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WELCOME

Great ideas are meant for sharing so we thought we would show you what we have been up to in schools and colleges near you....

Driven by our ever-increasing requests from customers to advance school facilities and maximise the potential from every student, Westcountry Group is a leading supplier of educational refurbishments and furniture in the South of England. Our customers come to us because we:

- Offer free and informal consultations to discover your needs and help you achieve the vision for your school.
- Combine over 45 years' experience with your visions to maximum effect – all within your budget.
- Deliver and install our concepts within your timescales and to your complete satisfaction. We genuinely care about the results – whatever size the project is.
- Supply, assemble, install the furniture, and take away the packaging – there are no flat-pack horror stories here!
- Leave your school clean and tidy – leave the clearing up to us!

So, grab a coffee, take a good look through our portfolio, and see what we could do for your school! Then give us a no-obligation call to discuss your needs, however great or small, whether it be space and storage or expanding pupil numbers, and we will discuss how we can help.

Check out our website, westcountrygroup.com, for additional projects and inspirational ideas.

Kind regards,

Miles Liesching

Miles Liesching
Managing Director

OUR SERVICES

We refurbish
and furnish...

RECEPTIONS



OFFICES



DINING HALLS



SCIENCE LABS



FOOD TECH ROOMS



WASHROOMS



IT SUITES



TEACHING WALLS



STUDY ZONES



LIBRARIES



LOCKER ROOMS



SIXTH FORMS



CLASSROOMS



STAFFROOMS



We will look after your...

FURNITURE
CEILINGS
WALL GRAPHICS
PLUMBING
ELECTRICS
FLOORING

And you will enjoy all this too...

FREE SITE VISITS
3D AND 4D VIRTUAL
REALITY DESIGNS
CAPTIVATING
MOODBOARDS
COMPLETE PROJECT
MANAGEMENT
OLD FURNITURE
REMOVAL & RECYCLING

Creating inspirational spaces for your school



THE FOUR STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT

1

DEFINE

We will listen carefully as you share your ideas and desired outcomes with us and we will help you get your ideas down on paper.

2

DESIGN

We will develop a design built specifically for your school that addresses the key important points and fully meets your needs.

3

INSTALLATION

Our teams of interior designers, project managers and fitters work closely together to ensure each project is delivered within your budget and time requirements, leaving you to focus on key managerial tasks.

4

HANDOVER

Once everything is perfect, we hand over the project for you and your staff to enjoy and we will be available for on-going support with our after-sales service.



For a FREE site visit and space plan call our experienced team today on **0330 030 0330** or email sales@westcountrygroup.com

A TRIED AND TRUSTED APPROACH



Once your brief is agreed, our talented interior design team will set to work to create a space that exceeds your expectations, but not your budget.



We will develop plans, sections, elevations, 3D and 4D visuals to bring your new space to life! We will help you visualise your finished interior before committing. You can 'walk around' in your new space before it exists!



Working in accordance with the latest Building Regulations, Health and Safety Legislation and design trends, we will develop inspiring spaces that are cost-effective and highly functional.



OUR INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICE



A unique 'Total Interiors' managed service, offering you everything you will need on the journey from an initial site visit right through to project completion.



One company, one point of contact with our all-in-one project management, interior design, 3D and 4D space-plan capabilities and more.



A dedicated account manager on hand for every question you have.



A flexible team that will accommodate projects of any size – from a single chair to a whole school fit-out or refurbishment.



Peace of mind knowing our skilled team have a reassuring 45+ years' experience.



CAD IMAGE

PHOTO OF THE FINISHED SPACE



EXETER SCHOOL

PROJECT Sixth Form Refurbishment | **LOCATION** Exeter, Devon



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Exeter School wanted to significantly improve their sixth form provision, thereby encouraging students who had come up through the school to complete their final years here. They recognised the value of inspiring surroundings and wanted to improve the outdated look and feel of the facility. The project included a large amount of soft seating for the main common room area, acoustic solutions, stunning graphics, a food servery counter, designer lighting and more.

The interior design team, at Westcountry Group, created a beautiful colour scheme for the whole area, tying in all the features in a cohesive package. Feature carpets, coupled with stylish and comfortable soft seating, blended with modern graphics and lighting to create amazing student work and relaxation zones which helps to facilitate an excellent transition to the world of work.

Feedback from the school has been incredibly positive with the client absolutely delighted with the results, which were completed within a tight timescale.



“Your team have been outstanding, from the interior design, project management, through to installation, the team made it all happen without complaint, and everyone working far beyond the call of duty, they are all an absolute credit to Westcountry Group.”

Craig Stewart, Operations Bursar

EXETER SCHOOL

PROJECT Foyer and Washrooms Refurbishment | **LOCATION** Exeter, Devon



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Exeter School wanted to upgrade their current male and female washrooms to provide high quality facilities for prospective parents, visitors, and staff. The project included new solid grade laminate cubicles, luxury vanity unit with countertop basins, classy tiling, extraction, and flooring.

Westcountry Group began this project by adding a touch of elegance to the foyer entrance with a large statement logo that pops out from the wall creating a 3D effect. Off to one side of the foyer, we refurbished the original male and female washrooms, to a high standard, including gloss white tiled feature walls, nonslip vinyl flooring, extra privacy floor-to-ceiling cubicles, in a stylish woodgrain finish, and fully integrated plumbing panels which are vandal-resistant and easy to clean.

The client was delighted with the final outcome, having been left with a stunning set of washrooms that they are proud to show visitors into.



LEAF STUDIO SCHOOL

PROJECT New Science Laboratory | **LOCATION** Bournemouth, Dorset



PROJECT OVERVIEW

LEAF Studio School required a new science laboratory due to expansion and yet were challenged as they only had conventional classrooms. The current situation necessitated them having science lessons in an adjoining school which was inconvenient and wasted time with the students travelling between buildings. The school needed its own 'in-house' laboratory to address this, and the projected student growth going forwards.

Westcountry Group designed a fully serviced SmartSpace science laboratory including gas, water and power to create a modern and appealing solution for the delivery of the curriculum to the schools' budding scientists.

The addition of an adjoining prep room provided additional essential space to allow the safe storage of resources, equipment and chemicals. Gas and drainage connections were achieved by bringing the supplies in from the other end of the school, to turn this conventional classroom into a full laboratory provision. The final touch was a full wall graphic which set the whole room off perfectly.

LEAF Studio now has a fully functional science lab complete with gas, water, power and fume cabinet to deliver the curriculum safely and effectively within the existing building. The space is modern, bright and engaging for the young scientists to learn and is a pleasure for staff to teach in.

KENNETT PRIMARY SCHOOL

PROJECT New School Furniture | **LOCATION** Kennett, Cambridgeshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Kennett Primary school needed a full furniture specification and supply service to furnish their new-build school from scratch. At the same time, they wanted to create a stunning look and feel which reflected the natural environment they were situated in, as well as creating an inspirational learning environment that reflected the Trust's values.

Westcountry Group conducted multiple exploratory workshops with the school and the Trust to understand their aspirations and to establish what was most important to them. We then conducted a room by room specification process to determine the most appropriate furniture for each space ensuring it delivered on the brief and function intended for that particular space.



KENNETT PRIMARY SCHOOL

PROJECT New School Furniture | **LOCATION** Kennett, Cambridgeshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW (CONTINUED)

The result was a stunning collection of complementary furniture incorporating our SmartSpace teacher walls, vibrant graphics and creative classroom furniture which creates a seamless learning environment for the children, ensuring they get the best start on their learning journey. The classrooms are thoughtfully laid out and easy to use on a day-to-day basis by staff and students.



ASHFOLD SCHOOL

PROJECT Science Laboratory Refurbishment | **LOCATION** Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Ashfold School had worked with Westcountry Group before and knew who they could trust with the complete design and fitout of their new science laboratory.

As a prestigious independent prep school, set in 35 acres of stunning Buckinghamshire countryside, it was critical for them to engage with an experienced design and build partner that fully grasped the requirements and had a strong reputation for reliable project delivery in the sector.

The project involved conversion of an existing IT room into a new science lab, including structural alterations and adaptations to the mechanical and electrical services.

Based on our range of SmartSpace laboratory furniture, we designed a new science lab that met the client's needs and budget requirements,

providing a bespoke, contemporary and engaging curved design to increase collaboration between students and impress future visitors. We carried out the complete project from removal of existing furniture, through to installation of the new science lab and loose furniture, enabling the client to simply sit back and monitor progress.

Students now enjoy a modern and engaging science laboratory with a unique layout to ensure sufficient room for all students, along with flexible storage throughout. Having made best use of the limited space and unique structure of The Shippen, the new school science lab is a great example of what can be achieved with the right team and vision in place – an excellent result appreciated by both staff and students.



THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

PROJECT Library Refurbishment | **LOCATION** Amesbury, Wiltshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Stonehenge School needed new life breathed into their library which was dated and lacking appeal for the students. They wanted to improve student engagement with the resources and ensure the area could be used for multiple activities including, small group work, individual study, relaxed reading and IT, whilst maintaining excellent supervision sight-lines, staff resource storage and a modern look and feel.

Westcountry Group worked closely with the Senior Leadership Team and the school Librarian to create a bold vibrant resources area with a stunning colour scheme that accurately reflected the brief. Various iterations of the SmartSpace teacher wall were designed and discussed to ensure the best option was chosen, and considerable thought and

design went into the smaller details such as cabling requirements for the IT desks to ensure durability and longevity. The IT desks were designed around the structural pillars and this ensured expensive structural alterations were avoided.

Stonehenge School are delighted with the finished result and the bright, colourful, airy room is a magnet to students who choose to come here during break as well as timetabled lessons. The multi-functional space supports different types of learning and the calm atmosphere in the room demonstrates engaged learners who appreciate the dramatically improved environment. Resources are more easily stored and the whole space is easy to keep tidy, highly functional and rewarding for the staff to work in too.

TREVIGLAS ACADEMY

PROJECT Teacher Walls | **LOCATION** Newquay, Cornwall



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Treviglas Academy wanted to smarten up the storage facility in their classrooms with a neat and modern solution without losing significant wall space.

Westcountry Group created bespoke designs, and then manufactured and installed, integrated SmartSpace teacher walls that incorporated cupboard storage, Gratnell tray storage, a central teaching TV alcove, and sliding whiteboards which cover the storage and TV area when required.

The outcome was a series of very neat teaching and storage walls bringing a modern look to the classrooms and making teaching easier and more engaging.



THE TOYNBEE SCHOOL

PROJECT Versa ConverTables | **LOCATION** Eastleigh, Hampshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Toynbee School Pavilion is a purpose-built flexible space designed for pupils to have somewhere under cover during social time to consume food, drink and sit with friends. The space is also used for assemblies, lessons, parent's evenings and available for hire by the local community.

Therefore, they needed some seating in this room that quickly transforms this space into the purpose it serves.

To facilitate this multi-purpose space, Westcountry Group proposed their Versa ConverTable mobile-dining furniture that is a 3-1 space saving solution. This provided space for up to 300 pupils to be seated quickly along with the benefit of changing the layout from a full-sized dining table, to a multi-use bench, to lecture seating and back again.

These tables also fold neatly and almost flat to stack together nicely at one end or side of the room, leaving the space open for an alternative use.



"The Versa ConverTable furniture, from Westcountry Group, gives us flexibility and simply converts the space based on the needs of the school."

Mr Robert Harrison, Director of Finance and Resources

ONESCHOOL GLOBAL

PROJECT New Furniture | **LOCATION** Salisbury, Wiltshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Oneschool Global Salisbury needed to refresh the furniture layout to better suit their 'Learning to Learn' pedagogy. This specifically requires collaborative, semi-collaborative and focused study areas which the existing furniture did not support.

Westcountry Group carefully spaced planned the whole area and using their experienced, qualified interior designers, created a congruent design that neatly encapsulates these three distinct areas allowing the children to move seamlessly between the various areas as their learning requirements change during the day.

The children really love the new space and the huddle booths are particularly popular for group work, whilst the enclosed study carrels prevent unwanted peer distraction, leading to sustained periods of productive focused working.

There is a great sense of community within the space and the layout facilitates student support and positive learning outcomes.



LORD WANDSWORTH COLLEGE

PROJECT Sixth Form Refurbishment | **LOCATION** Hook, Hampshire



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Lord Wandsworth College reached out to Westcountry Group for help with the extension of the space they created the previous year for their growing Sixth Form.

The objective was to create a space where the students would feel like adults and allow them to have an area for both quiet study and group meetings in a board room set up. The Sixth Form space now has a modern look and feel, designed to be an inspirational environment for learning and development.

The furniture and colours chosen are based on the school's branding and reflects their 1200 acre site. They wanted furniture that was going to be robust and practical but delivered a quality feel.

The final outcome is a seamless transition between spaces offering a quiet place for their Sixth Form students to work and a hub where the prefects can meet. The students are very happy and are already making good use of the new space especially the board room style table, which makes a beautiful centrepiece.





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