

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall wins multi-million pound London primary school contract**

Morgan Sindall has been appointed to construct a new multi-million pound primary school in Southwark.

The company is on site delivering the Albion Primary School scheme for Southwark Council, a project which will see the project team demolish the existing primary school to make way for a new, state-of-the-art education facility. The new building will be much larger than the existing school and will allow Albion Primary School to increase capacity to a full two-form entry facility.

The new building will be completed in time for the new calendar year in 2018 and will include ample space for Key Stage One, Key Stage Two and the school's early years provision. The early years learning environment will include three reception classrooms and two additional nursery classrooms. The space will also contain three group rooms, four wet play areas and three external covered play areas for outdoor learning.

Pupils in Key Stage One and Two will enjoy an increased number of larger classrooms as well as open-plan learning spaces and external covered play areas. Older pupils in key stage two will also benefit from two external learning terraces and a specially designed gallery space.

Morgan Sindall is working in partnership with Haverstock architects to deliver this innovative project. During school design sessions, children and staff suggested their new school should make the best possible use of outdoor space for sports and learning. As a result the new Albion Primary School will include a new playground, a floodlit Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), a bicycle track and a dedicated play area for nursery and reception pupils. The outdoor space will also comprise a special school growing garden and a garden area for year six pupils, where they can learn about the environment.

The new primary school will also include a central space, for whole school use. The space will be used as an informal meeting area for pupils and staff and will also be available for community use, outside of school hours.

Morgan Sindall is targeting a Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) rating of 'Very Good' for the new school, which will make use of energy efficient double glazing, photovoltaic panels and LED lights. The school will be built using sustainable timber and 20 per cent of the school's energy will be renewable.

Cllr Victoria Mills, cabinet member for children and education at Southwark Council, said: "We are very proud to be investing in this outstanding school. Our pro-active plans mean that children will have a fantastic new school where they will learn, play and achieve great results. We are also increasing the places available at the school so that more Rotherhithe children and families can benefit from this investment."

Richard Dobson, area director at Morgan Sindall, said: "We're enormously proud to have been appointed to this scheme which will provide children in Rotherhithe with an innovative learning environment to be excited about.

"School surroundings should reflect the adaptable and exciting nature of education and the unique

outdoor learning facilities at the new Albion Primary School will certainly adhere to that concept. As a company we pride ourselves on delivering high-quality education schemes and we look forward to handing over the school in time for the new calendar year in 2018.”

Morgan Sindall is also on-site in the area creating a £10 million expansion for City University London. The firm is extending the ground floor and level one of the main university campus building in London and remodeling the main entrance of the building.

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