

Case Study | Sevenoaks Annexe



About The Sevenoaks Annexe

The Sevenoaks Annexe is a new campus run by Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys. The Annexe opened in September 2021 and has 90 Year 7 places, providing the same rich educational experience as at the main campus in Tunbridge Wells.

Problem

Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys (TWGSB) had been working on a site expansion on both the Tunbridge Wells Campus & its new Annexe in Sevenoaks. The phase 1 extension in Tunbridge Wells aimed to provide a better and bigger environment for local young people.

After the successful completion of phase 1 of their extension, Business Manager, Katie Ross and Site Manager, Alistair Mitchell, needed to find a reliable furniture supplier and Project Manager who would support them in completing the Sevenoaks Annexe. The four-storey Sevenoaks campus consisted of 32 rooms which all needed furnishing for the 90 new pupils and staff it would accommodate.

Solution

Paper Plus's Project Manager, James, had supported Katie & Alistair through the TWGSB phase 1 extension in Tunbridge Wells, refurbishing the two-storey teaching centre and building a good rapport with the onsite project team.

TWGSB looked at a few suppliers, however, James and his division were able to put forward a proposal for the Sevenoaks Annexe that took care of not only

the furnishings, but the day-to-day management of deliveries, installations and removal of packaging. The project was awarded to Paper Plus due to the strong working relationship that had developed through previous projects and a solid proposal, covering all basis.

James and his team at Paper Plus sourced and installed a large number of standard and unique furniture items. This included a table made for disabled children that blended well into the rest of the design. It could be used as a standard table but had the ability to be moved up or down to fit a child who required wheelchair access.



Results

With the support from Paper Plus, Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys was able to launch phase 1 of the Sevenoaks campus in September, welcoming three classes of year 7 students. Pupil numbers will continue to grow until they reach a roll of 450 in 2025.

Paper Plus and its furniture division, looks forward to continuing its work in supporting both Katie & Alistair through phase 2 of both site expansions.

“It has been a pleasure working with James on our two large furniture orders. He has great ideas and product suggestions, and managed to obtain custom furniture which exactly met our requirements at a reasonable price. Undertaking large projects such as these can feel overwhelming, but with Paper Plus we were in safe hands.”

- Katie Ross, Business Manager

