



Lockdown Alert, Class Change, Synchronised Clock and PA Systems for Schools

Increasing safety, communication & learning time in your school

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Enabling schools to react to emergency situations, increase learning time, improve punctuality and save costs



Core benefits:

- + Enable schools to broadcast a **distinct lockdown alert** using a range of wired and **remote trigger** methods
- + Class change alerts are automatic, synchronised and easy to schedule
- + All school clocks always show the correct time
- + **Different zones** can be created, each having specific alert times, melodies and live or recorded announcements
- + Personalised announcements are created for special events and broadcast at the touch of a button, such as lockdown, evacuation and wet break
- + Messages can be announced via microphone either over the whole site or to specific zones, or via our Harmonys Talk app or scheduled via the easy to use software
- + Music can be streamed
- + Control of utility services such as heating, lighting and Access Control
- + Messages can be communicated through luminous strobes and time or text display

Improve safety and communication

Using a fire bell to announce class change as well as all emergency situations (such as evacuation and lockdown) can lead to confusion for both staff and pupils. It also goes against government recommendations for lockdown procedures.

With Bodet's Harmonys Sounder System, if an emergency situation arises, you can **play customisable messages at the touch of a button.** This allows pupils and staff to immediately know what is happening and what type of response it requires. In the event of a possible violent intruder on the premises, the last thing any school wants is pupils streaming out onto a playground and gathering at assembly points. Our range of trigger methods includes a **wired multi-button control panel**, **wireless remote control**, **mobile phone** and **PC** (through our free app).

Voice announcements can also cause confusion for some children with special needs. Another benefit of the Bodet Sounder System is that you can select **calming melodies to differentiate particular announcements** (class change, lunch, end of school). The volume at which they are played can be adjusted from a PC for each sounder, or group of sounders. This ensures all announcements are less traumatic and easily understood. Our Harmonys Trio can also be used in noisy areas, such as music rooms, and for pupils and staff with hearing impairments by communicating through **luminous strobes and time or text displays.**

The system also incorporates a microphone so **live voice announcements** can be made as well as pre-recorded ones. The Harmonys Talk smartphone app also allows you to record and broadcast announcements remotely.

Bodet's Sounder Systems are versatile and ensure that all students and staff are kept fully informed of what is happening and what they need to do in real-time.



More Learning Time

Schools are constantly under pressure from Ofsted and have a duty to parents to increase efficiency and improve standards.

With some schools having in excess of 1000 students and more than 100 teachers on site, just getting staff and students to the right place at the right time can be a major logistical problem.

A two minute delay in starting a class can result in a loss of 1 hour teaching time for each student every week based on 6 classes per day. Over a 40 week year, this amounts to more than a full week of learning time that can potentially be gained by starting and finishing classes on time.

Bodet's NTP/IP/Wireless Clock & Class Change Systems ensure not only that every clock in the school shows the **correct time** but that **class change announcements occur automatically** at the right time so **the school runs more efficiently** and **maximises pupil's learning time**.

Bodet's systems are versatile as they store up to **18 different tones, melodies** or even **pre-recorded voice announcements** as well as having the option to **display a written message**. The software can be programmed so **specific announcements are broadcast** for different alerts such as class changes, break times, lunch times or end of day.



"Teachers wanted to be able to start and end their classes at the right time to maximise the learning experience. The Class Change system ensures classes run on time. and has improved punctuality around the school,"

Simon Richardson, Facilities Manager, Kimbolton School, Cambridgeshire

Save Site Management Time

Site management can be very labour intensive, so anything we can do to automate processes will dramatically **improve efficiency and the smooth running of the school**.

Bodet's class change systems are run from a central PC which includes a master clock. This can then **synchronise every clock** within the school via a **wireless link** so they all show exactly the same time. This ensures the whole school, from teaching and support staff to students all work to the same time frame, even for schools operating over **multiple sites**.

This means site managers no longer have to spend time checking and adjusting all the clocks on site. Clocks **automatically accommodate Summer and Winter changeovers**. The only maintenance needed is changing the batteries every two years.

Easy to install and operate, Bodet's class change system can be programmed so it automatically accommodates holiday periods and special event days. Site managers don't even need to visit the school to change settings. The Bodet system can also be **reprogrammed remotely** from a networked PC.

"With the Bodet system we are able to tailor different sounds to differentiate between breaks, end of playtime and end of the day and it works extremely well. It's been a great help to us in communicating to the children what they need to do and we wouldn't be without it."

Linda Carter, Facilities Manager, The Chiltern School, Bedfordshire



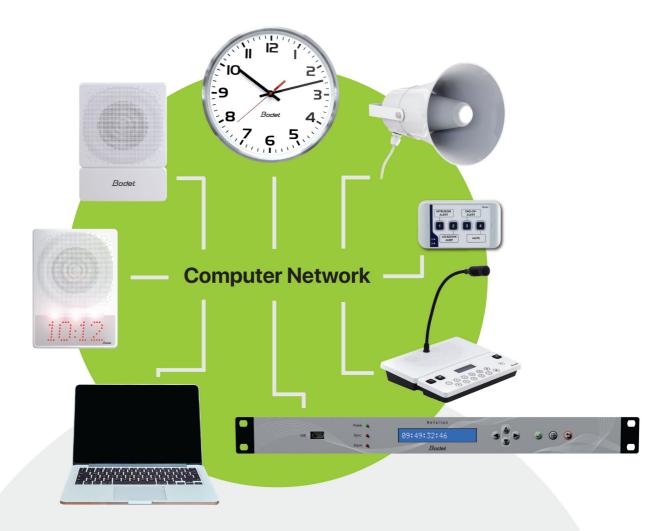


Save costs

In addition to broadcasting and displaying messages and emergency alerts throughout the school site, Bodet's automated Class Change Systems have additional features which can help **improve efficiency** and **reduce the cost of utility services**.

The main control module can incorporate relays that can **activate utility services such as lighting**, **heating and Access Control**. The system can then be programmed to activate and deactivate each of these services so **they run automatically and more efficiently**.

For example, the system can be programmed to deactivate school bells and alerts, and to run heating and lighting to basic maintenance levels during weekends and school holiday periods thereby providing savings in energy costs.



"Bodet's class change system is such an integral part of our school life now that we would be lost without it".

Cecilia Irons, School Business Manager, Farnham Green Primary School, Essex

Easy Installation - Wireless / IP / NTP

Many modern schools are fortunate in having excellent cabling systems built into the infrastructure, but for older schools, running new cabling can be a difficult or expensive.

To ensure that every school can enjoy the benefits of an Emergency Alert, Class Change and Synchronised Clock System, Bodet's solutions utilise the latest communication technology to **make installation easy**.

The Harmonys class change system uses Internet Protocol (IP)

If your school has an established computer network system, the Harmonys Class Change System is ideal for class change and general announcements. It takes its power from and transmits messages via the network which means it requires minimal cabling and is quick and easy to install. Each speaker has its own IP address, so it's easy to set up different zones. Alerts can then be broadcast to the entire site or only to specific areas if required, using a range of wired or remote trigger methods.





The Melodys class change system is available as a wireless option

All wireless sounders are controlled by a master clock to ensure that bell sounds, melodies and voice messages can be heard throughout the whole site or just to specific zones within the school. This means it requires **no cabling between equipment** and is **easy to install**, even to **outside areas and multiple school sites**.

"Our class change system is wireless so there are no cables between equipment.

We can also activate or disable the system during holiday periods, and
this can even be done remotely from off-site."

Martin Redman, Site Manager, Hampton Vale Primary School, Peterborough

Customer feedback

"We can also create specific announcements which tell staff and students clearly what they need to do in an emergency... it's reassuring knowing it's there if such a situation should arise."

> Gaby Clark, School Business Manager, St Francis C of E Primary School

"We didn't use fire bells to announce class changes, as special needs children find harsh, loud sounds very upsetting. The system has been very well received by both staff and students."

> James Stavert, Director of Operations, Blossom Lower School & Upper House

Getting in touch

The Bodet Group has been in the time measurement business since 1868, when French clock-maker Paul Bodet first made his famous 'Tower Clock'. Since then, the company has expanded from Clock making into Lockdown Alert, Class change, It-based Time & Attendance and Access Control solutions.

Today Bodet provides Time Management Solutions tom over 35,000 customers in more than 75 countries worldwide. Please contact us to discuss your requirements in more detail or to arrange a free demonstration of our systems.



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