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BANGALOW PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$7.9 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver 215 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. 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.

We are upgrading Bangalow Public School to provide new permanent learning spaces and bring students the latest education facilities.

Overview

A project is underway to upgrade Bangalow Public School. The upgrade will include eight new permanent learning spaces, refurbishment of some existing learning spaces, internal refurbishment of the heritage building to provide administration space, conversion of existing learning spaces to create a new larger library and landscaping.

Progress summary

Works to refurbish Building H (learning spaces) and Building F (the library) are now complete and ready for the school to use.

Building H underwent a complete refurbishment which included new fans, carpet replacement and painting of the walls. Building F was completely stripped back with replacement of all internal walls and ceilings to rectify water damage issues. Building F also received new carpets, doors, electrical fittings and joinery.

The refurbished library facility is now extended with fit for purpose furniture, new IT facilities and breakout learning spaces. *Please see images overleaf of the refurbished library facility.*

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Images of the refurbished library building (F) at Bangalow PS

Next steps

The development application (DA) has been approved by Byron Shire Council and the project now has the necessary planning approvals to proceed with the remainder of the upgrade. However, the commencement of remaining works has been impacted by recent flooding in Northern NSW.

The floods have placed additional stress on the construction market, reducing the capacity of workers and materials while increasing demand. Many of our subcontractors and suppliers have been affected personally, including loss of businesses, which has impacted our ability to proceed. Following award of a contract for main works, we will work with our contractor to revise the program of works.

We will inform the community when we are able to proceed with the remaining works. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to deliver this important project.

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