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Cornelius Vermuyden School and Arts College



Essex County Council and Skanska RM are pleased to announce their new design proposals for Cornelius Vermuyden School and Arts College

**Our plans will be available for you to view on: Tuesday, 23rd February 2010
The Drama Studio, Dinant Avenue, Canvey Island, Essex SS8 9QS
from: 3.30pm – 7.30pm**

We look forward to seeing you then

The Cornelius Vermuyden School and Arts College design proposal:

- Described as ‘elegant’ with a ‘strong civic presence’ and rated ‘Excellent’ by the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE)
- A beacon for learning
- Arrival ‘Square’ reinforcing the relationship between the school and community
- Gallery that is a showcase for contemporary digital art
- Additional new build space beyond the original expectations.

The next level of excellence

Our design supports the school’s caring ethos and creates facilities that encourage high levels of attainment.

By forming a street gallery at the heart of the school, we have connected five distinct learning clusters and created a space that celebrates student achievement.

A teacher training facility enhances the school’s reputation as a mentoring institution.

Thinking outside the box

By re-thinking the brief, we have incorporated the refurbished

elements and increased the amount of new build to the front to the school, and have created a solution the equal of any new build school.

Raising standards and achievement

Our proposals place learning needs first. The innovative design of the curriculum clusters offers a variety of internal and external spaces to enable new ways of teaching and learning to facilitate a variety of methods including independent learning group work and developing learning literacies.



The glass fronted elevation opens up the front of the school to showcase a learning environment rich in Information and Communication Technology (ICT), celebrating Cornelius Vermuyden School as an ICT centre of excellence.

Leading design, integrated ICT

Harmonising physical space and ICT, and selecting the right technology and furniture, we have extended the range of learning experiences. Wireless access to rich digital resources through an online ‘Learning Platform’ will empower personalised, any time, anywhere, learning.

A prominent role in the community

The Square to the front of the school strengthens its links with



the local area. Inside, ‘the Street’ offers great interaction for the community with the adjoining rooms, ICT suite and gallery. As well as being a focus for students’ work, the area can be used to host exhibitions, giving art to all.

A family room in the Karslake Centre provides a community focus in the heart of the school.

The school has been designed as part of a wider master plan for the future placing it truly at the heart of its community.

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