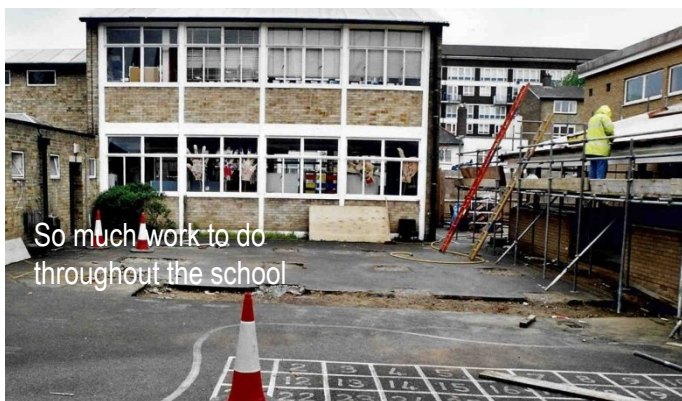


# SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS PLAY

## A Theories Landscapes SEN case study

Phoenix primary and junior school, Tower Hamlets, London 1994/2011

Theories Landscapes Ltd have been working with Phoenix Primary and Junior School since 1994 and have designed and built Infant, Junior and Nursery School play areas over the years, transforming empty tarmac expanses into individual, engaging and fulfilling play spaces for all ages and abilities. We have built a strong working relationship with the school and head teacher, Stewart Harris, delivering customised play solutions on time and on budget to create a wide variety of play and sensory experiences including a softscape water play feature with bubble fountain and shower spout.



Stewart Harris (head teacher) writes....."It has been a pleasure working with Theories, spanning a decade now. They have designed and built three extraordinary play spaces for Phoenix's children with special educational needs (SEN) including autistic spectrum.

Theories have consistently been able to listen to our staff's wishes as well as the needs of individual children and go onto to create unique, challenging and interesting play environments where every nook and cranny counts and where every child can explore their own varied play needs safely and happily.

Theories are a one-stop professional playground solution, seamlessly integrating every aspect from helping formulate a design brief, producing design proposals and budgets, to carrying out the build contract with their own skilled staff, as well as offering on-going maintenance support"



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The resulting play areas are dramatic, attractive and support inclusive play activities incorporating custom-made play structures featuring slides and climbing as well as extensive planting giving opportunities for both active as well as quieter more social play activities.

Theories Landscapes Ltd is a one-stop shop, able to handle the entire project process comprehensively and professionally from beginning to end. We help develop a play brief as well as carry out consultation with staff and children. We then design, build and provide aftercare. The play solutions at Phoenix demonstrate design/build's ability to create extraordinary play environments and effective support to staff helping provide a wide variety of great play experiences.

We also support the school carrying out annual Play Audits and establishing maintenance routines. We can also develop or respond to new ideas year-on-year.

