

# First Class 2000 Release Notes – Build 235

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Menu	Sub-Menu	Details
General	Windows	Window selection works much better now. In certain circumstances, trying to make a window active was unsuccessful.
File	Import-Text files	You can now import forms, teachers, rooms, students (optional with choices), choices only, year levels and year level-rollovers into an existing database. New items are appended to existing ones.
	Import-Extras	It is now possible to import your extras history into your new timetable database.
Maintenance	Extras	Changing "Period From" and "Period To" in timetables with more than 10 periods is working correctly now.
		The number of frees was sometimes showing as 0 while the teacher was being shown as available for extras. This now shows the correct number of frees.
		"Today's Extras" report now shows the form or the block name. Formerly it left this blank if the class was part of a block. Some reports that spanned two pages now fit into one.
		The "underallotted" column is now showing accurate figures. It wasn't tallying this type of extra up at all.
	Allocations	This section has been completely overhauled. Now, if an allocation had varying lengths, instead of having to "add" the allocation a number of times, you can do this all in one move.
		Both forms and teachers are now optional when defining an allocation, and you can filter for both as well.
		If an allocation is edited in any way, it is removed from the timetable.
		An allocation can now be added to all forms in a year level. This will be useful for adding core subjects to forms.
		The "Teacher" filter now only shows non-emergency teachers.
	Blocks	Room groups are now listed first in the room drop-down list. Also, the text has changed from Room Group #AAA to just "Group AAA"
Student-Subject choice	You can now use the keyboard to enter students' choices. Typing in the first few characters of a subject code will highlight the first subject starting with those characters. Pressing <Enter> then adds the subject to the student's choices. A similar method can be used to delete the subject.	
Tools	Timetables	Clash details now show when requested in period swap window.
		The "View/Edit" mode is now operating and an "Undo" button has been added.
		"Save" and "Undo" only become active when you have made changes.
		You can now split consecutive allocations and join identical adjacent allocations.
		You can now swap whole days, whole periods and whole Day/Period slots with another one. There is a warning if the swap involves unavailable teachers or rooms. If a Day/Period slot is swapped, and "Period no start" clashes are created, you are warned of this.
		Any pre-existing "Period no start" clashes can be viewed by selecting the appropriate option from the right-click menu.
		The tree-view browser opens automatically, even if it was closed when the timetables window was closed.

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	<b>Timetable Generation</b>	The "Postpone/Stop" combo box has been removed, as this isn't used at the moment. Unless there are requests for this method of timetabling to be re-introduced, this removal may remain permanent.
<b>Reports</b>	<b>Student Information Sheets</b>	There are now many more options here. You can filter for particular students or year levels, format for guillotine, show subjects in line order, format for two columns and omit the headers and footers.

Items shaded in grey are new features.