Case Study

Frontrunner Plus





How do you stop 400 students from tracking dirt inside their classrooms?

The arrival of temporary classrooms at St Andrews CE Primary School meant the school needed an urgent short-term entrance matting solution to keep dirt and debris out of the buildings.

The problem

When St Andrews CE Primary School took over an existing school site in West Sussex, in the south of England, temporary classrooms were set up to minimise the disruption to students. With over 400 students passing through the doors each day, there was an urgent need for entrance matting that would stop debris from being tracked inside – and help to reduce cleaning costs.

The checklist

- ✓ Scrapes, cleans and dries shoes and wheels at the point of entry
- ✓ Helps to reduce ongoing maintenance and labour costs
- ✓ Withstands high levels of traffic
- ✓ Easy to cut to fit on site
- ✓ Quick to install without any advance templating

At a glance

Client

West Sussex County Council

Brief

High performance entrance matting that effectively scrapes, cleans and dries shoes and wheels at the point of entry.

Location

West Sussex, UK

Environment

Entrance

Industry

Education

Needs

Drainage, fall through, heavy duty, slip





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The solution

The school needed temporary entrance matting both internally and externally, so two products from our Frontrunner Entrance range were installed to create an integrated system. Outside, Frontrunner Entry's aggressive diamond tread pattern scrapes shoes and wheels clean, while the open grid structure allows debris to fall away, effectively trapping and preventing it from being tracked inside. Inside, Frontrunner Plus' heavy-duty absorbent carpet inserts remove moisture and dry shoes.

This unique 'scrape and clean' system helps to reduce cleaning internals, extends the life of floor finishes and keeps interiors looking smarter for longer. Though initially a temporary measure, Frontrunner was so successful at maintaining high levels of cleanliness that the local authority architects were persuaded to change their original specification, and use Frontrunner for all entrances to the new school.

"As you can imagine, 420 pupils have the propensity of transferring a large amount of shoe dirt into the school. Cleaning costs money so we were anxious that the very best precautions would be taken. We were fortunate that trials with the temporary accommodation led us to find the right solution."

Chris Luckin, headteacher



Product spotlight: Frontunner Plus

Frontrunner Plus is an absorbent entrance mat specifically designed to not only stop dirt in its tracks, but moisture too.

| Features: | | Benefits: | |
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| | Diamond cut pattern | 000000 | Slip resistant, high soil removal |
| # | Two layer open-grid construction | ₩ ₩ | Excellent drainage |
| | Absorbent carpet inserts | | Maximum moisture removal |
| | Close mesh grid | <u>●</u> A | Heel and wheel proof |
| + | Comes in 10m (33') rolls or modules | | Seamless installation |