

Blakebrook Public School

Project update | June 2025

Image caption: Artist's impression, Blakebrook Public School



Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is committed to rebuilding flood affected schools in the Northern Rivers region, ensuring we build back better with flood resilient schools for local students and local communities.

Funding for the school projects has also been provided by the Infrastructure Betterment Fund, which is jointly funded by the Australian and NSW Governments through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

Project overview

As part of this commitment, a project is underway to rebuild Blakebrook Public School, after it was extensively damaged during floods in early 2022. The project will deliver a flood resilient school, with new classrooms, library, canteen and administration areas, and landscaping.

Move in date rescheduled

As we communicated in our last update, Blakebrook Public School students were due to return to their completed school on Monday 23 June 2025.

However, as part of final routine inspections in preparation for the handover of the school, low levels of e-coli have been found in water from the school supply. The water has not been in use as the students have yet to start learning from the new facilities on the Blakebrook site.

To ensure the issue is resolved before students and staff return, we have rescheduled the opening of the new school to **Day 1 Term 3, Tuesday 22 July 2025**.

The morning and afternoon shuttle bus between Blakebrook and Goolmangar will continue while students are learning from Goolmangar. Parents will be able to use the new parking and Kiss and Ride spaces that are marked.



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Next steps

We are currently working to resolve the issue.

An independent hygienist has been arranged to take samples and have them expedited for analysis to ensure the water meets the requirements of the [Australian Drinking Water Guidelines](#).

We understand that this is disappointing news, however once we are confident the water quality issue has been resolved, we will look forward to seeing staff and students return to their newly built flood resilient school.

Arrangements for a return will be confirmed with the school and Blakebrook school families during the last week of Term 2.

Please see the latest photos of your completed school below.

Latest photos



New multi-purpose space and classrooms



Relocated heritage bus shelter and school sign.

More information



You can find more information about the project at on the Blakebrook Public School project page 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.