

## Wyvern College chooses flexible, acoustic moveable wall



Wyvern College is a small, friendly and successful Voluntary Aided, Church of England secondary school for boys in a wonderful location in Laverstock on the northern edge of Salisbury.

Working with architect, Jestico and Whiles, and contractor, Kier, Style was specified to install a moveable partitioning wall to divide the college's main auditorium and theatre, or open it up into one very large area.

DORMA Variflex is ideal in rooms with high ceilings. Not only is it hugely versatile, its range of moveable walls reaches up to 14.5m high and it is ideal for complicated room proportions where sloping ceilings or circular spaces must be accommodated.

For Wyvern College it also delivered 55dB acoustics, and a stylish finish which was black on one side and white on the other.

"For the theatre, it was fundamental to have a black wall, as this acted as the backdrop for the stage," said Julian Sargent, Style's group managing director.

"Great acoustics were also essential so that plays and concerts would not be disturbed by outside noise, nor disturb others in the building by the sound coming from the stage.

"On the auditorium side, which is used as a lecture theatre, a white finish was preferred which worked well with the blue wall surround."

DORMA Variflex is ideal for busy schools, colleges and universities as the panels are manufactured separately to the frame. This makes them easy and cost-effective to change if one is damaged, because you do not have to replace the entire operable wall. It also means you can replace the panels if you are altering the interior design.

There are also no limits to the individual surface finishes that you can incorporate, making this popular with interior designers as they can choose anything from genuine wood veneers to decor surfaces and even rugged functional finishes.

