

# **phs** transforms the washrooms at one of the UK's oldest schools

# CASESTUDY

LOCATION Shropshire INDUSTRY PRODUCT Education Washrooms



# THE CHALLENGE

A private school in Oswestry has streamlined its washroom services and improved facilities for its 450 pupils and 130 staff thanks to **phs'** innovative washroom and floorcare solutions.

Oswestry School in Shropshire, which was founded in 1407, is one of the oldest schools in the UK but prides itself on being progressive and forward-thinking, offering the very best for its pupils.

The school noticed an issue with odours in the toilets and noted how much time and money was being spent sourcing everything the school needed to maintain its washrooms from different suppliers.



### THE IMPACT

It's made such a difference. Our mats are regularly serviced by **phs** so they stay effective at all times and our buildings stay clean and dry. The servicing scheduled for our washrooms is also spot on, ensuring all products are regularly serviced, emptied or refilled at our convenience so we never have to worry about them again. Our pupils and staff have noticed the difference too. It makes for a much more pleasant and smooth-running school.

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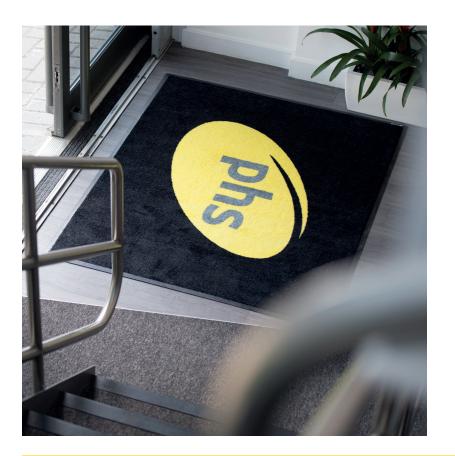
### THE RESULT

**phs** also installed the innovative **FLOW**SAVER **URINAL** water management system at the school, which has helped to reduce the amount of water used per washroom visit as well as reducing the school's overall water bill. The system's infra-red sensors detect movement in the washrooms to maximise water saving, without compromising on hygiene.

# REACTION

We were buying our toilet paper and soaps from local supermarkets, which was time-consuming and inconvenient for staff. We are a big school with large pupil and staff numbers so we needed an efficient, long-term solution and a better way to manage our washrooms. It was no longer an option to rely on staff to notice when we were running low on basic items like toilet tissue. As we have high levels of footfall throughout all parts of the school, this can cause problems when it's wet and muddy. We needed a quality floorcare solution to keep the school buildings hygienic and dry at all times. Luckily, **phs** offered the answer to all our needs.

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### THE SOLUTION

**phs** started working with Oswestry School in 2011, creating a bespoke washroom package designed to meet its specific needs. As well as setting up a consumables contract to ensure washroom basics like toilet tissues and soap are regularly supplied so that stock never runs low, **phs** supplied washroom dispensers, sanitary disposal, hand dryers, air fresheners and vending machines for every washroom in the school.

Waste from its sanitary disposal units is processed by **phs** LifeCycle, which diverts the waste from landfill and processes it as an alternative fuel source. **phs** LifeCycle is a patented process that shreds and compresses the wet waste to extract the liquid, chemically treats the dry waste and turns it into waste bales to be used as 'Refuse Derived Fuel'.



After analysing footfall at the school and identifying the highest impact areas, **phs** created a floorcare package to suit the school's exact needs, including standard mats and loose lay mats designed to pick up and trap dirt and moisture.



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