**Gatehouse School**

2015 – 2018

London | UK

**Project Details**

Sector Education

Client Gatehouse School Education Trust

Lead Architect Child Graddon Lewis

Location Victoria Park, London

Local Authority Tower Hamlets

Status Complete 2018

Area GIA: 3015m²

Cost: £8 Million

Principal Designer Child Graddon Lewis

Fire Engineer BWC

Cost Consultant Stace

Structural Engineer Conisbee

Services Engineer IES / Battledore

Principal Contractor Phoenix / ARJ

Photography Jonathan Banks / Edmund Sumner

**Project Summary**

Gatehouse School is the dramatic transformation of an independent primary school in inner-city East London, originally built in 1901. Comprising a vertical expansion and extensive internal refurbishment that are both complementary to the charm of the original building, this intricate project was the imaginative response to a series of thwarted attempts by the school to purchase adjacent land in order to expand.

The project demonstrates a maximisation of space that was strongly supported from the outset by Tower Hamlets Council. The ambitious design has allowed the school to cater for a growing waiting list by expanding from two to three form entry and provides a series of outstanding new facilities. This includes 15 new classrooms, a flexible performance space, reception, music suites, library, kitchen, additional hall space and a consolidated nursery centre. The project was delivered significantly ahead of schedule – all without disrupting the school’s day-to-day operations.

Ian Givin was Project Architect for Gatehouse School at Child Graddon Lewis.