



SmallWall School Products

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SmallWall Cocoons

On a busy playground it's important to respect that some children's needs include the need for a safe, quiet and cosy space where they can relax. Some will use the space to engage in self-regulation and practice their calming techniques if they are finding the playground overwhelming. This is particularly true for young people with autism and people with sensory difficulties. From time to time for example young people with ASD need this time and space away from the Hustle bustle of a busy playground. By having a section of the playground devoted to a hub of cosy cocoons (or even just one or two) these young people know they have a safe space to use should they need it. They do not need to go inside to find a calm space and can be supervised easily as they can be seen from two sides.

The cosy cocoons if set up in a circle can also provide a space where a small class can be outside together for reading times, kids can relax with a book in the cocoons out of the noise of the wind in a comfortable position off the ground. Most ASD classes have 6 pupils, so it is worth bearing in mind that having 6 cocoons placed in a circle will create a multipurpose area on the playground - an outdoor classroom can be created quite easily.

Product Installation

Product to be installed to manufacturers recommendations. This product is furniture and must be used for the purpose intended. No climbing or swinging off product as this may result in product damage. Children must be always supervised when in use. General maintenance such as cleaning and checking of fixings required before use.

Benefits

- Safe quiet cosy place where older children can relax and self-regulate
- Suitable for young and older children with autism and sensory difficulties
- A go-to place for calm and shelter when outside
- Safe surround for children to relax and de-stress in
- No special knowledge or skills required by supervisors
- Ideal for installation on level concrete grounds or concrete footings.
- Made from recycled plastic
- Available in two versions: with steel base plate for fixing to concrete or with plastic pad base for all surfaces, no fixing required.

The Cosy Cocoon Registered Community Design number is 007975214-0001.