

Roedean School

Sussex



Roedean School is an independent day and boarding school in Roedean Village on the outskirts of Brighton, East Sussex. The school accommodates girls between 11 and 18, and is an excellent and well-established school which provides education for around 400-450 students.

Roedean sits on a beautiful 45 acre campus near the Sussex Downs overlooking Brighton Marina, with a further 75 acres of land adjacent to the site. The School was founded in 1885, to provide 'a thorough physical, intellectual and moral' education with 'as much liberty as is consistent with safety'. As well as a range of workshops, studios,

laboratories and sports pitches, the school also incorporates a 320-seat theatre, a heated indoor swimming pool and a chapel.

Trend Controls have been working with the Roedean BEMS system for more than 10 years and is primarily responsible for maintaining and servicing the installed building management system, by means of an annual Trend Service Level Agreement Contract (SLA). The main focus of the SLA over recent years has been to reduce the schools' energy consumption on a building-by-building basis, with the halls of residence being the first to take advantage of this activity.

In order to enable the Estates Officer to view and adjust operating times, monitor alarms and make adjustments to site controller parameters, Trend recently recommended using the site's IT infrastructure to provide visibility for a 963 Supervisor server. Roedean is currently using a 4-20Ma current loop LAN for its network and is now working with Trend to find a more resilient option for networking – Ethernet and Fibre are being considered.

Over the years, the school has developed an effective partnership with the Trend engineering personnel who have a great knowledge and understanding of the site. During service visits and responsive callouts, the engineers are committed to maintaining the very highest standards of workmanship, with a flexible and positive attitude towards opportunities that could improve the efficiency of the site.

An example of this is when the school was recently struck by lightning, which caused the Trend Network to break down – which adversely affected the supply of hot water to classrooms and the halls of residence, and could have resulted in

“The school can always rely on the TREND advance engineers to be professional, quick to respond and proactive in their approach. When the school was hit by lightning several services were impacted. Trend were able to source and replace the effected controller which was up and running again within 24 hours”

Androulla Antoniou | Estates Officer, Roedean School

a steady stream of complaints from occupants. However, Trend responded immediately sending its engineers promptly to the site to restore the system with a replacement controller, thereby averting a major crisis.

The great working relationship on site is not limited to Trend's service team, and also includes the Trend Bureau and customer support. Roedean School knows it can rely on Trend to provide excellent, reliable and professional service across the board.

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