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A balanced playground requires something for everyone. Children who are tired, poorly or traumatised tend to regress and seek comforting play activities that reassure and boost confidence. At other times these children may be looking for a new challenge and want to stretch themselves. Setter play provide a range of play options: active, social, solitary, calm, strategic, frivolous, thrilling, challenging, reassuring to name but a few. The benefit of this is that children who are less able are not stigmatised as they can play in their own way and there isn't a hierarchy of achievement in play – no-one's keeping score. Once a child has mastered the most physically challenging piece of play equipment, he or she will tend to go back and play differently with other pieces of equipment or find other ways to challenge him/herself on the climbing frame. Ensuring that playground equipment is accessible to as wide a range of children as possible will ensure that children can play in their own way and at their own level.





Activity Panels



Activity panels can provide interest to parts of the playground that are tight for space or that need some brightening up. Panels can be free standing or wall mounted and feature games, mental challenges, art activities such as black and white boards or even clear sheets for two sided fun. Activity panels can be included within play units or features such as the playhouse panels or can be standalone such as the shop. Designs are constantly evolving and custom panels can be produced to feature individual logos or names within the designs.

Goal Ends



Football is an epidemic. It is impossible not to acknowledge it and so it is perhaps better, where football is permitted, to encourage it to be contained within an allocated area. In an attempt to contain the ball play to a dedicated space we have designed goal ends. Goal ends acknowledge that football is not the only game in town and so we have added targets, cricket stumps and a basketball hoop. We have also developed a fully timber version of the goal end and a timber panel version that is set within a steel frame.

Planters



School gardens and sensory planting is a great way to allow your children to experience nature. Growing flowers and shrubs and producing fruit and vegetables is very rewarding. Understanding the need to care for the plants and to nurture them is an important aid to a wider understanding of caring and watching the plants change throughout the seasons is a helpful introduction to science.

Roadways



Setter can design and mark out roadways for early years playgrounds either onto existing tarmac or lay them into wet pour rubber as a friendlier surface on which to fall. Roadways can be designed to contain features such as planters, shops, playhouses, petrol pumps, speed humps and parking bays depending on the space available.



Sandplay



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Encouraging play with sand is widely understood as having benefits for developing the understanding of exploration, experimentation, investigation and so on, all with a tactile friendly medium that is readily available. Our sliding lid sandbox is a large contained feature that can accommodate a number of children helping them to develop collaborative skill and learn about sharing.

Our natural sand play zone is a permanent feature that fits in with our Elemental play ethos of providing natural materials and encouraging free form play. Rounded flat paddle stones provide natural seats and a smooth deep bowl with drainage gives a real beach experience. Tall posts to enable a shade to be strung across either in the form of a proprietary shade sail or simply a cargo net are a helpful addition.

Stainless Steel Waterplay



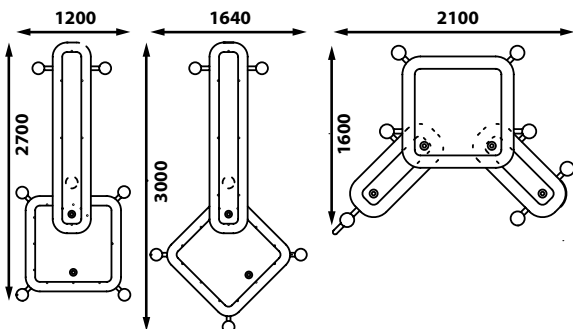
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Children can learn about cause and effect, by pouring water into the funnel, which goes down the long trough and into the tank. The tank is large enough for group play with toys and buckets. An easy grab plug is provided in the tank.

Splash

Splash has the large sharing tank at the top which has two drain holes both having an easy grab plug. The left hand plug holes drains into a smaller trough from which a spout passes through a log and out ready for a bucket to catch. The right hand drain leads into a small trough which has a pivoting funnel at the end ready to aim into another waiting bucket.

Castles



Castles have always provided great imagination stimulus whether it be conveyed on a play unit through simple features such as castellation, arrow slots or indeed a complete castle shaped play unit, the theme inspires all kinds of play. Thanks to the famous kings and queens through the ages such as Arthur, Henry VIII or Elizabeth 1st history will always engage. Providing a themed castle play feature will help provide fun and excitement to your playground for all ages.

Seats & Benches



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The simple provision of a bench in a playground can be a popular and welcome feature for many. Socialising is vital and offering a place to sit and talk or to rest is a necessary part of any balanced playground design. Benches are made to suit spaces and budgets. Tree seats are a popular and welcoming feature in a playground and there are several ways of achieving the requirement from the simple bench seat cladding a tree trunk closely to a wider hexagon or octagon designed to cope with a difficult large root system. Tree seats are generally produced from pressure treated softwood but hardwoods are available.



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