

# Cyber Essentials consultancy

Keeping your students protected and your data safe

RM's Cyber Essentials consultancy service provides schools and groups of schools with all the documentation and processes required to conform to the cyber security baseline of Cyber Essentials.

## Service overview

The Cyber Essentials consultancy service provides a complete gap analysis of customers' processes, governance, and technical cyber security posture against the UK government's official standard of Cyber Essentials. The service offers insights and guidance so that customers may attain assurance that their security posture meets Cyber Essentials standards.

Our consultancy service provides customers with a comprehensive report detailing their current security posture, detailing all the elements in a RAG status. We also provide guidance on improvements and supply templates for upgraded security processes and policies.

Business outcome	Benefit
Attaining Cyber Essentials certification	Acknowledgment of maintaining a recognised security posture.
Risk assurance	Confirmation of security maintenance for both internal and external stakeholders.
Professional assistance	Expertise from RM provides guidance and advice on security posture.
Detailed security reporting	A usable roadmap detailing the improvements and actions required.
Demonstrable due diligence	Providing key stakeholders with documentation of progress towards improved security posture.

“ You need that cyber security information and RM supports you to ensure that your network is secure. ”

**Sue Harris**

IT Manager – Hales Valley Trust



## Service Description

- ✓ This service is mapped to the NCSC's Cyber Essentials framework, which is the UK's accepted standard for schools to best protect themselves from cyber threats.
- ✓ The service connects to the customers' expectations and goals using the Cyber Essentials framework and presents collated information on current security elements as a gap analysis with expert guidance and assistance to improve the security posture.
- ✓ An agreed prioritised action plan for the customer and associated timescales with recommendations for any additional technology is provided.

## Key service features

Our Cyber Essentials Consultancy can help schools and trusts by:

- ✓ Conducting Cyber Essentials gap analysis to assess your school's security posture and identifying where it fails to meet the Cyber Essentials controls.
- ✓ Providing process and procedure templates where inadequate, incomplete or missing documentation exists.
- ✓ Developing a report on the status of your Cyber Essentials controls detailing the requirements that are met and those that are not; describing why controls are not met and the risks the school is exposed to; recommended actions to take.
- ✓ Working with the school or trust to agree on actions and remediations.
- ✓ Planning remediation activities that align with the risk and strategic priorities.
- ✓ Implementing remediation activities or guiding technical teams in doing so while remaining sympathetic to operational realities.
- ✓ Developing and presenting post-engagement reports, summarising the engagement, detailing the initial security baseline, any remediation work completed and explaining any residual risk with recommendations for reducing those risks.

## Why RM?



### Smart

Innovation is at the heart of our business, and we continue to explore advanced technologies, bringing to market pioneering ideas that respond to shifting educational tech needs in an unpredictable world.



### Safe

The safety and safeguarding of our students is at the forefront of our minds and is the number one consideration when designing and delivering our IT services. We are setting the standard in the industry for safe use of technology in and out of the classroom.



### Secure

Cyber threats are a major and growing concern for any trust or school. Our portfolio of IT security services mitigate the risk of a cyber-attack by highlighting vulnerabilities, implementing solutions and building resilience through training to improve your security posture.



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## Our certifications

Our school IT services are backed up by a range of educational and technology accreditations and partnerships.



If you are interested in hearing more about any of our services, please connect with your regular RM contact, or if you don't have one, send us an email at [getintouch@rm.com](mailto:getintouch@rm.com)

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