

UPDATES TO WES SERVICES FOR 2026/27

Prices

We strive to keep price adjustments for WES Subscription Services as low as possible, ensuring that you receive high-quality services at real value for money. You can view your school's bespoke price list and order form for WES Services for 2026/27 by visiting the 'my account' section on the WES website.

New Services

SCHOOLS LIBRARY SERVICE

We have added a new **SEND Resources Collection Subscription** to our offer. These collections are designed to encourage a love of stories and learning for children with additional needs. The collections include a range of specialist books and artefacts that are handpicked based on individual school requirements. These can be accessed by all schools and are delivered termly – check out your online subscription order form for prices.

HERITAGE EDUCATION SERVICE

The following two new buy as you need services are now available – to purchase these or any of our Heritage Education buy as you need services, please email heritagelearning@warwickshire.gov.uk

- Our **SEND Provision** provides sensory resources for children with SEND to engage with our heritage learning experiences within their class. Or take the option of a sensory trail of our building and garden using new resource packs.
- Through our **Key Stage 3 history curriculum consultation**, we can support you to integrate local history into your existing KS3 History curriculum. Our team will collaborate with your history department to identify local history links and primary sources linked to your curriculum. The consultation also includes up to 20 images for use in the classroom.





Enhancements to Existing Services

HR & PAYROLL SERVICE

As part of the **Payroll Subscription**, you will now be allocated a designated payroll contact for support and receive scheduled access to payroll and system training webinars to assist with queries and enhance the skills of relevant school staff.

New Buy As You Need Services

from the Payroll Service include:

- YourHR face to face bespoke training.
- Face-to-face site visit for a health check or other customer request.
- Payroll input on customer's behalf.

To purchase any of our Buy As You Need Services, please contact the service directly by submitting a request via the customer portal (Hornbill) or call 01926 418614 during office hours.

Changes to Our Service Offer

EDUCATION FINANCE SERVICE

The Council's contract for budget planning software is due to go out to tender ahead of the 2026/27 academic year. If there are any changes to services or pricing as a result of this, all customers will be notified before 1 September 2026.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS SERVICE

We have updated this service to reflect new guidance from the Department for Education. Please read the service specification on the WES website for full details of the new updated service offer.

HEALTH & SAFETY SERVICE

We will no longer be providing Kiln, Pottery and DT inspections, meaning schools will need to purchase these services directly elsewhere in the future. If you have any queries, please contact Health & Safety on 01926 412440.

CATERING & SCHOOL MEALS SERVICE DELIVERED BY EDUCATERERS LTD

Lunchtime Co., a specialist education catering company, has acquired Educaterers from Warwickshire County Council. Educaterers will continue to operate under its current name, with the same team, values, and relationships. All future enquiries regarding your Catering services from Educaterers should be made directly to Educaterers at contactus@educaterers.co.uk

