropdown list arrow to choose an existing code.

Save.

When students are imported, class codes are automatically changed as they are saved.

See the "Transferring student data" fact sheets for information on how to import student data.

Blocking Overdue Notice Emails

Bookmark can send out overdue notices and lists as emails.

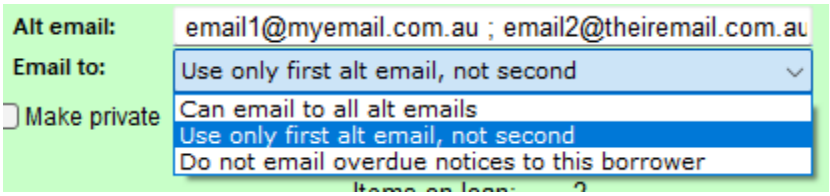
Lists of items overdue can be emailed to teachers.

Overdue notices can be printed, saved as PDF's, or emailed in HTML format to either the student or "alt" (guardian) email addresses.

The alt email field in Borrowers AddEdit Items can contain more than one email address. They are separated by a semi-colon.

When student data is imported, all email addresses are imported, unless the Field to Import control blocks this. It is all-or-nothing. All emails are imported or none.

After a recent meeting with SA Department for Education's ICT Services Cybersecurity, a new function has been added that allows blocking selected email addresses so overdue notices are not sent to them and only sent to the allowed addresses. This appears in AddEdit Borrowers, just beneath the "Alt email" field on the right side. (Alt email usually holds guardian email addresses.)



The dropdown list provides three options:

1. Can email to all alt emails. This option does not block any email addresses in the Alt Email field.

2. Use only first alt email, not second. This option causes an overdue notice to be emailed only to the first address. The notice is not emailed to any others. This is the default.

3. Do not email overdue notices to this borrower.

(The "Make private" is not part of the list but related to the Notice on the left.)

After making a selection, remember to save.

It is the responsibility of the school to ensure overdue notices are emailed to the correct recipient. Importing student data is unable to automatically block or remove specific email

addresses unless the data contains information that can be used to determine which to allow and which to remove. To date, no system provides this.

Bookmark is Continuing

Again, rumours seem to be making the rounds that Bookmark is being closed down, discontinued, out of date, "legacy", and so on.

None of these are true.

Support for Bookmark is continuing.

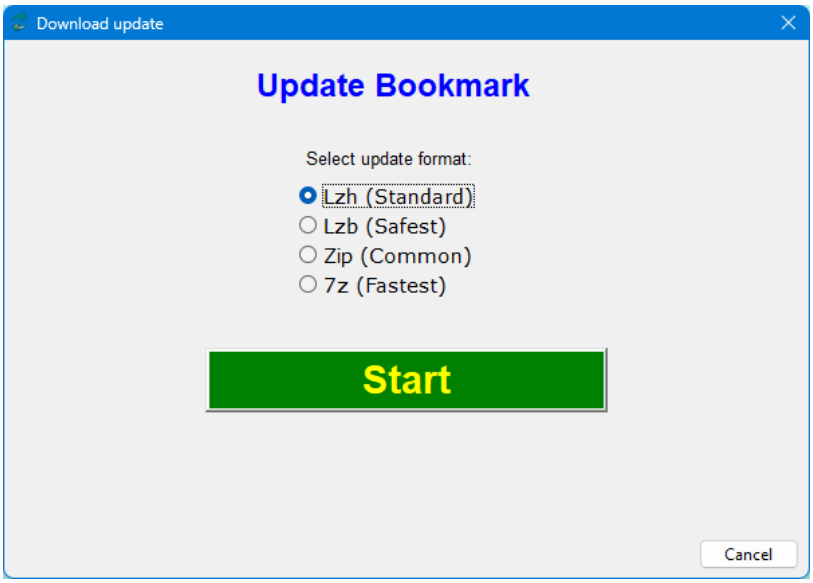
Updating the software is continuing. This includes new components like Online Cataloguing and updates to CPAC, Bookmark's cloud-based catalogue search system.

Bookmark is one of the longest existing library management system in the world. The first prototype was developed in 1987, and that was based on an earlier system from 1983. The software has been continually updated, re-developed, and continued since then. Four different major rewrites have occurred.

If your library does change to a different system, it is *very important* to notify the Bookmark help desk so we can remove the library or school from our records.

Updating Bookmark

- Open Utilities
- Click on Update
- Click on Easy Update



- Choose an update format. Security systems may slow downloading the common Zip and 7z formats. Lzb is the least affected by scanning. If one format does not seem to work properly, try another.
- Click on Start
- A "container file" is downloaded – i.e. like a box that contains all the parts.
- When downloading is finished, continue with the update.
- The contents of the downloaded update file are extracted.
- When updating is finished, a list is made of the various modules. Click OK
- Re-open Bookmark to complete the update.

Other ways to update are available. Contact the help desk if you encounter any problem.