



*The Annexe's
striking new
entrance*

Dulwich College Preparatory School Annexe Refurbishment completed 09/12/09

Lee Evans Partnership has just completed a major three phase refurbishment of The Annexe at Dulwich College Preparatory School in London. The two-storey Annexe is a self-contained section of the school catering for 160 pupils aged between 5 and 7 years of age. The project involved a radical modernisation of the existing 1970s Vic Hallam building to improve spaces both aesthetically and physically and to create inspiring new art, ICT, work room and library facilities for the pupils and staff.

Extensive renovations to the fabric of the building include new roofs tiled in recycled slate as well as external walls either rendered, tiled or clad in larch boarding. A new fenestration system of solar treated glazing and a Brise Soleil are used to minimise solar heat gains. In addition, insulants such as Celotex and Rockwool are used to improve thermal efficiency well in excess of current Building Regulation requirements.

Inside, all of the classrooms have been refurbished and acoustically treated. New lighting has been fitted in tandem with sun pipes which will reduce the need for lighting usage. New heating, fire and security systems have also been implemented. All areas are now fully DDA compliant and improvements include two new staircases and a lift as well as a disabled WC.

A key feature of the scheme is the striking new entrance and the attractive external landscaping which includes curved timber logging and a retractable canopy.

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