



CASE STUDY

InterfaceFLOR inspires a lesson in colour

PRODUCTS

Lima

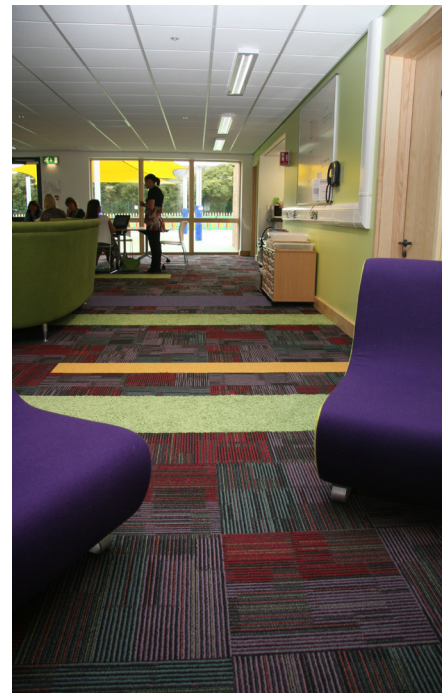
Tufted Patterned Textured Loop Pile

Straightforward (Granite)

Microtuft Patterned Level Loop Pile

End user:
Designer:

Oakhurst Primary School
Hannah Harper, InterfaceFLOR



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Story Detail

Oakhurst Primary School in Swindon has worked closely InterfaceFLOR, the leading manufacturer of sustainable and innovative modular flooring, to kit out its brand new school building and create a striking learning environment, using colour to create distinct and engaging surroundings for different age groups.



Why InterfaceFLOR

Oakhurst Principal Dale Burr commented: "We chose InterfaceFLOR for the project because, on top of the company's excellent sustainability credentials, the innovation and flexibility it offered through its products was just what we needed to bring to life the ideas we had in mind."



The Challenge

From the outset, Mr Burr was instrumental in driving forward the design brief and was keen that the floor scheme was creative, while relevant and inclusive for each age group.


The Approach

Colour choice was an integral part of the project. InterfaceFLOR designer, Hannah Harper, explained: "Individual product selection is an imperative part of making a design scheme successful – in this case, a smart choice of textures and a mix of colours helped us to meet the brief set by the school, and ultimately create a stimulating space."




The Solution

Hannah worked closely with Mr Burr to select the colour schemes for each of the classrooms, signifying the transition through the school. Hannah continues: "Colour combinations were chosen specifically to enhance the learning environment for each individual age group. For example, in the nursery class we created a vibe of energy and excitement to inspire interaction by specifying rich reds, coppers, brass and a complementary hint of dusty pink. Whereas, for the infant classes, varying shades of green were utilised to create a calming and reassuring mood, and blue tones were used for the junior areas to achieve the desired atmosphere of communication and concentration."



The flooring specification was created using a combination of InterfaceFLOR products. The majority of classrooms utilised the non-directional benefits of Straightforward, an innovative microtuft product.

A sustainable and practical choice for a classroom environment, Straightforward, through its microtuft construction, proves that less is more. The low pile weight achieves a balance between hard flooring and carpet, and as such is extremely durable. It also comes with InterfaceFLOR's Cool Carpet® guarantee, whereby all carbon emissions generated throughout the lifetime of the product are offset.



Straightforward was complemented by the more textured Lima. This multicoloured collection offers a wide range of bold shades, and as such, products from the range were selected to inject vibrancy into the creative colour scheme at Oakhurst.

Result

Concluding, Mr Burr added: "InterfaceFLOR were exceptionally supportive. They provided the school with a very professional design board with a range of floor scheme design options and products, which meant we were able to share our proposals with the school community. Without their support I doubt we would have such an exceptional finish."



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