

Aquinas College, Stockport

A shining example of education excellence



Project: Aquinas College
Project Type: New build
Project Architect: Broadway Malyan
Main Contractor: Vinci Group
Cladding Contractor:
 SCS (Specialist Cladding Systems)
Materials:
 1758m² James and Taylor aluminium cladding with 4 anodised finishes,
 3 Euroseam Standing seam roofs,
 Kingspan parapet cladding,
 CA Building Products cappings

As the demand for further education at Aquinas College in Stockport rose they outgrew their existing buildings so embarked upon a £42 million rebuild of the college. Using the playing fields as a build site they called upon Specialist Cladding Systems (SCS) for the cladding contracting work.

The original 1950s buildings, although added to over recent years, could no longer host the 1,850 full time students so a complete rebuild was undertaken on the Colleges existing playing fields. The old College was then knocked down to make way for a new playing field.



This would add to the new floodlit, astro turf, all weather playing field that was opened on 14th July 2009.

SCS worked with a variety of materials on this project including the James and Taylor aluminium cladding in 4 anodised finishes. 1758m² of the **SENSES** tile system, which cover approximately half of the building, appear animated as visitors and passersby approach the college. This stunning feature really sets the college off as a state of the art facility.

SCS also clad the parapets and fitted CA Building Products' capping around the entire building.

It was essential that SCS worked closely with the glaziers on this project as Mark Peskett, SCS Site Manager explains:

"To ensure interface details between the aluminium cladding and windows were robust we needed to work closely with the glaziers. It was vital that there was good communication to enable us to achieve the high standard finish that we did"