

Bomaderry High School upgrade

Project update | December 2024



Project overview

Delivery will commence shortly for an upgrade to Bomaderry High School. The upgrade will include fit-for-purpose classrooms and core facilities.

The project will deliver:

- a new building with administration facilities and Technological and Applied Studies (TAS) workshops and classrooms
- an upgrade of the existing kitchen to a Vocational Education and Training (VET) kitchen
- all new and upgraded TAS classrooms will be to VET standard
- refurbished classrooms
- refurbished staff rooms
- upgraded toilets
- accessibility improvements
- pedestrian safety improvements.

Progress update

Following the completion of the detailed design and receipt of planning approvals, the project has now moved into the delivery phase. The upgrades will be delivered across 6 stages to minimise disruptions to school activities (see project stages below).

Site fencing has now been set up near the location of the new Building P. Site offices and sheds have now been set up, and machinery delivered on site in preparation for the first stage of work. Traffic management will be in place at both site entrances to maintain traffic flow and pedestrian safety, and to manage peak periods during school start and finish times.



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Project stages

The project will be delivered in 6 stages:

Stage 1 – Early works following planning approvals

Following the completion of the detailed design and the receipt of key planning approvals, a site has now been established and early works have begun.

Stage 2 – Building E refurbishment

The refurbishment of Building E will be done in 2 phases (2.1 and 2.2).

- 2.1 - The first phase will include the refurbishment of classrooms, staff rooms and toilets and will commence in December 2024 and be ready for use in Term 1 2025.
- 2.2 - The second phase will include the installation of a new lift, handrail upgrades and external upgrades to the building and will be completed by Term 3 2025. Temporary site hoarding will be set up with access located to the west of the building.

Stage 3 – Building D refurbishment

The refurbishment of Building D will commence in December 2024 and be ready for use in Term 3 2025. Works in this stage will include internal refurbishments of classrooms for science and fitness, staff accommodation upgrades, toilet upgrades, installation of a new lift, handrail upgrades and external upgrades. Temporary site hoarding will be set up with access located to the west of the building.

Stage 4 – New Building P

The main project scope is the delivery of the new Building P to the front of the school. Works commenced in November 2024 in parallel with other stages and will be ready for use by Term 1 2026. The new building will accommodate TAS learning spaces for wood work, metal work and food technology, provide administration and staff facilities, and external traffic improvements to the public domain, internal loop road and landscaping. The main site entrance at Cambewarra Road will remain in place for the duration of Stage 4.

Stage 5 – Building B refurbishment

The refurbishment of Building B will commence in December 2025 and be ready for use in Term 3 2026. Works in this stage will include internal refurbishments of classrooms for fitness, performance and visual arts, the VET kitchen, administration and staff, toilet upgrades, handrail upgrades and external upgrades. Temporary site hoarding will be set up with access located to the east of the building.

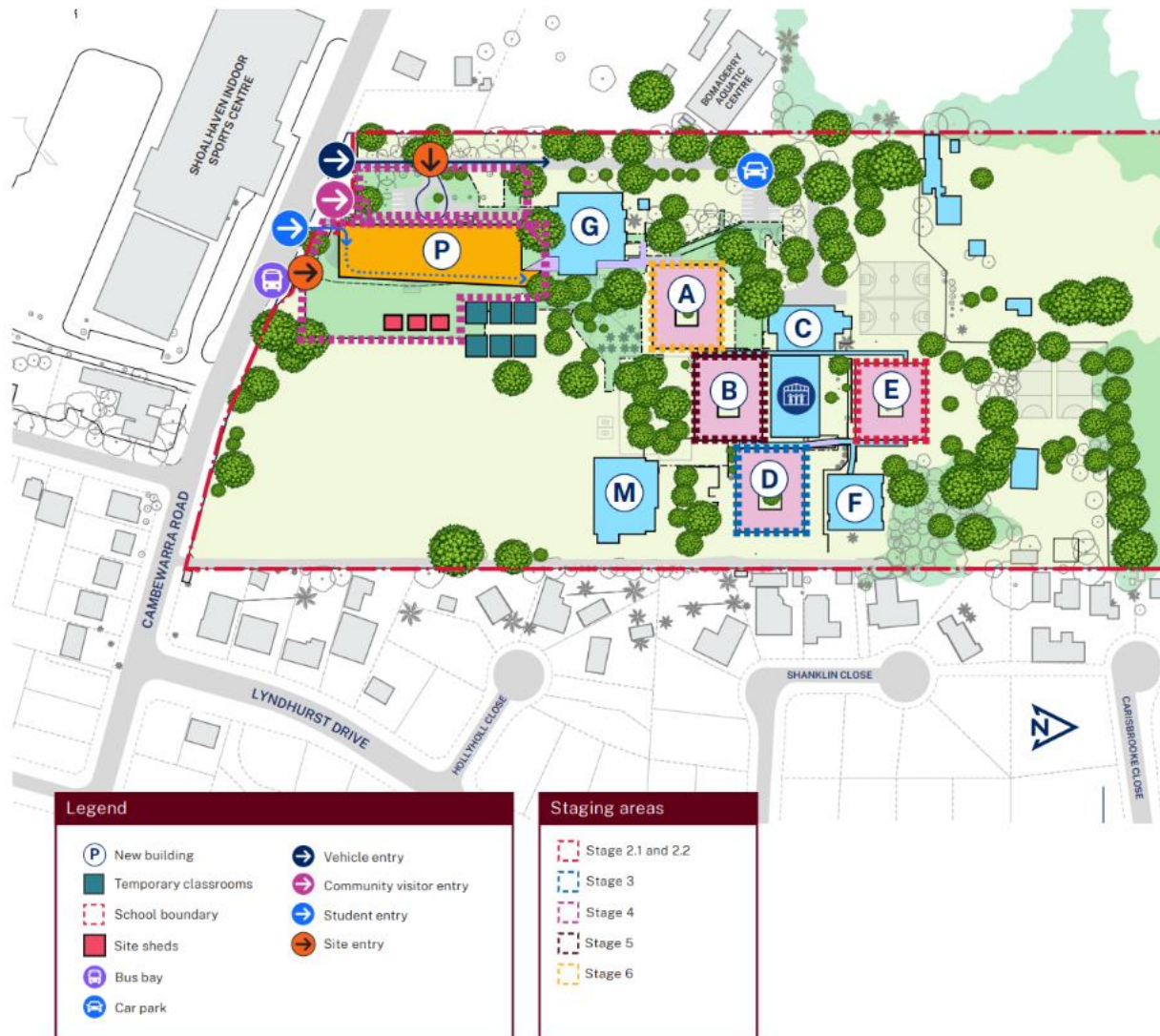
Stage 6 – Building A refurbishment

The refurbishment of Building A will commence in July 2026 and be ready for use by Term 1 2027. Works in this stage will include internal refurbishments of classrooms for support learning and general learning, staff accommodation and toilet upgrades, installation of a new lift, handrail upgrades and external upgrades. A temporary site will be set up with access located to the east of the building.

Completion

At the completion of building works, 6 temporary demountable teaching spaces will be removed from the Cambewarra Road site entrance. Minor landscaping works will occur at the front of the school prior to the removal of the construction site.

Staging plan



Managing construction impacts

The safety of the school’s students, staff, visitors and the local community is our highest priority. Construction is planned so there is minimal impact on school operations. Safety measures are in place to separate the construction site from areas occupied by the school and ensure students are unable to enter construction areas. There is regular consultation with the school to discuss construction progress.



For more information about how we manage construction impacts please visit our webpage at edu.nsw.link/ConstructionImpacts or scan the QR code.

Remediation works during school summer holidays

Planned remediation works will be carried out to Building C (known as the canteen building) from late December 2024 to early March 2025. The repairs will involve working with known asbestos containing material (ACM) in the ceiling structures, as listed on the school's asbestos register. The material has been confirmed as friable asbestos. Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

The works will include the removal of ACM from the roof cavity of Building C, and the replacement of the ceilings and upgrades to the roof structure. As a precaution, the area has been cordoned off to keep students, staff and school visitors separate. All work involving asbestos will take place during the summer school holidays.

All air monitoring to date across the site has returned results below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

These results represent a consistent finding that there is not a detectable level of asbestos fibres in the air in this area. Asbestos fibres pose a risk to health if airborne. In this case the evidence and advice from our hygienist is that there is not airborne asbestos in this area.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws, and the site-specific Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Building C will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated and the contractor will receive a clearance certificate before the area is reopened.

For more information about asbestos, visit the NSW Health website:
health.nsw.gov.au/environment/factsheets

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and local community is our highest priority. We will keep the community updated.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education using the details below.

Stay informed

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You can also email or call us using the details at the bottom of this page.

School Infrastructure will be closed from 5 pm Friday 20 December 2024 to 9 am Monday 6 January 2025.

During this time, if there is an urgent issue, please contact the site manager listed on the construction site entry. In an emergency, please call triple zero (000).

