



Online Services Consent

The Hwb platform provides all maintained schools in Wales with access to a wide range of centrally-funded, bilingual digital tools and resources to support the digital transformation of classroom practices. The Hwb platform is managed and operated by the Welsh Government.

All learners in maintained schools in Wales must be provided with a secure login to the Hwb platform. This is because mandatory reading and numeracy tests, currently on paper, will be moving online and must be completed by each learner via the platform. In order to provide [you/your child] with a secure login, the school will be sending basic information to the Welsh Government. The login will allow [you/your child] to take the mandatory online assessments, known as 'personalised assessments'.

For more information about the Hwb platform and how information about your child is used, please see <https://hwb.gov.wales/privacy>.

For more information about the online personalised assessments, please see <http://learning.gov.wales/resources/collections/national-reading-and-numeracy-tests?lang=en#collection-2>

Additional services

If you agree, Welsh Government can also provide your child with access, via the Hwb platform, to a variety of additional services which are provided by other organisations. These include online learning environments such as Hwb Classes, Microsoft Office 365, Google for Education, and other relevant educational tools and resources. Welsh Government is making these additional services available to help your child access educational resources. These additional services are centrally funded and there is no cost for you or for your school to access and use them.

School will also provide additional services via Microsoft such as Online Storage areas which are used for storing school work and additional learning resources.

We will only provide access to these additional services with your consent.

If you agree:

- we will tell Welsh Government to provide access to the additional services
- Welsh Government will share information about your child with its service providers, including Microsoft and Google Education, in order to enable access to the additional services.

If you do not agree, we will still share information about your child with Welsh Government to set up a secure login for the Hwb platform, but your child will not be able to access the additional services.

If you wish to withdraw your consent, please contact the headteacher or use the consent form which is sent out annually.