

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall wins phase two of Bedfordshire school expansion**

Morgan Sindall has been appointed to carry out a £3.8 million scheme to expand Etonbury Academy in Bedfordshire.

The project for Bedfordshire East Multi Academy Trust (BEMAT) is part of Central Bedfordshire Council's school places programme and follows the successful completion of a £6.8 million expansion that the firm delivered at the school last year.

Work is already underway on phase two of the expansion works which includes an extension to an existing three-storey teaching block and building housing Year Five, and the delivery of a steel-frame reception building. The Year Five block will be completed in time for the new academic school year, with the rest of the project due to complete in early 2018.

Each structure will have a traditional brickwork exterior in keeping with the existing teaching blocks and the project team will also expand the playground and car parking facilities.

Last year, Morgan Sindall delivered a new staff room, dining room, four-court sports hall and refurbishments to the entrance of the school. The company also constructed the three-storey teaching block, which is now being extended under phase two of the project.

Alex Prior, Principal at Etonbury Academy said: "We are delighted to be continuing to work with the Morgan Sindall team who successfully delivered phase one of this project. We are looking forward to the further site enhancements and capacity this project will bring for our current students and generations to come."

Neil Franklin, area director at Morgan Sindall, said: "We're pleased to have been appointed to this important scheme at Etonbury Academy. Our re-appointment is a testament to the highly experienced and skilled project team who were awarded a national accolade for their work on the project.

"Our team has a great depth of experience in delivering high-quality education schemes across the country and we are looking forward to using this knowledge to maximum effect on this project."

During phase one, the project team also delivered an all-weather sports pitch and a new fitness centre which was delivered four months ahead of schedule. The Morgan Sindall project team was recognised with a Considerate Constructors Scheme Gold award for commitment to excellence throughout the project.

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