

NEW Switched-On Schoolhouse 2009 Features

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New Format for the Home Page	A fun new way to view SOS, with helpful and interesting new bites of information displayed in widgets of your choosing!	Allows you and your students to modify your Home page and easily access daily work and tools with a single click.
MiSOS Themes	All new, themes for teachers. Themes for students have a new look and feel. Optional widgets available for all.	Allows you and your students to personalize the look and feel of SOS. You even have a customizable theme, so make it your own! You control what options your students have available to choose among.
Daily Work Report	One page summary of the work done by your student(s) for the day.	Lets you see exactly which lessons, projects, quizzes and tests your student spent time working on for a specified date.
Redesigned Student Schoolwork Page	Emphasis on "Current Assignments", with a reminder to double-click to open assignments, and blue links for active assignments.	Makes it very simple for students to see at a glance, which assignments they need to work on today.
Simplified Exclude Day Process	More intuitive flow to exclude a range of days or a repeating day as a schoolday.	Simplified the process to exclude days from your school calendar and added on-screen instructions.
Modified Term and Calendar Screens	Expanded instruction of calendar functions.	Instructions available on-screen immediately.
Pre-installed Sample Lessons	We've made it easier for you to access and assign the Sample Lessons.	Forget installing the practice lessons. They are already there for you.
Copy Curriculum Capability for Students	Students can copy SOS curriculum onto their computer.	Enables students to copy curriculum directly onto their own computer, so they no longer have to use the CD to access their schoolwork.
Context Sensitive Help Feature	Press F1 on a number of the forms in SOS and go directly to the Help for that form.	One-click takes you directly to help for the SOS window you are currently viewing. Saves you search time.
New Lesson Plan Icons	Visual alert on Lesson Plan screen for all assignment types	Identify, at a glance, if an assignment is a lesson, project, quiz or test.
Single-click to Zero-out an Assignment	One-step method to clear the work and grades in an assignment and mark it as complete.	Provides a point-and-click, single step to clear work and mark it done.
Keyboard Shortcut for "Save & Exit" functions	Provides a streamlined method for grading student's work.	Makes grading simpler for you by using a one-click shortcut to "save and exit" after grading an assignment.
Additional Access to Create Custom Assignments	Use the Edit Student Subject window to create a custom assignment for a student.	Provides you an additional option to creating custom assignments for your students.