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## SURFACING SYSTEMS



**Welcome to the third edition of our company newsletter, which aims to keep you up-to-date on all the latest news from Bradleys Surfacing Systems.**

Following our last newsletter in November, the team attended The Academies Show at the NEC in Birmingham, where we were delighted to receive significant interest in our sports and play services. Amongst the literature we provided at the show was our latest product mailer for tennis clubs, which provides club chairman's and committees with advice as to the best types of tennis surfaces in terms of quality and assurance. Following the success of previous mailers, we also created an updated version for schools, nurseries and playgrounds in April, which featured new manufacturers and top quality products.

Since then, we've had an extremely busy Winter and Spring, travelling far and wide throughout the country carrying out direct

and sub-contract installation and maintenance projects for a range of different educational and private establishments. Lots of these fantastic projects are detailed below in our newsletter.

Thanks again to you all for your continued support of Bradleys Surfacing Systems and please do continue to visit [www.surfacingystems.co.uk](http://www.surfacingystems.co.uk) and our Facebook and Twitter pages for all our latest company news and information.

*Tom Bradley*



With offices in Birmingham and Lincolnshire, Bradleys Surfacing Systems are well located to serve the entire nation with a focus on the West and East Midlands, South West and East Anglia. We offer a consultation and design service at no up-front cost and are more than happy to discuss any potential projects in person.

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## Herne Hill School – October 2015

The team visited Herne Hill School in London in October half term to install new playground surfacing. The playground includes a multi-use sports area with Domo's Hockey Xtreme surfacing and a general play and education area with Playrite's MatchWinner Velour surfacing, which houses games from Signgrass and includes a Hopscotch, number snake and alphabet. With safety as the number one priority for schools, Bradleys chose a Trocellen XC50-10 pad to lay the surfacing on, making it safe and comfortable underfoot for the children to play on.



## The Academies Show – November 2015

In November, Bradleys attended The Academies Show at the NEC Birmingham – an event focused on Academy status and delivering excellence across all education. The event was attended by thousands of teachers and those involved in education and we were thrilled to receive a number of enquiries relating to our sports and play services from schools and educational facilities across the UK. At the show, we ran a prize draw for attendees to win a £250 Maudesport voucher to spend on sports and play equipment, which attracted significant interest. The winner selected was Holly Hall Academy in Dudley.

## Seaton Tennis Club – March 2016

Spring is always a key period of the year for the team to install tennis surfacing ahead of the summer season ahead. First Serve Tennis Courts called upon Bradleys in early March to install surfacing at Seaton Tennis Club in East Devon. TigerTurf's Advantage Pro was chosen for the surfacing at Seaton, which created a real impact with the two-tone green courts.



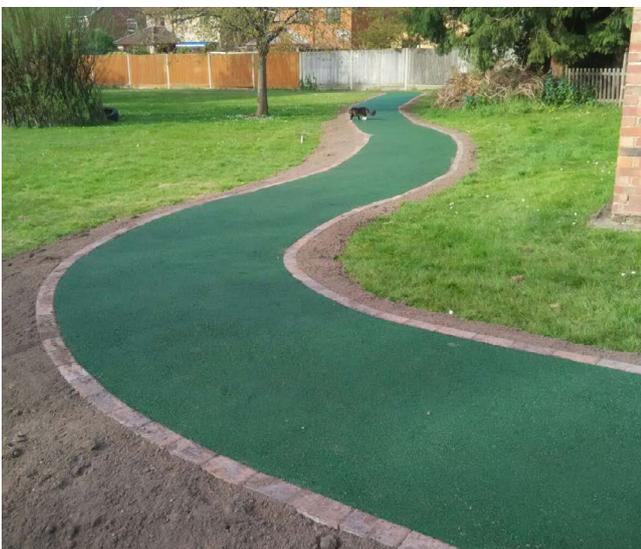


## Sedgley domestic football training area – March 2016

It was a beautiful day in March when the team carried out a domestic training area install in Sedgley, West Midlands. The brief for this domestic install was for a 3G surface, similar to that which Lee, the owner's budding footballing daughters train and play on for Birmingham FC. The challenge was that they wanted a lawn that didn't look like a sports field, so the team chose Domo Slide DS50M, a 3G football surface that was fit for purpose and suited its surroundings.

## Best Practice Product Mailer – April 2016

Following the success of previous product nurseries for schools, nurseries and playgrounds, we created an updated version in April to help educational facilities choose the best sports and play surfacing for their facility. As before, Bradleys searched for the best products in terms of quality and assurance and compiled a brief review to help teachers make an informed decision. The new mailer featured a range of manufacturers and product recommendations, including Turfworks' Meadow and Domo Naturafill sports grass.



## Barnett Wood Infant School – May 2016

The team visited Barnett Wood Infant School in Ashted, Surrey in early May to install a new rubber cycle track. The cycle track was installed following a BBC report that Mrs Penny, Headteacher of Barnett Wood had seen about a 'daily mile' scheme a school in Scotland had put in place to encourage pupils to walk or run for a mile every day as a way of improving childhood fitness and reducing obesity. The cycle track at Barnett Wood was laid with wet pour surfacing to minimise injury risk for the children using the facility.

## Halewood Town Council – May 2016

Bradleys were approached by Halewood Town Council in Liverpool to install new football surfacing at their facility. The team uplifted an old style sand-filled surface, which had been sent for recycling and repaired the existing in-situ rubber shock pad and installed a new Domo 'Slide DS 50M 3G surface'. The new surface will be used by the local community and Everton Kicks – the award winning youth engagement arm of Everton in the community.

On completion of the surface, George MacKenzie, Town Manager of Halewood

Town Council commented, *"From initial costing to handover of our newly laid 3G playing surface, Tom and his team at Bradleys Surfacing Systems have provided a first class professional service. With minimum disruption to users of our premises and total co-operation with Town Council staff and members, Bradleys Surfacing Systems completely renewed our synthetic playing surface and we now have a facility which is second to none in the area. Many thanks to Tom and all his team!"*



## Academy Today press coverage – June 2016

In early June, education title, *Academy Today* featured advice from Tom in their 'stories' section online about the best type of surfacing for different types of sport. Selecting the right type of surfacing can be a tricky and lengthy process for educational facilities, given the number of factors that need to be considered

and a range of products to choose from, so Tom provided a detailed guide of what to look for depending on the sport being played.

[Click here for Tom's detailed guide in Academy Today](#)

## Building For the Future Charity Project – June 2016

Bradleys Surfacing Systems were delighted to donate surfacing to 'Building for The Future' – a local independent charity in Wokingham, Berkshire, catering for children and young adults with additional needs. The charity's unique building has been specifically adapted and fully-fitted to provide an independent drop-in centre for over 500 children and young people, 200 of which use the different clubs and play sessions run by the charity and supporting groups. The garden area at the centre was gravelled at one end, making the area unusable, so they wanted to extend the artificial grass area to create a quite, shady corner away from the main building.

Peter Wood, Building For the Future Trustee said: *"We decided to extend the artificial grass and approached Bradleys in the hope of*

*obtaining a piece to match the existing surfacing. We were so pleased when Tom Bradley donated a piece and was also able to deliver it to the site. This additional grassed area will provide a welcome and much needed quiet corner away from the bustle of the main building. All at Building For The Future send their sincere thanks to Tom for helping us with this venture"*.

