



Eltham Hill College, Greenwich

Challenge:

Situated close to Eltham Palace and alongside the Grade II listed remnants of a Tudor brick-built summerhouse and wall, the challenge was to create a distinctive design that clearly announced the presence of the school, whilst sitting the building comfortably within its historic surroundings.

Solution:

Inspired by the historic remains, the architects used contrasting brick types in a style that makes reference to the pattern of Tudor era windows. The interlocking diamond pattern has been created using smooth orange/red, textured red and blue/black bricks, and wraps around the building as a consistent surface, punctuated only by the large classroom windows that punch into the pattern at intervals to suit the internal plan. The result is an eye-catching and very distinctive building that fully meets all of the design challenges.

Architect: Hawkins Brown

Brick:

Slate Blue Smooth, Cheddar Red, Bristol Mixed Red