



Flanshaw Road Primary – New Junior Block

51 Flanshaw Road, Te Atatu



The Flanshaw Road Primary School Junior Block was built on a very tight budget and the school had a very conservative colour scheme in place.

This posed a challenge for the architects who were determined to create an exciting building for this decile 1 school. Fortunately a selection of excess stock carpet tiles proved to be more cost effective than the cheapest school carpet available. Resene Alabaster and white hessian were chosen to keep the interiors crisp and allow the random carpet tiling to feature.

The exterior colours came to life when the architects convinced the school to use the more saturated colour Resene Rob Roy to complement the neutral Resene Pearl Lusta cream tones. Three shades were used to define the covered outdoor zones, enhance the depth of the stepped façade and ended up inspiring the choice of furniture colour.

The school's theme colour blue was emphasised by adding an extra selection of blue carpet tiles to the random carpet mix. Blue was also used for one interior wall of each classroom alongside the threaded white hessian. It was decided that the school's prescription blue roof colour was to continue down the posts in order to anchor the heavier shade of blue.

The scope of work started as two classrooms, but grew to a four classroom block, complete with IT suite.

The build time was four months over the Christmas period. The construction cost came in at an impressive \$1,490 per square metre including decks, ramps, stairs, verandas and landscaping.

We are very proud to have been given the opportunity to bring new ideas to the field of education, from sliding doors that open up classroom corners, to additional

protected outdoor teaching spaces and store rooms that double as one-on-one teaching and admin rooms (with spy windows).

The light filled, enclosed decks also facilitate team teaching and small group breakout spaces. The 'random' floor tiles and proprietary, off-the-shelf sink units have also made the right impact. Innovation driven by budget constraints.

The form of the building was based on existing buildings on site, however the high level, clear light windows allow excellent cross ventilation and great, soft south light.

Alabaster

Rob Roy

Smooth Cream

Pearl Lusta

New Denim Blue

Architectural Specifier: Xsite Architects www.xsite.net.nz
Building Contractor: Auckland Construction
Colour Selection: Resene Paint/Spectrum Hessian/Lees Carpet
Interior Designer: Xsite Architects
Painting Contractor: S. T. Taylor 2008 Ltd
Photographer: Simon Devitt

Colours Used: Resene Alabaster, New Denim Blue, Resene Pearl Lusta, Resene Rob Roy, Resene Smooth Cream

Products Used: Resene decorative paints

 Resene Kea

