



## TEXT BOOK INSTALLATION

CATEGORY: CERAMIC TILE - BEST EXTERIOR

**M**elbourne Girls Grammar was founded as a private school in 1893. In 1900 the school moved to its current location in Anderson Street, in well-heeled South Yarra, Victoria.

Heritage buildings abound in this area and with a strong foundation built on tradition, it is imperative that any renovations to the school's buildings reflect their historical surroundings while maintaining contemporary design values.

Bearing this in mind, Sally Draper Architects, in association with Stephenson and Turner Architects, specified the highly functional and versatile Terraçade™ TL cladding system from Austral Bricks for the recent extension to the school's existing Nina Crone library.

Terraçade TL offers the life-long advantages of a ceramic tile and the inbuilt protection of Terrashield® against nearly all stains, pollution grime and graffiti. The system is supported off a lightweight steel structure. Other benefits include a high-quality finish in a short period of time with minimal labour, competitive cost and ease of

installation. Also, the aesthetics give it a clean and contemporary look.

More than 94 square metres of 600 x 300 mm Terraçade TL was specified for the project. The architects chose a soft terracotta colour called Derwent to complement the red brick of the existing campus buildings. It took two installers just six days to complete the project from set out to clean down.

The extension covers two levels across the ground floor and the main entry from the podium.

The ground floor north elevation features a straight 9 x 6 metre panel, which acts as the external cladding of the large seminar room directly behind it. Due to easier access, less site restrictions and the single façade plane, this section of the project took the installers three days to install 57 square metres of cladding.

It took them the same amount of time to install 37 square metres into the first floor podium-level entry to the library. This was due to difficult access and a more complex configuration of the clad surfaces.

**PROJECT:**  
Melbourne Girls Grammar

**ARCHITECT:**  
Sally Draper Architects/Stephenson and Turner Architects

**TILE MANUFACTURER:**  
Austral Brick

**TILE FIXER:**  
C&S Lightweight

**TILE DESCRIPTION:**  
Terraçade TL, 600 x 300 mm in Derwent colour

**ROOMS/AREAS TILED:**  
Extension and main entry to the school library

**LOCATION:**  
86 Anderson Street, South Yarra, Victoria