

WITCHWAY BRICKLAYING

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→ **WITCHWAY BRICKLAYING PTY LTD IS A** partnership between Mr. Tony Strauf and Mr. John Curl. Commencing operations in January 2000, Witchway Bricklaying has quickly established themselves as purveyors of quality bricklaying services, including supply and installation in brick and block works. Witchway Bricklaying is proud to have been the bricklaying contractors for the NSW Schools Project.

Witchway Bricklaying was responsible for laying masonry at Rosebery Road Public School and Poole Road Public School as part of Stage One of the NSW Schools Project. Beyond standard bricklaying materials and processes, Witchway Bricklaying supplied and installed specialist masonry products, in accordance with the aesthetic emphasis afforded to all the schools in the NSW Schools Project. Witchway Bricklaying supplied and installed double bullnose and squint/cant bricks, manufactured by Bowral Bricks, to give the brickwork an overall pleasing aesthetic effect.

In addition to the emphasis placed on aesthetics throughout the NSW Schools Project, there were also stringent standard school specifications and quality guidelines enforced by the Department of Commerce, requiring construction elements to be highest quality, strong and durable where possible.

As school vandalism is an ever present threat and cost to the State Government, special considerations were made in the installation of brickwork. To ensure low maintenance, external brickwork was used rather than rendered cement walls, which are more prone to graffiti.

Witchway Bricklaying has recently provided their services to Bovis Lend Lease for the Inner West Health Centre and to Zadro Constructions for Mowll Retirement Village. They are currently undertaking works at the University of Western Sydney, Kensington and Riverside Park for Lipman Constructions.

Witchway Bricklaying is also currently engaged at Meadowbank Tafe and Southpoint Shopping Centre for Richard Crookes Construction. They are also involved in projects at Castle Hill R.S.L. for Paynter Dixon and at Bathurst's Mt. Panorama for Arenco.

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