

# Alexandria Park Community School

## Works notification

17 March 2021

A project is underway to upgrade Alexandria Park Community School. The project enables the school to cater for 1,000 primary students and up to 1,200 secondary students in the future.

### Extension of hoarding on Park Road to build a “Rain Garden”

As part of the works underway to deliver Stage two of the upgrade we will be building a Rain Garden which will extend outside the current hoarding near the bus bay on Park Road.

A Rain Garden is a garden of native shrubs, perennials, and flowers planted in a small depression, which is generally formed on a natural slope. It is designed to temporarily hold and soak in rain water runoff. Rain Gardens are effective in removing up to 90% of nutrients and chemicals and up to 80% of sediments from the rainwater runoff. Rain Gardens allow for 30% more water to soak into the ground.

A Rain Garden is not a water garden, pond or a wetland. A Rain Garden is dry most of the time. It typically holds water only during and following a rainfall event. Because Rain Gardens will drain within 12-48 hours, they prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.

In order to create the Rain Garden, we need to:

- Extend the hoarding on Park Road at the drop off zone as shown in the map overleaf.
- Install a mesh fence to ensure a safe transition to this new boundary at the bus zone.

The mesh fence to allow **works to commence on the Rain Garden will take place on Saturday, 20 March 2021.**

A 1.2m wide footpath will remain around the drop off zone.

A further change to the hoarding may occur during the school holiday break 2 April 2021 – 18 April 2021. The hoarding will remain in place until the end of the project when a new boundary fence will replace it.

Parents and carers are to continue to follow the schools pickup and drop-off procedures in the bus bay area, which remain unchanged.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

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