

Acorn Pre-School, Bedfordshire

Project Value: £180,000

Client: Acorn Pre-School

Problem:

Acorn Pre-School was operating from a village hall, which was failing to provide appropriate accommodation for the children. The limited facilities could no longer meet the latest standards for early year's education. The Pre-School also had expansion plans which were curtailed by the lack of space. However, the Pre-School had managed to secure a grant, and had additional capital available following fundraising activities. PCMS was appointed to design and project manage the construction of a new Pre-School building on the site of the local lower school.

Solution:

PCMS reviewed the Pre-School's requirements in detail and worked out a plan of action. Following careful assessment of possible locations, we proposed a new building on the site of the existing lower school that would provide a purpose-built modern facility which could be constructed within the available budget. Following approval of the plans, detailed designs were drawn up. Informal approval was sought from the school, county council and neighbours prior to submission for planning permission. PCMS then tendered the work and managed the construction phase.

Result:

All the children and staff were delighted with their new facility. The building received OFSTED approval following an inspection shortly after completion. Acorn Pre-School now has a bright, lively area in which to operate with full-length windows and carefully designed child-friendly features to ensure learning and play is both safe and exciting. As an added bonus, they also acquired an outdoor play area with covered canopy which was not part of the original brief.



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