

Albury (Thurgoona) new primary school and public preschool

Project update | February 2025

Image caption: An example of a modern classroom



Investing in our schools

As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild public education, the 2024-25 Budget is delivering record education funding, including \$8.9 billion for new and upgraded schools. This targeted investment will ensure growing communities get access to a world class public education.

As part of the NSW Government's commitment to deliver expanded access to early childhood education, planning for this school will include an on-site public preschool.

A new Albury (Thurgoona) primary school and new public preschool

The Department of Education is pleased to announce an agreement has been made to purchase land at 356 Kerr Road, Wirlinga. The map on the next page shows the location of the site.

This school will provide essential education infrastructure to accommodate the anticipated increase in enrolments in Thurgoona allowing families to conveniently access educational facilities close to home.

Progress update

The team are progressing with the site acquisition process and schematic design to confirm the final location of the facilities on the site as well as the look and feel of the school.

The designs have been developed in consultation with the Project Reference Group (PRG) which includes representatives from educational leadership in the region. We look forward to sharing the designs with the community at an information session (further details are shared below).

To ensure the school meets the needs of the area, the department is working with Albury City Council and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) regarding the Thurgoona Wirlinga Precinct Structure Plan.



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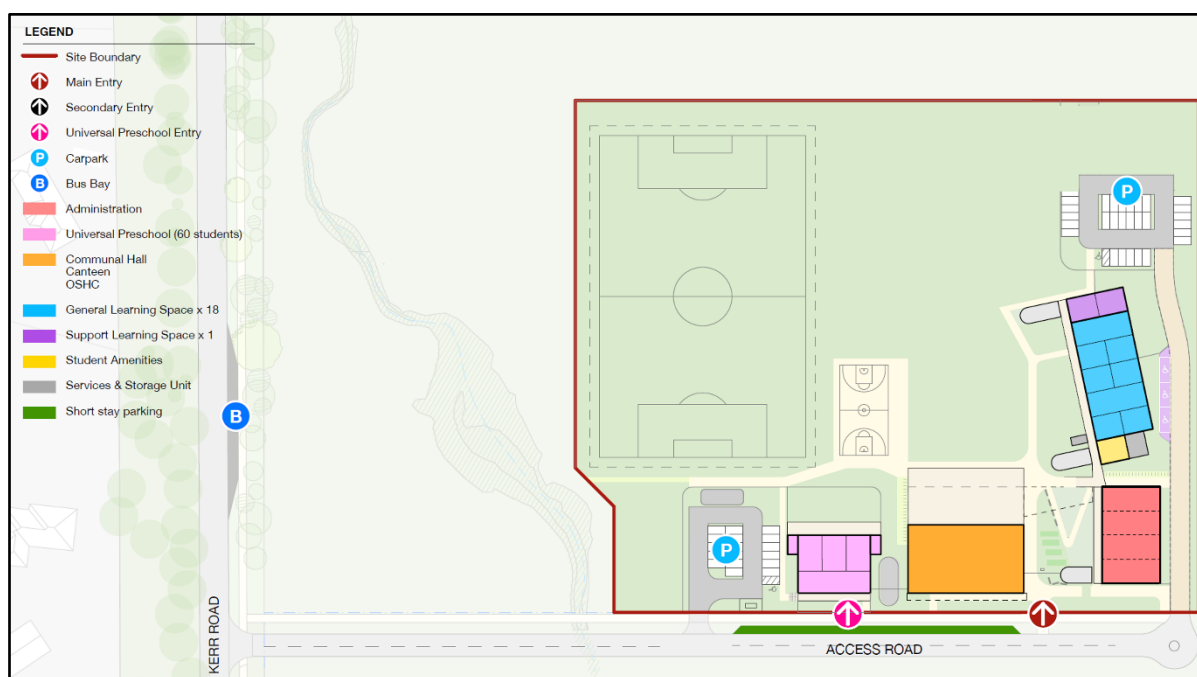
Location of the school site

In the map below, the red box indicates where the new primary school and public preschool will be located.



Master plan

The master plan below shows early plans of the new public school and new public preschool. Early plans may be subject to change as the project progresses.



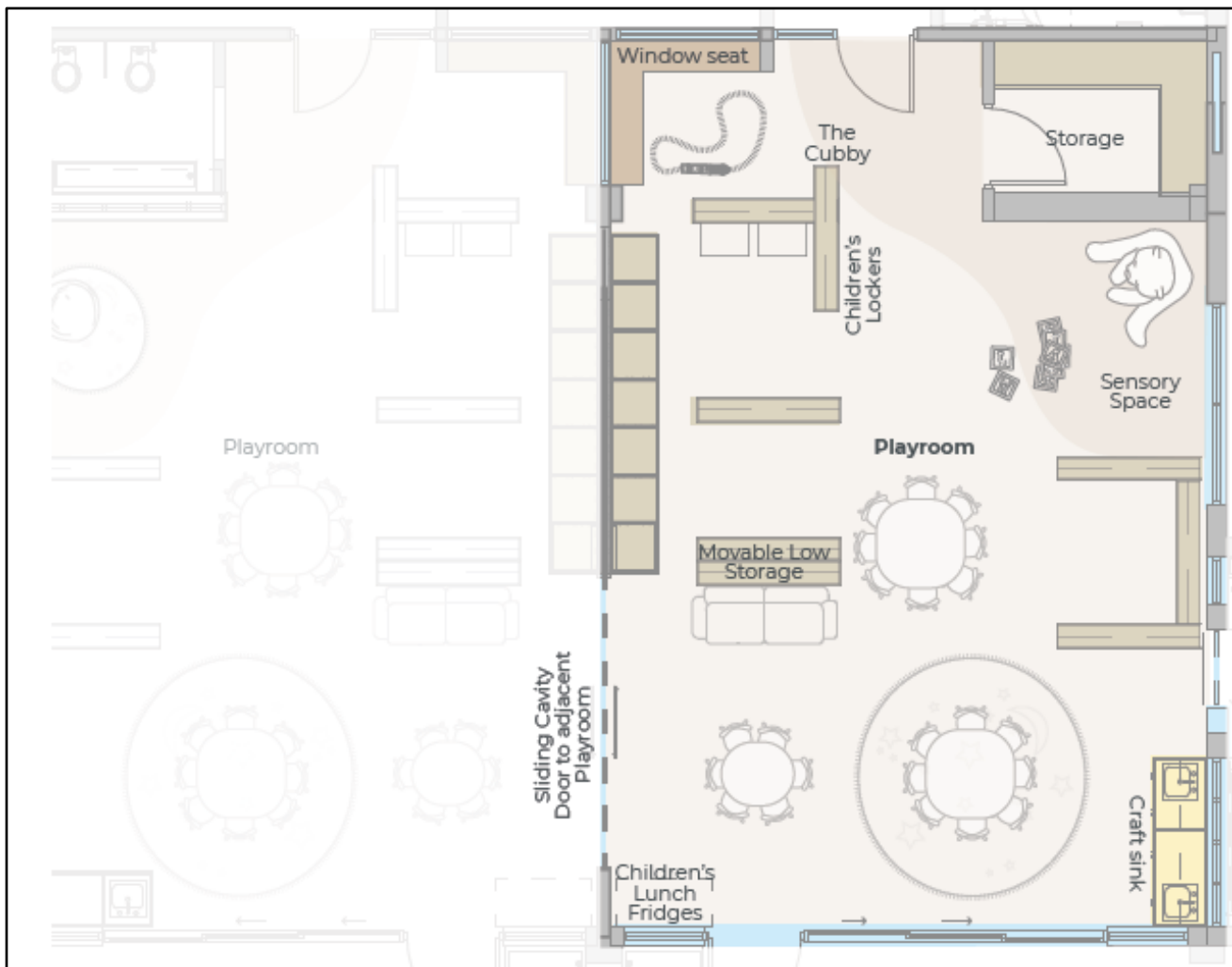
Public preschool progress update

The design of the preschool will be developed in line with the design of the school.

To complete the design more efficiently, we have adopted a standardised design approach which has been developed in consultation with educational experts as well as design and engineering specialists. This approach also complies with the National Quality Framework (NQF).

The key design principles for our new public preschools are that they should be welcoming and safe, connected with community and the environment, and inclusive, quality play-based learning environments.

Example playroom layout (indicative only)



Community drop-in information session: Tuesday 25 March 2025

We warmly invite the school community to attend a drop-in information session to find out more about the Albury Thurgoona new primary school and new public preschool project. You will have the opportunity to view early designs and speak with members of the project team. You can drop-in at any time during the session.

- **Time: 3:30 pm to 7 pm**
- **Location: Thurgoona Public School, school hall, 11 Bottlebrush Street Thurgoona NSW 2640**

If you are unable to attend, resources shared at the information session will be made available online afterwards.

Next steps

- Complete the next design phase.
- Progress Statutory Planning documentation. The design will be submitted for Statutory Planning approval, prior to the commencement of construction.
- Prepare tender and contract documentation to engage a main works contractor.
- Continue consultation with the local Aboriginal community through 'Connecting with Country'.
- A community information session to share the design progress with the community and provide an opportunity to ask questions and share feedback with the project team.

Information session form: Register your interest



We are committed to working together with our school communities to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students. If you are interested in attending the community drop-in information session you can register your interest and provide the project team with questions prior to the event. You can register by visiting edu.nsw.link/AlburyThurgoona-SignUp or by scanning the QR code.

More information



You can find more information about the project at edu.nsw.link/ATPSandPP or by scanning the QR code.

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure during business hours on the contact details below.