



Broadwater Public School

Project update | December 2023

Project overview

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

As part of this commitment, a project is underway to rebuild Broadwater Public School, after it was extensively damaged during floods in early 2022.

The project will deliver new modern flood resilient classrooms and school facilities, including a library, canteen, administration area, undercover learning area, yarning circle and landscaping to complement Broadwater Public school's surroundings.

Progress summary

- The detailed designs for internal spaces and landscaping are been finalised with the school through the Project Reference Group (PRG). This includes the internal layouts for the library and administration areas.
- The school has chosen new furniture for the classrooms, library and staff and administration spaces.
- We are working with planning experts and stakeholders to finalise the planning pathway.

Asbestos removal

As part of preparing to rebuild Broadwater Public School, asbestos containing material (ACM) is scheduled to be removed from flood damaged buildings on the school site during the summer school holidays. The material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Working hours will be between **7 am and 6 pm, Monday to Friday** and **8 am to 1pm on Saturdays**.

The area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's 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. Following the work, the area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and a clearance certificate will be issued.

If you have any queries or concerns about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure NSW during business hours on 1300 482 651.

Holiday working hours

School Infrastructure NSW will be closed from 5 pm Friday 22 December 2023 to 9 am Monday 8 January 2024, inclusive, in line with the NSW Government shut down period.

You can continue to contact us during this time, and we will get back to you after we return. 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).

