



Artist impression of the new primary school in Catherine Field

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Project update

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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. 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 in Catherine Field on O'Keefe Drive to support the growing community. The school will include:

- 44 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 1000 students from years K-6.

Progress summary

Construction of the school is advancing well and the school will be operational for Day 1 Term 1 2021.

Design for Manufacture and Assembly (DfMA) building methods have been used, 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 month include:

- installation of window frames in the hall, library, and admin and staff facilities
- lining internal walls and ceilings in all buildings
- completion of concrete walkways and stairs
- internal painting and fit out of services to buildings
- cladding to building façades
- constructing a car park
- commencing landscaping works.

School catchment area

The NSW Department of Education has confirmed the school catchment area for the new primary school in Catherine Field.

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

Before and after school care

To assist the school to explore the possibility of providing an out of school hours care service, parents are asked to complete the following survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/6ZTDLKG.

Keeping you updated

The SINSW website will continue to have up-to-date information about the project in your area. You can also continue to contact us via our community information line and email on the details 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

What is Design for Manufacture and Assembly (DfMA)?

DfMA is a design and construction process combining off-site and on-site assembly to deliver infrastructure. This process allows better use of limited land supply and minimises impact to schools and local communities, as new permanent buildings and upgrades are delivered in shorter timeframes.

What are the benefits of DfMA?

- Time savings
- Minimises impact on school operations
- Improved health, safety and productivity
- Upskills the workforce
- Improved sustainability
- Opportunity to reduce cost.

Will the school be completed in time?

The forecast completion for the school is early 2021. The school will be operational for Day 1 Term 1 2021.

Will street parking be impacted during construction?

There are minimal impacts to street parking as parking is available on site for workers. The impact of our project on the community was considered during planning. We work with councils and the community to identify issues and put in place mitigation measures.

What steps are being taken to control noise and dust?

Any activity that could exceed approved construction noise management levels is managed in strict accordance with the [Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997](#).

Dust is minimised with hoarding, shade cloth and spraying water.

How is traffic being managed?

Traffic management is in place where required for the safety of the local community and workers. Traffic controllers are on site to manage entry and exit of vehicles to and from the construction site as necessary. Vehicles will give way to pedestrians at all times.

When will enrolments be accepted?

The school is accepting enrolments for Day 1 Term 1 2021. You can download an application to enrol in a NSW Government school here:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/enrolment/primary-school-enrolment>.

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.

You can email complete enrolments forms to the Principal, Chad Lindsay at regionalsouthcampbelltown@det.nsw.edu.au or drop them off at Oran Park High School at 1 Podium Way, Oran Park.

You can also contact the Principal to talk about enrolments on 4634 7700.

What is the school catchment area / 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 Catherine Field and Oran Park 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.

Changing the way we communicate

The health and safety of our students, staff and community is our priority. We are temporarily changing some of the ways we keep you informed about our project in your community to account for social distancing measures.

Until further notice we will share information with our communities online instead of in person. Our information hotline and email address will continue to operate as normal.

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