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Topping out ceremony marks major milestone at £4.9 million Suffolk primary school

Progress on the construction of a new £4.9 million primary school in Red Lodge, Suffolk, has been marked with a celebratory ceremony hosted by Morgan Sindall.

Suffolk's cabinet member for children's services, education and skills, Councillor Gordon Jones, led the topping out ceremony at the new Pines Primary School, to celebrate the completion of the main structure of the new school building. The traditional ceremony was hosted on the roof and guests were given an exclusive tour of the school.

The project for Suffolk County Council includes the construction of a new school building for up to 210 pupils and is scheduled to complete in time for the 2018 academic year.

Once complete, the new school will initially provide reception, Year 1 and Year 2 places. It will later open as a one-form entry primary school with childcare provision for two to five year olds at the Pine Cones Pre-School.

Saul Humphrey, managing director of Morgan Sindall in the East region, said: "Reaching the topping out stage of any development is a major milestone and a proud moment for everyone involved. Work is progressing well on the new Pines Primary School, which once complete will be a fantastic addition to the Red Lodge community.

"We hope the new school building will be an outstanding teaching environment that staff and pupils to be proud of, with first-class facilities to ensure that children can enjoy the best start to their education journey."

Councillor Gordon Jones said: "We are delighted that the school building has reached this milestone well ahead of its opening in September 2018. This is an exciting development for Red Lodge, providing the much-needed school places for the area.

"It was a pleasure to witness the event and be part of something that we have been able to shape literally from the ground up."

Morgan Sindall is currently on-site at major schemes across the region. In Lowestoft, the company has been appointed to deliver the new £16 million headquarters for world-leading UK marine science agency Cefas (The Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science). The development will provide the organisation with a purpose-built, sustainable building and refurbish their existing laboratories to bring them up to date, enabling Cefas to continue to build on its 115-year-old globally-recognised marine science heritage.

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