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# Toomey

# CLEVERTOUCH

Case Study



# Introduction

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Scoil Aonghusa based in Tallaght caters for 189 boys and girls and is situated with a staff of 17 teachers near to Tymon park in Dublin.

When the school first opened doors in 1975, Tallaght as then at its peak of rapid development and growth.

In 2007 Principal Theresa Clarke took over and she decided it was time to move technology out of the computer room and into the everyday classroom. At that time a much needed grant permitted the installation of projectors and eBeams devices into each classroom and thus a journey into the integration of technology into everyday pedagogy in Scoil Aonghusa had began.

Innovation and keeping pace is very much a part of this schools DNA but they resisted the temptation over the last few years to upgrade to interactive whiteboards with a view to leapfrogging to the next level of innovation in technology in the classroom.

Scoil Aonghusa, Tallagh, Dublin 24

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# The Challenge

With limited funds Theresa needed also to ensure she partnered with a company she could trust. The right technology was also crucial and the school did not want to expose itself to any ongoing increased costs sometimes associated with bringing new technology into a school.

Being aware of the advantages of the interactive whiteboard but also aware of some of the pitfalls the school set out to look at the options available.

# The Technology Solution

According to Theresa "From the start we had an idea we wanted screens as they don't need to have bulbs replaced or filters cleaned.

With the projectors we had to put up black plastic bin liners over the skylights for the kids to be able to see the image well. This is less than ideal for reading and writing as the classrooms then lacked natural light.

We did look at another multimedia solution but we would still have needed to keep the projectors and supply new laptops. It would not have been as costly but the technology was not as relevant."

The ability for the CLEVERTOUCH to not require a laptop to run was welcome news for the school. It meant one less device to have to worry about and it would ensure the investment was always available. to the teacher and students regardless of the status of the teacher's laptop.

"We really wanted to find the best solution we could for our funds and this was when we became interested in the CLEVERTOUCH. We really wanted something that was going to make the teaching a more pleasurable experience and the learning a more pleasurable experience" Theresa added.

Commenting on next steps Theresa said "After Ms Marie Gavigan, Deputy Principal and Ms Audrey Gahan, resource teacher reviewed and tested the CLEVERTOUCH in Citywest we decided the best thing to do was take a giant step rather than a few small steps and we looked at getting in eight screens at the one time for the school."

#### **Partner Selection**

In the past many schools have selected the "cheapest" partner even though the company might be just set up or located miles away from the school.

Scoil Aonghusa truly wanted to ensure they picked a partner that was responsive to issues and a partner they knew they could trust with such a significant investment.

According to Theresa "In the end there really was no contest, we

choose Toomey AV. We knew the team in Toomey as they had serviced our projectors in the past. The guys were very reliable and they have built up a trust with us over the years.

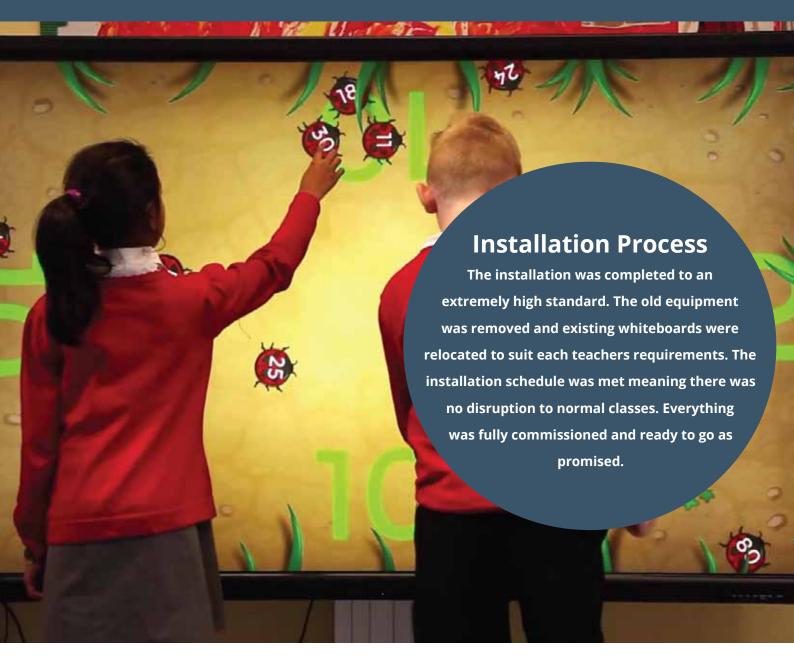
The guys don't just talk off the top of there heads and they always have given us good value."

Toomey also have been supplying education for 45 years now in Ireland so it was obvious they would

be around to supply the 5-year on-site warranty and support moving forward for the school.

Training and support from Toomey on the CLEVERTOUCH is carried out by David Kearney. David is a pioneer of Interactive technology in Ireland who spearheaded the Interactive Whiteboard Project in Drumcondra Education Centre in 2002.

# Results



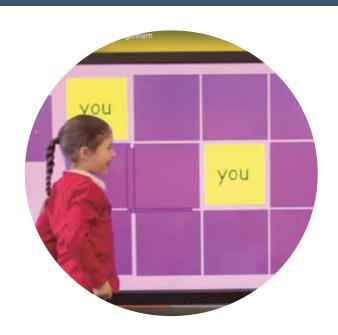
The final installed solution included:

8 x CLEVERTOUCH 65" Interactive Flatscreen displays 8 x Wall Mounting Brackets

VGA & HDMI
Cabling &
Termination

Professional AV Installation End User Training "Everybody who helped us raise funds including the school board, the parents association, children and teachers were very excited to see this project become a reality. Just looking into the classrooms now there is really no comparison in the quality with what we have been using in the past."

Recounting the experience of the CLEVERBOARDS from a child's perspective Theresa finally added: "I went into the classroom the other day and one of the kids said to me 'all we need now are recliner chairs and popcorn.' I was in good form that day. As far as I'm concerned that was the final approval"



## **About Toomey AV**

Toomey Audio Visual has been supplying Irish schools with audio visual equipment for over 45 years. In that time, we have built a reputation for quality, service and back-up support which is unparalleled.

When you purchase from With Toomey Audio Visual, you benefit from a team of expert audio visual demonstrators, installers, technicians, trainers and support technicians who specialize in managing AV equipment specifically in an educational environment.

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### **About Clevertouch**

The development of the Clevertouch range of interactive touchscreens, which Sahara designed and developed specifically for the education market, is based on a growing demand for a screen technology that could be used like a tablet or iPhone.

Since launching their most recent model last year, the Clevertouch Plus has earned an enviable 40% market share of all interactive touchscreen sales. The success of this one stop touchscreen solution can only be attributed to the continual development of the hardware, software and applications, which is based on feedback from Sahara's resellers and end-users within education.

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# Why select CLEVERTOUCH & Toomey AV?

CLEVERTOUCH are Interactive Touchscreen Displays for Education.

Clevertouch Interactive Touchscreens are changing the way we educate our pupils – a durable alternative to interactive Whiteboards and Projector solutions.

CLEVERTOUCH offers innovative features such as (optional) built in PCs and a built in App store that is focused on education.

CLEVERTOUCH offers a five year warranty on its screens

CLEVERTOUCH comes with a variety of education Softwares (Cleverlynx, Displaynote, Snowflake, Clevermaths and Clevernote) All Sofwares are easy to use and are child and teacher friendly!

CLEVERTOUCH is very competitive in price

"We at Toomey Audio Visual are proud to install the Clevertouch Plus Series range in a growing number of forward-looking schools."



## **Additional Advantages**

TOOMEY AUDIO VISUAL is one of the main CLEVER-TOUCH Agents in Ireland.

With a background of 45 years experience in supplying specialist Audio Visual equipment to Irish Schools

TOOMEY AUDIO VISUAL provides a FREE FIVE YEAR support and back-up service, at no hidden service charges or Call-Out fees.

TOOMEY AUDIO VISUAL supplies professional Installation Services Nationwide with our own qualified and experienced in-house technicians.

TOOMEY AUDIO VISUAL has an excellent reputation for reliability and efficiency

TOOMEY AUDIO VISUAL offers a friendly after SALES SERVICE

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