

# Eugowra Community Children's Centre (ECCC)

Community update | 4 April 2023

Dear parents and families,

Further to our last update (overleaf), School Infrastructure NSW has been working with our partners on the best options for a facility for the Eugowra Community Children's Centre (ECCC) to occupy longer term.

Our priority is for as little disruption as possible for the families of ECCC and Eugowra PS, and to provide the most suitable facilities as soon as possible.

## **Additional facilities being installed at Eugowra Public School in April**

We will be providing additional facilities to support the effective operation of both Eugowra Public School and the ECCC to give as much stability to students and staff as possible.

This includes a library teaching space and a space for cooking classes, for the school to use while the ECCC continues to operate out of the library and the school hall. The toilets will continue to be used by both ECCC and Eugowra Public School students.

The new temporary demountable buildings will be installed between the COLA and storage sheds, opposite existing toilets, on the western side of the school.

Heritage consultants will be visiting the school site to confirm the suitability for location of the buildings. It is anticipated the buildings will then be installed over the school holidays.

We will keep the community updated on when the facilities will be ready for use.

## **Update on Showground facilities**

Before ECCC can occupy temporary facilities within the Eugowra Showgrounds, an approved Development Application (DA) is required for the showground site to be used as a preschool.

We are working through the planning for this, which will include investigations on the showground site to prepare the required consultant reports.

We'll keep you informed on the progress of this planning and thank you for your patience and understanding.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact us on the details below.

**Previous notification: 27 February 2023**

Since flooding in November 2022, the Department of Education have been working with Eugowra Community Children’s Centre (ECCC), Cabonne Council and other partners to support continued operation of the centre and plan for a new facility.

We are committed to providing a facility for Eugowra Community Children's Centre to occupy over the next few years, as quickly as possible.

While the installation of temporary buildings at the Eugowra Showground has been underway, this may no longer be the most appropriate location for the ECCC to occupy due to statutory planning complexities. Further due diligence is required before the land can be leased and before a pre-school can be licensed to operate.

We are currently working closely with all relevant stakeholders, including the ECCC, the Eugowra Showground Society, Cabonne Council, and the Department of Planning and Environment, to determine the most suitable location for ECCC as soon as possible.

In the meantime, the preschool will continue its operating from the temporary space established in December on the grounds of Eugowra Public School.

We will continue to keep the community updated, and if you have any questions or concerns, you can contact us on the details below.

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