



New primary school for the Alex Avenue community

Project update

July 2020

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

The NSW Department of Education is committed to delivering new and upgraded schools for communities across NSW. The delivery of these important projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students and supports growth in the local economy.

Project overview

A project is underway to deliver a new primary school on Farmland Drive, Schofields to support the growing community. The school will include:

- 19 new flexible learning spaces
- a library, hall, canteen and covered outdoor learning area (COLA)
- administration and staff facilities.

The new school is designed to accommodate up to 500 students from K-6 and to allow for future expansion of up to 1000 students.

Progress summary

Main construction works have begun and are progressing well with three school buildings now delivered and installed on site. This includes the administration and staff facilities, classrooms, and part of the hall.

Modern construction techniques are being used in the build, including constructing school buildings offsite. This reduces the impact to local residents and saves time when compared to traditional builds.

Next Steps

Planned works over the coming months include:

- earthworks on the school site
- installing and connecting services
- building a lift and installing walkways
- constructing the remainder of the school hall
- building two covered outdoor learning areas.

Work hours are 7:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday and 8:00am to 1:00pm on Saturdays. There will be no work on Sundays or public holidays.

Dust and noise control are in place to reduce the impact on local residents. Traffic control and security will be used where required. We will ensure disruptions to the wider community are minimised.

Keeping you updated

We will keep you updated and provide more information about construction in the coming months. You can contact us using the information below.

For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW
Email: schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au
Phone: 1300 482 651
www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au

Frequently Asked Questions

Will there be tours of the school before Day 1, Term 1, 2021?

The health and safety of our students, staff and community is our priority. To account for social distancing measures, we will continue to review the ways we keep you informed about the project in our community.

Where are the school entry and exit points and kiss and drop area?

School pedestrian entry and exit points are on Farmland Drive and the soon to be constructed Pelican Road. The kiss and drop area will be located off Farmland Drive. There will be no pedestrian or vehicle entry to the school from Jerralong Drive.

Will a new high school be built in the near future?

There are a number of existing high schools currently servicing the local area. These are:

- The Ponds High School, a new school completed in 2015
- Riverstone High School, upgraded in 2020
- Quakers Hill High School.

Will the school be completed in time?

The forecast completion for the school is early 2021.

When will enrolments be accepted?

The school is accepting enrolments for Day 1, Term 1, 2021. Enrolment packages are available to collect at Hambledon, Riverbank and Schofields Public Schools. You can also download an application to enrol in a NSW Government school here: education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-publicschool/enrolment.

Complete and mail the form to Riverbank Public School:

Attention: Tracy Anderson
C- Riverbank Public School
25 Wentworth Avenue
THE PONDS NSW 2769

Enrolments will be undertaken in accordance with the NSW Department of Education guidelines. A student is able to enrol at the new primary school if their permanent and principal residence is located within the school catchment area. For enrolment enquiries, please contact the Principal, Tracey Anderson at tracey.anderson@det.nsw.edu.au.

What is the school catchment/enrolment area?

The NSW Department of Education has confirmed the school catchment area for the new primary school. The catchment for the new primary school was informed by demographic advice about projected enrolments in the Schofields area and in consultation with local primary school Principals. The Department's process for enrolments in public primary schools will apply.

For a closer look at the catchment go to my.education.nsw.gov.au/school-finder.

School information sessions

We invite parents interested in enrolling their child or children at the new school to join a community information session on Tuesday 21 July 2020 at Riverbank Public School.

Due to current social distancing restrictions, you will be required to register your attendance. There is a limit of 40 people per session to account for social distancing requirements. There is also a limit of one family member per session, with children being asked to remain at home. Attendees will be required to keep 1.5m away from others, practice good hygiene, and stay at home if they have cold or flu symptoms.

If you have any questions or require further information about the information sessions, please contact the Principal, Tracy Anderson on 9629 7511 Ext 148

Session 1 - 9:30am to 10:30am, Tuesday 21 July 2020

Click or scan the QR code to register.



Session 2 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm, Tuesday 21 July 2020

Click or scan the QR code to register.

