Trusted by a growing number of school leaders for our expertise, reliability and quality. We are the team you can trust.

the NOVA team

Put your school maintenance in a safe pair of hands

Simple. Hassle free. Value for money.

Welcome to the NOVA team for Schools and Colleges

We provide a range of expert solutions to help keep your school buildings and grounds in tip top condition, creating an environment that's welcoming and conducive to learning. Our team has a diverse range of trades and capabilities which means you benefit from a one-stop service whether it's plumbing, electrical, groundworks, landscaping, construction or any combination.



We specialise in supporting schools and colleges look after their premises with a range of tailored services:

Caretaking and premises management Skilled handyman service Grounds maintenance Fire doors maintenance, repair and inspection Building projects Plumbing and electrical Toilet refurbs Emergency call out

"When the atmosphere encourages learning, the learning is inevitable Elizabeth Foss

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About Us

The NOVA team is a privately-owned construction, landscape/ ground works and school maintenance company.

Headed up by Christopher Creak and supported by a team of experienced tradespeople, we work across Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Berkshire as well as into surrounding counties such as Hampshire and Northamptonshire.

Arrange a no obligation quotation to discuss how the NOVA team could support your school

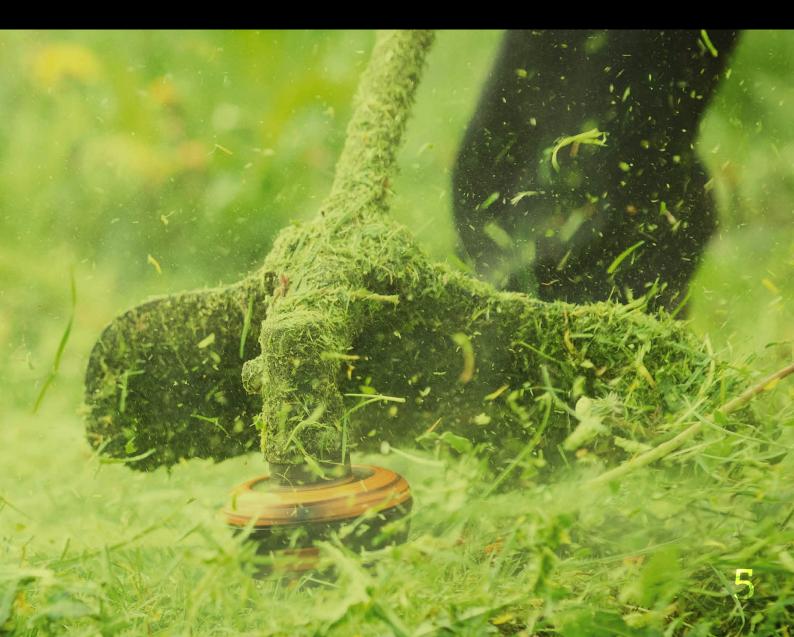
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Over 20 Years' Experience

With more than 20 years' experience and a highly skilled workforce, we have worked hard to develop a reputation as a trustworthy business that can be relied upon to deliver value for money and great results for our customers. Our aim is to always provide our customers with the highest levels of service, quality workmanship and technical expertise.

We are proud to hold an Alcumus SafeContractor Accreditation. To achieve SafeContractor Approved status, a business must prove that they are a safe and responsible company. This involves ensuring that all paperwork is compliant with current legislation and that processes are in place to ensure health and safety is handled in the best way possible.

Our friendly team are all DBS checked and are passionate about helping you achieve the best possible solution for your school or college.



Caretaking and Premises Management

Premises staff are often the unsung heroes of a school or college. Working tirelessly behind the scenes, they ensure the building and grounds are safe, compliant, well-maintained and create a conducive environment to learning.

Although the traditional role of a caretaker has evolved considerably with advancements in technology and facilities management, site professionals remain an indispensable asset to any educational institution.

Our team of School Site Professionals are well-versed in managing the complex challenges of maintaining a safe environment and are experienced in all areas of school facilities management, including fire safety, risk management, and statutory compliance.

With the NOVA team, you can outsource all or some of your caretaking/premises management to us. Giving you the peace of mind that you have the right skills to hand when you need them. Whether you are looking for a permanent solution or an ad hoc service to cover holidays and sickness, we are the team you can trust.

Why use the NOVA team

Our health and safety aware, DBS-checked team offer everything you'd get from a permanent caretaker or school premises manager without the cost or risk of employing someone full time.

Regular/Skilled Handyman Support

Schools are hard work to look after and maintain. With such a lot of traffic using the site each day, it's no wonder things need repairing or replacing on a regular basis.

We understand that this can be a major headache for you, which is why we developed our regular handyman service.

For those jobs that you might not have the skills in-house to undertake, we offer a 'ticketing' system for maintenance jobs, meaning you don't have to worry about how or when they'll get done.

It's a simple system whereby you register a job with us (for example, fixing a leaking toilet), tell us how urgent it is and we book in a convenient date and time to complete the work with a suitably qualified tradesperson.

Got more than one job that needs doing? No problem!

Simply give us your list in order of priority and we'll work through, checking off the list of jobs. From plumbing to electrics and from plastering to glass, we employ a wide range of trades and skills so no job is outside of our capabilities. That means you have one point of contact, one invoice and a whole heap less stress!

Grounds Maintenance

We all understand the importance of outside spaces to our learning environments. Having green spaces and being able to spend time outside, in nature is a key part of education.

We offer a reliable and experienced grounds maintenance service to help keep your outdoor spaces looking their best so students, staff and visitors can fully benefit from them.

Regular Maintenance

Our team are on hand to provide regular maintenance services that include:

Grass cutting (weekly, fortnightly or monthly) Fencing and gate repairs to keep your premises and occupants safe and secure General tidying and routine landscaping

Projects

If you have a landscaping project in mind, then talk to us about how we can help.

We can support you with a wide range of landscaping projects, such as:

Outdoor learning spaces Seating areas Play areas/equipment Outdoor gyms Storage buildings and sheds Planting schemes





Fire Doors and Glazing

One of the most important responsibilities of your premises team is fire safety management. Maintaining fire exits, emergency lighting, fire alarm systems and fire doors. Fire doors in school premises are often subject to heavy use, and keeping on top of door maintenance in line with current regulations can be challenging.

At the NOVA team, we have extensive knowledge of statutory compliance to help you ensure your school remains aligned with health and safety regulations, avoiding potential legal consequences.

Our Services

- Installation of new fire doors and fire-rated windows Monitoring and maintenance of fire doors
- and windows
- Damage repair to fire doors and windows



Building Projects

We understand the challenges around making changes to your school premises. From small modifications to large extensions and new buildings, there is always a lot to consider beyond the technical aspects of construction and project management.

We aim to make the process as stress-free and enjoyable for you as possible. After all, improving your school site should be an exciting time!

Our team have a wealth of experience in successfully delivering school building projects. We understand the pressures you face around delivering projects within restricted timeframes and to budget, whilst also ensuring the high standards of health and safety are maintained and accounted for.

Whether you are looking to create an ultra-modern school extension built to the highest environmental standards or require master craftsman skills to maintain and restore listed buildings, our skilled team delivers value, quality and an outstanding customer experience.

Our building project services include, but are not limited to:

New school buildings School extensions Renovation of existing buildings Internal remodelling External works, such as new playgrounds or car parks Fencing, gates and perimeter security Glazing and fire doors **Experienced and DBS checked employees and subcontractors**

For everyone's peace of mind, all our employees and subcontractors are locally based, experienced in the special requirements of school building construction, have current enhanced DBS checks and exemplary health and safety records.

"Our school has been using The NOVA team's caretaker service for a couple of years now and find them to be an ideal partner. They respond to call outs generally within the hour (although not contracted to) and they always respond to phone calls. Their prices are very reasonable, and they are knowledgeable and trustworthy. We would highly recommend them. They haven't let us down yet!" Matthew Fuller Site Services Manager Amersham School

"Our school has worked with the NOVA team for the past 13 years. They have always been friendly, efficient and reliable with all works completed to a consistently high standard. We 100% recommend the NOVA team." St Augustine's Catholic Primary School Hammersmith

Get in touch



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