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BEEHIVE MONTESSORI SCHOOL 1 Curtin Avenue, Mosman Park

Architect: EHDO Architecture Building Contractor: Mojo Building

Educational and architectural ideas:

The Beehive Montessori School – an independent school for 250 students aged 3 to 15 - were particularly interested in creating a place where the community - both school and wider – came together, to support, chat and contribute to the Beehive family. Due to its special site next to the ocean, the idea of a Mediterranean Village concept came early in the design process. Nature, the sky and the sea were a crucial engagement for the School's pedagogy. In this built environment people enter into the main piazza and students walk down laneways to their classrooms. The classrooms are specifically designed to offer the children a light filled space to work that encompasses indoor and outdoor learning experiences. A peaceful place for children to develop.

Other built environment outcomes important to the school were;

- a. That it reflected the school ethos and demonstrated the benefits of leading a more sustainable life
- b. Creating a design and construction process that was a learning experience for the school
- c. Having adaptable spaces to suit a range of uses
- d. Ensuring the buildings had low maintenance costs, particularly in regard to its harsh ocean exposure.

FACTS / FIGURES:

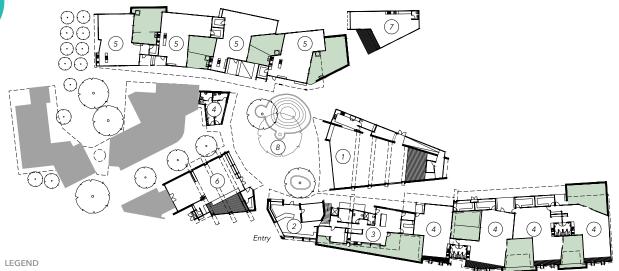
Gross Floor Area 1,060m²

Final Contract Sum \$6.1m (ex GST) **Cost per m²** \$3,615/m² (ex GST)

Building Completion 2018



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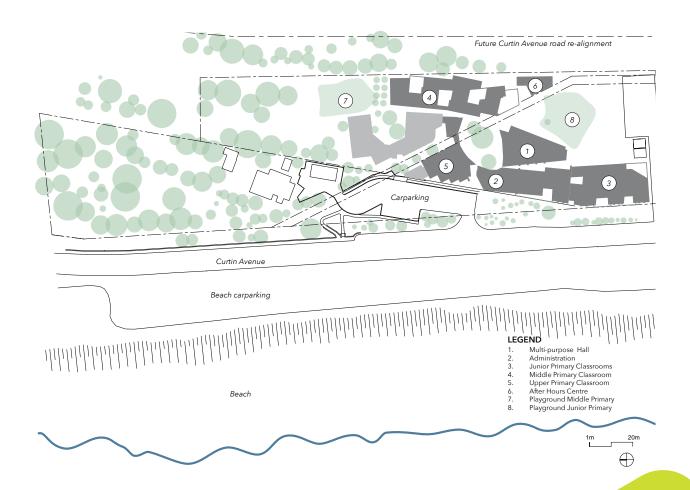


- Multi-purpose Hall Administration

- Administration
 Resources
 Junior Primary Classrooms
 Middle Primary Classroom
 Upper Primary Classroom
 After Hours Centre
- The Piazza

- Toilets Playground Middle Primary Playground Junior Primary
- Class courtyard
- Future multi-use building





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