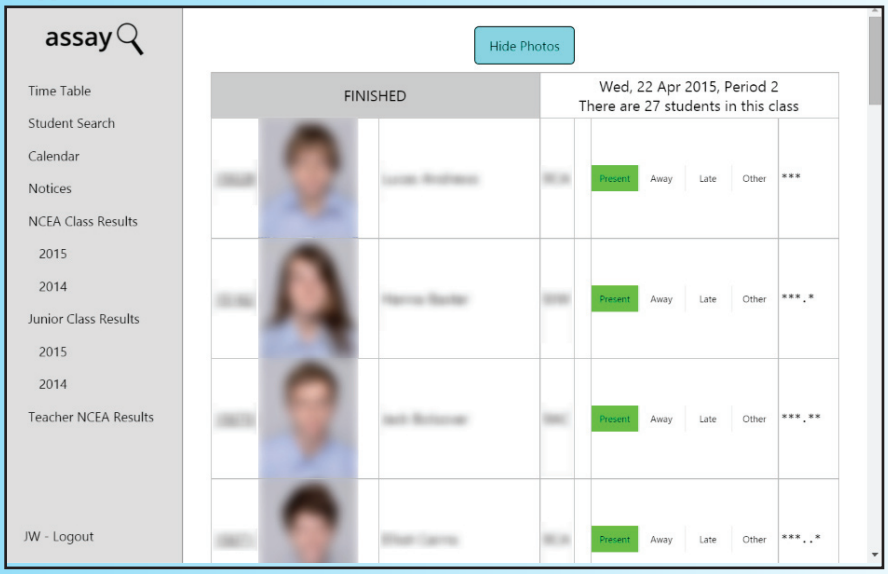
Assay - making KAMAR™ accessible

KAMAR™ is a very powerful tool. There is data to burn under the hood, but it is a bit slow on the dragstrip. We are busy people. We'll use data when we can get it fast and in an easily digestible form. The answer to KAMAR™'s speedbump for the team at Assay was to put the data from KAMAR™ on the web, improve the graphics and speed everything up. Have a look at what we have done.

Firstly....what do teachers want the most?

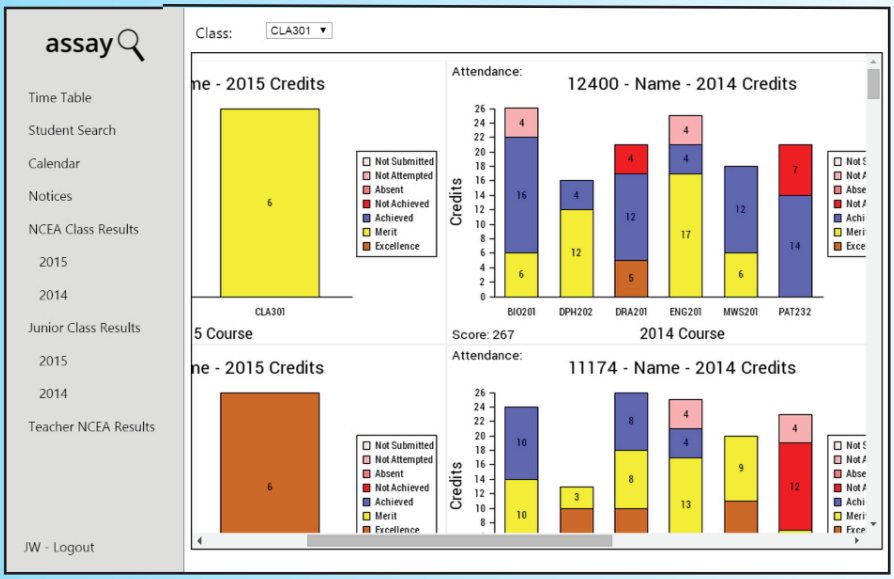
I want to do attendance quickly and on any device, read the notices, find a parent's email address etc.

No problem: Your attendance loads within seconds complete with student photos. Click the same as you do on KAMAR™. Basic information on students is all there. Be halfway through the notices before KAMAR has woken up.



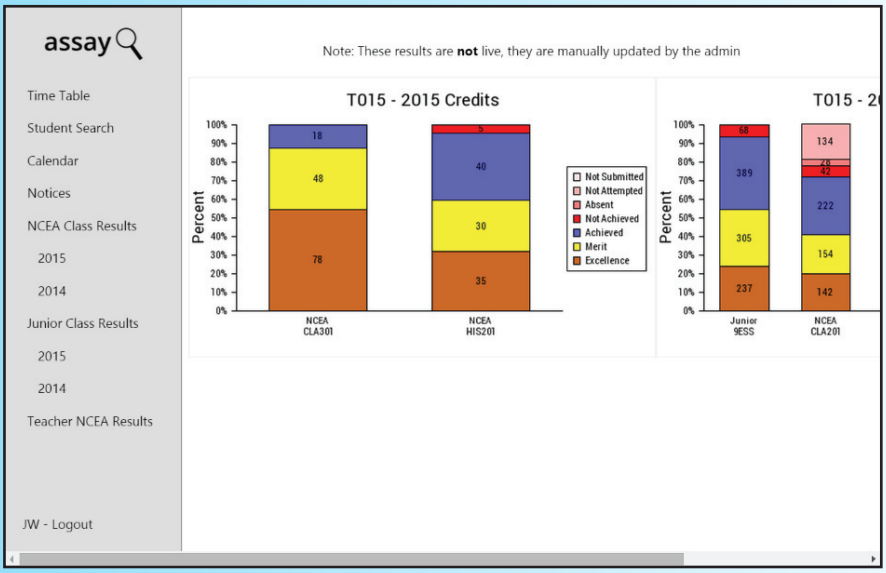
I want a way to quickly see how each of my students is going compared to their other classes, previous years' results and their intake data such as PATs.....

Easy: Assay gives you your current classes by student in a form which gives an instant picture for each individual



I want a way to quickly see how my whole class is going.....

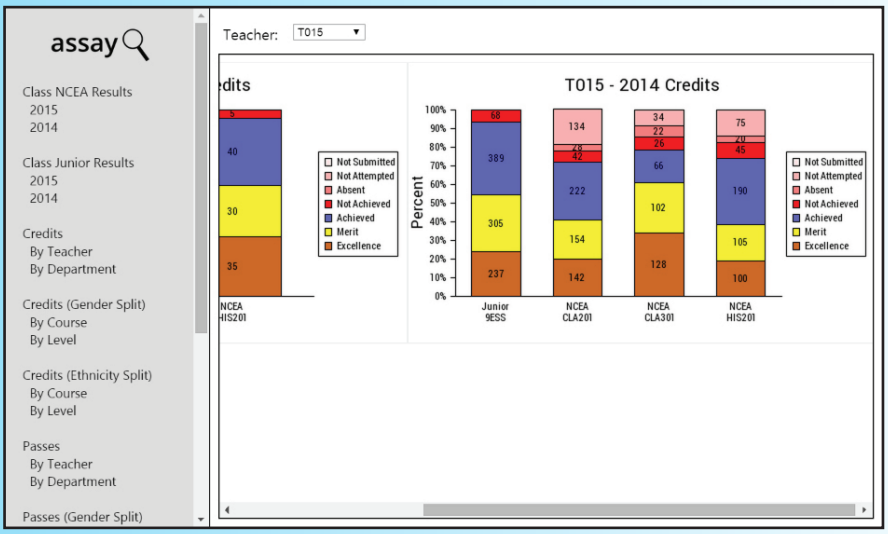
Simple: At click of a mouse, you can see how each class is achieving and how your classes finished up the previous year.



HODs and School Leaders need some extra features...

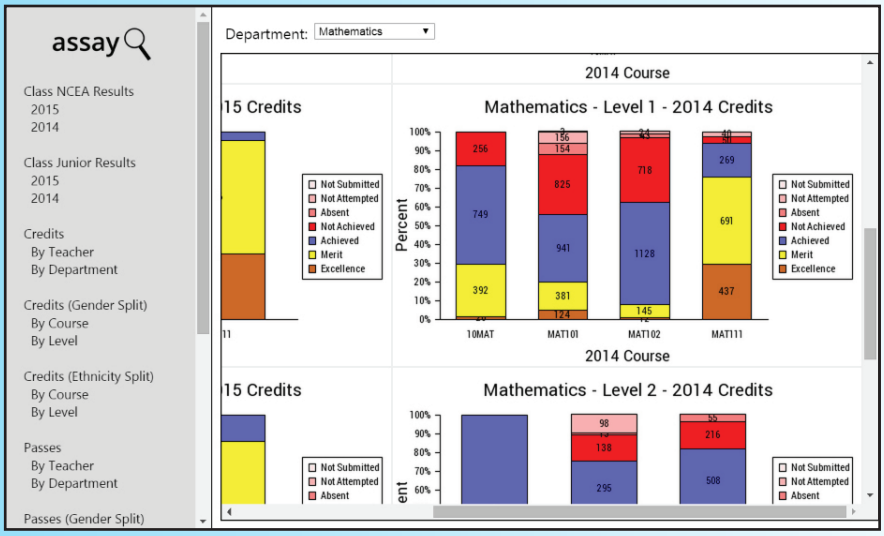
I want to see how my teacher's classes are tracking.

It's all there in a digital heartbeat. The graphs on Assay allow you to see everything from 'Not Submitted' to 'Excellence'.



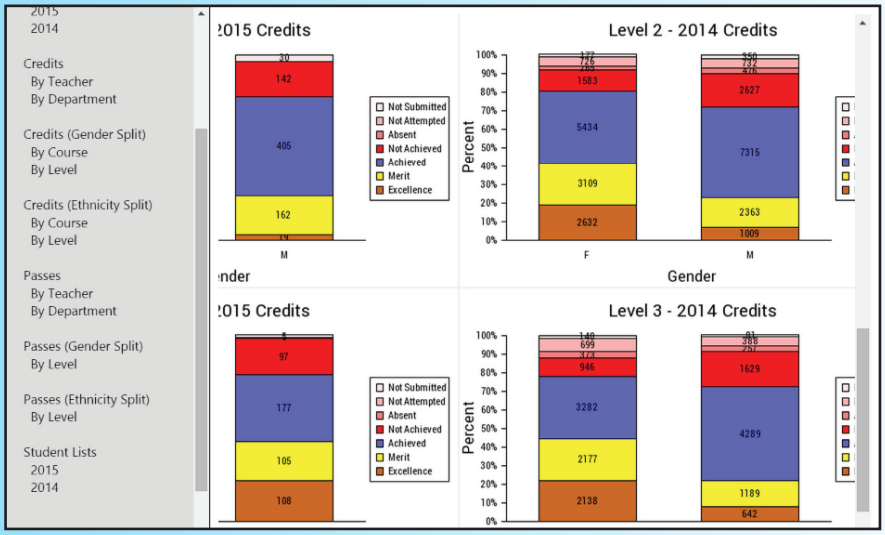
I'm wondering how my department as a whole is going.

HODs need to be able to keep on top of this during the year, not just report on it at the end. Assay makes this easy.



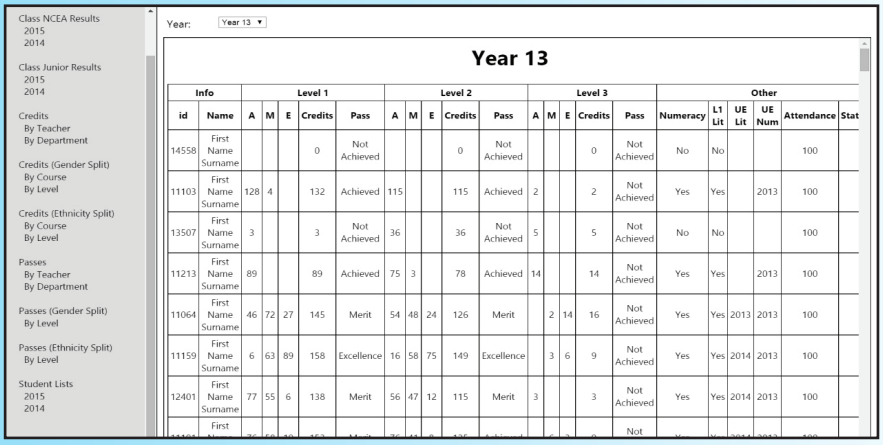
Are we making progress on our gender and ethnicity goals?

Easy with Assay. Yes, the girls are doing better....no surprises there....



Especially for Deans: *I want to track a student's progress against previous results and attendance, pastoral and intake data.*

This is an area with lots of promise. We have made a start and will be continuing to work on improvements in Assay's reporting capabilities.



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11213	First Name Surname	89			89	Achieved	75	3		78	Achieved	14			14	Not Achieved	Yes	Yes		2013	100	
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How much does Assay cost?

Less than you would think

Small schools: (up to 750)	$200
Medium schools: (751-1200)	$350
Larger schools: (>1201)	$500

SPECIAL OFFER: $50 off if ordered before the end of May 2015.

That's less than 50c per child. This is not a licensed product. You only pay once. If you use our servers to store your data, there is an annual cost of $50. Obviously no cost if it goes on your own server, but you are responsible for the maintenance of that server.

FAQs

Is ASSAY fully web-based? Yes and No. The attendance data is live and works in a similar way to the KAMAR™ app. However, the achievement data requires a very simple manual update, preferably daily. This can be done by the Office staff at a daily time cost of about 5 minutes.

Is it easy to install? Yes. Your IT technician will be able to do this. However, if you have a more complex system (for example, a points-based junior graduation system), we can make that data viewable on Assay. There will be extra, but reasonable, setup costs.

If our data is on your server, how do know that privacy will be maintained? If the site is on our server, you will receive a signed commitment on the privacy of your data. If it is on your server, privacy is clearly not an issue.

How long will it take to set up? Overnight if on our server. If it is on yours, we provide the files and any helpdesk support you need.

Will teachers be able to see their colleagues results? To a limited extent, though you can do the same on KAMAR™ now anyway. Those with access to the more detailed data will be able to see everything.

Are there things KAMAR™ does that Assay doesn't? Yes, plenty. Assay does not do bulk emails, messaging, and many other things. It improves your KAMAR™ service. It will not replace it.

Give it a try

We have made sample data available at: assay.co.nz/demo

Username and password are both demo.

While the data that the demo version contains is not a complete set, it will give you a good picture of the possibilities that Assay offers you.

We regard Assay as a work in progress. Email us your ideas for improvement and we will do our best to incorporate them.

Email now:
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