

# Tuxford Primary Academy, Nottinghamshire

## Classrooms

### Four new classrooms for primary school

#### The Client

DALP (Diverse Academies Learning Partnership) operate a group of nine primary and secondary academies located in the East Midlands. Tuxford Primary Academy has seen recent rapid growth and development and additional classrooms were required along with associated toilets and additional learning space to meet demand for school places.

#### The Brief

The original school building lies within a Conservation Area and is defined as an “undesigned heritage asset”. Previous planning applications had been refused by the local authority as the designs did not complement the existing school and surrounding buildings. After many discussions with DALP and the Local Planning Officer, Pinelog’s design was agreed and submitted for planning.

A location was chosen within the school grounds to reduce any harm to heritage assets and a two storey design would make most use of the limited floor area available.

Pinelog’s experience of building for schools meant that they were able to work within a live school environment and without disrupting the day-to-day operation of the school.

#### The Specification

The building provides four classrooms, two shared spaces and toilet accommodation.

The building has been sympathetically designed with a slate roof and red brick walls incorporating horizontal detail courses. Simple vertical fenestration provides natural light and views for children. The ground floor has a small glazed porch with a canopy facing the main school.

The building features a central shared space to support group learning and roof lights ensure a bright and airy environment in which pupils can work. Once completed, the new building will be further enhanced by the refurbishment of the two existing playgrounds.

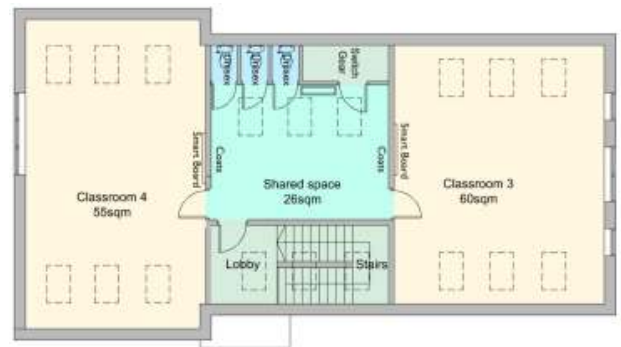
The building is constructed using a highly insulated timber frame. Levels of insulation in excess of Building Regulations minimise energy costs and maintain a comfortable climate within the building.



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ground floor plan



first floor plan



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