

Upgrades to Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School

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The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW

The upgrade to Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School will deliver:



More than 150 new and refurbished learning and teaching spaces



Increased quality active play space currently allocated to both schools



Specialist teaching facilities such as maths, science and visual art rooms



Dedicated performing arts spaces and music rooms at the high school



New sports facilities and recreational areas



New libraries and administration facilities



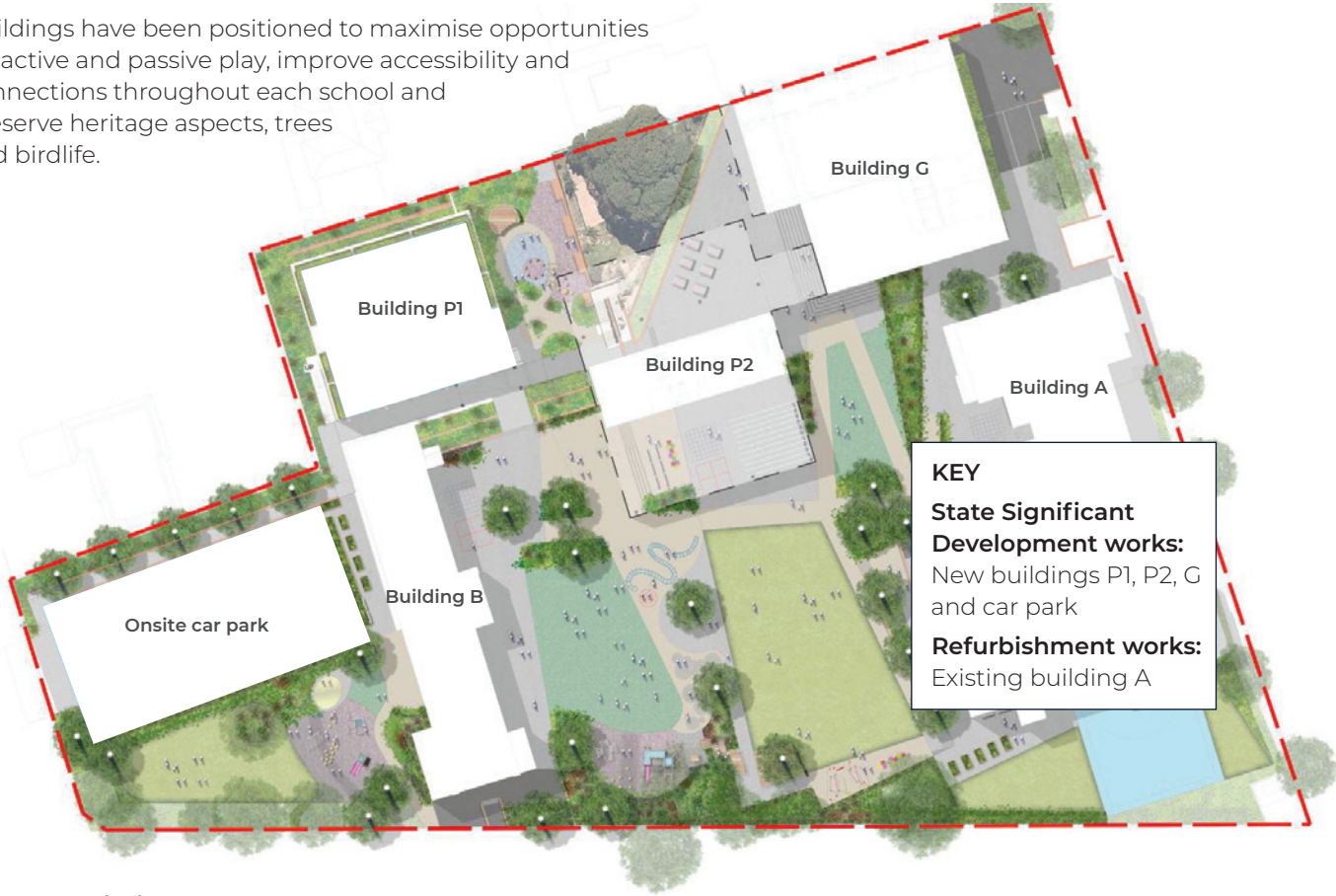
Maker spaces

Approved designs

Chatswood Public School

The approved designs have been developed in consultation with the NSW Government Architect, school executives, school communities and local residents.

Buildings have been positioned to maximise opportunities for active and passive play, improve accessibility and connections throughout each school and preserve heritage aspects, trees and birdlife.



Site map description

New building P1	New building P2	New building G	New onsite car park	Site landscaping
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 storey building General learning areas Support unit 2 levels of covered outdoor learning areas (COLA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 storey building General learning areas Library Canteen Covered outdoor learning area (COLA) Rooftop play space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 storey building Hall Out of School Hours Care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access from Jenkins Street Sports court above Support unit parking Staff parking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graded play space Roof top play space Covered outdoor learning area (COLA) Site access pathways



Artist impression of Chatswood High School central outdoor space. Looking south towards Building S.

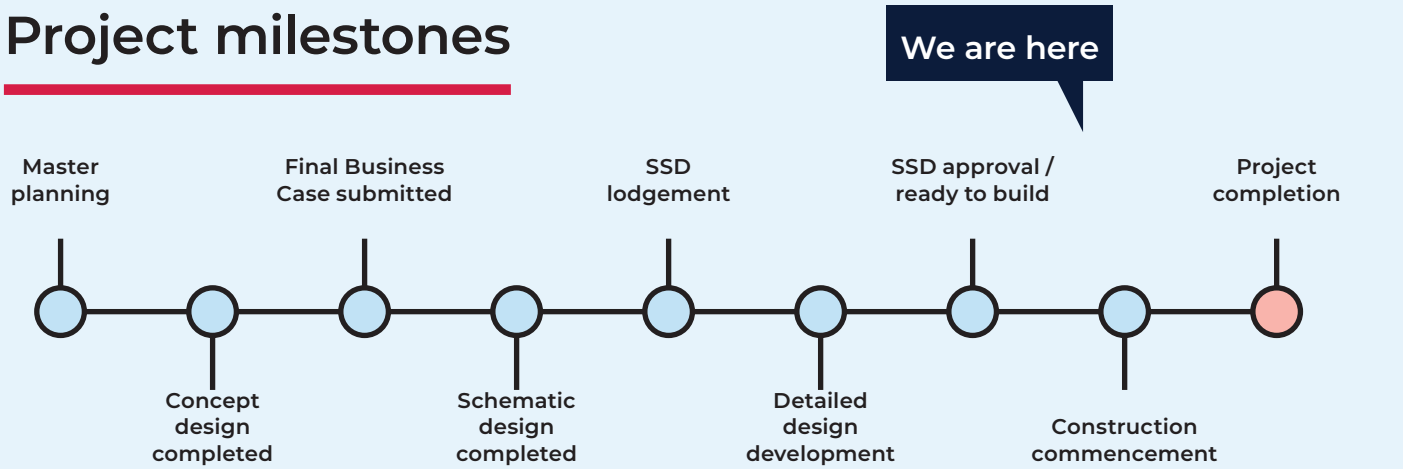
Chatswood High School



School map description

New building Q	New building S	New building T	New building R (Complying Development)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 storey building General learning areas Canteen Administration / Staff Study Senior library facilities Computer rooms Soundhouse Music rooms Covered outdoor learning area (COLA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 storey building Science Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) facilities General learning areas Music facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 storey height building Hall Performance spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 storey building Support unit Integrated Science Technology Engineering and Maths (ISTEM) facilities

Project milestones



Project update

Following approval of the State Significant Development (SSD) application in November 2020, the project team has been preparing both schools for the construction of the main works.

Temporary classrooms have been installed at Chatswood High School and have accommodated public school and high school students since Term 1 2021. This is an important first stage of the project to minimise disruption to the school communities and meet operational needs.

Pre-construction compliance reporting and construction management plans have been finalised and can be viewed on the School Infrastructure NSW project page: www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/c/chatswood-public-school-chatswood-high-school-upgrades.html

Chatswood Public School

Years K-2 students as well as the Multi-Categorical Support Unit have relocated into the new and existing temporary classrooms at the Bush Campus.

Years 3-6 are located on the Public School main campus in existing buildings A, B and D.

Several temporary classrooms have been removed from the main campus to prepare for the construction of new buildings P1 and P2.

Chatswood High School

Chatswood High School students have been relocated from existing buildings C, D and E into the newly installed temporary classrooms on the staff car park, cricket nets, sports courts and in the north-west corner of the school. Buildings C, D and E will be demolished soon to create space for the construction of the new building S (see map on page 6).

Building R is progressing well and is anticipated to be completed in early 2022. The ground floor concrete slab and levels 1 and 2 suspended slabs have been poured. Scaffolding has been erected and the exterior framing is in progress.

What's next

Site preparation for construction of the main State Significant Development works at Chatswood High School and Chatswood Public School will start during Term 2 2021.

This is an exciting milestone for the project and a time when the transformation of both schools will begin to take shape.

All necessary safety precautions will be taken throughout construction to protect students, staff and the local community.

Weekly consultation with the school principals and contractor will continue to discuss the interface between construction and operational requirements as well as steps to ensure safety is always prioritised and disruption is limited.

2021 construction program

Construction will start soon on the main works, pending construction management plans complying with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requirements.

Before construction starts, dilapidation surveys of neighbouring properties and site preparation is required.

You will find an overview of the upcoming construction activities expected for each school outlined on the following page.

Chatswood Public School (see Map 1)

Site preparation (Term 2 2021):

- Installation of hoarding around the Building P1 and P2 work zone. This includes installing hoarding around the lowers, astroturf and staff car park. Hoarding will also remove a section of each covered outdoor learning area (COLA). We are aware of the importance of play space for student's wellbeing. Following consultation with the Student Representative Council, the school will introduce extra activities that students will be able to participate in during breaks. The principal looks forward to sharing the student's preferences with the school community soon.
- Closure of the Pacific Highway vehicle entrance to prepare the driveway and car park as the primary construction entrance. A turntable will be constructed within the existing car park to allow construction vehicles to turn and exit safety and in a forward direction.

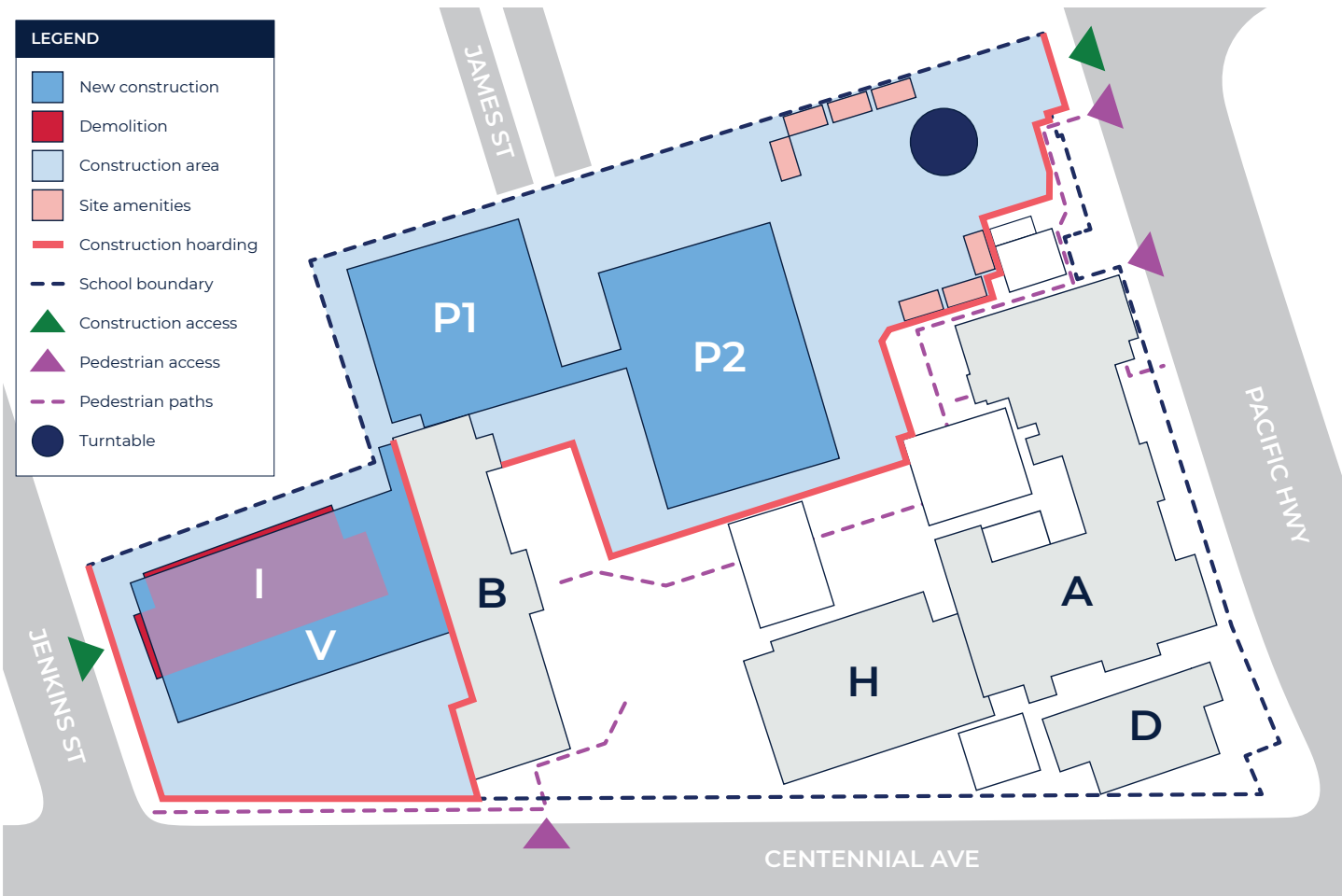
- Closure of the Jenkins Street vehicle entrance to construction vehicles only.
- Installation of site amenities in the existing staff car park.
- All other pedestrian gates will remain unaffected.
- Removal of trees within the work zone as approved by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

Demolition of existing Building I (Term 2 and Term 3 2021):

- Installation of fencing around the work zone.
- Removal of reusable materials.
- Service disconnection and re-routing.
- Use of heavy machinery such as excavators and bulldozers to demolish existing building I.

Construction of new Buildings P1, P2 and car park (from Term 3 2021).

Map 1 - Indicative map of Chatswood Public School



Artist impression of Chatswood Public School

Chatswood High School

Site preparation (Term 2 2021):

- Installation of hoarding around the Building S work zone (existing Buildings C, D and E).
- Closure of the De Villiers Avenue staff car park entrance to construction vehicles only. Construction vehicles will enter and exit in a forward direction.
- Installation of site amenities within the Building S work zone.
- Removal of trees within the work zone as approved by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

Demolition of existing buildings C, D and E (Term 2 and Term 3 2021)

- Removal of reusable materials.
- Service disconnection and re-routing.
- Assessment, removal and disposal of known asbestos containing material according to the Department of Education’s Asbestos Management Plan and SafeWork NSW requirements. The community will be notified in advance of this work starting.
- Use of heavy machinery such as excavators and bulldozers to demolish the buildings.

Construction of new Building S (from Term 3 2021).

Construction of new Building R (anticipated for completion in early 2022).

Construction management

School Infrastructure NSW will continue to keep you informed of upcoming works and potential construction impacts.

All works will be in accordance with the construction management plans that have been prepared and comply with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requirements.

Construction hours

From 7 June 2021, the construction work days and hours will change to reflect those set out in the development consent conditions. This is as a result of the COVID-19 Development – Construction Work Days Order 2020 being revoked. Construction work will take place between 7:00am and 6:00pm Monday to Friday and between 8:00am and 1:00pm on Saturdays. No work will occur on Sundays or public holidays unless notified.

Safety

School Infrastructure NSW is committed to ensuring that work is completed safely and efficiently and with minimal impact to the local community.

Rigorous safety and security measures will be in place for the duration of the works. This will include fencing off the construction area and installing surveillance systems. There will be no access to the construction area by staff or students.

The project team regularly consults with each school to discuss construction progress. All safety concerns will be addressed. The health, safety and well-being of students, staff, neighbours and community is our highest priority.

Traffic and parking

A Construction Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan has been prepared to outline measures to be taken during construction to ensure public safety and minimise disruption to the community. The plan is available on our website and includes construction vehicle movements, potential amendments to existing street signage and traffic control procedures.

Disruption to the local community will be minimised by a number of mitigation strategies, including:

- construction workers being encouraged to use the Chatswood Interchange to access the site
- movement of construction materials taking place where possible within the site boundary
- traffic controllers being in place where required.

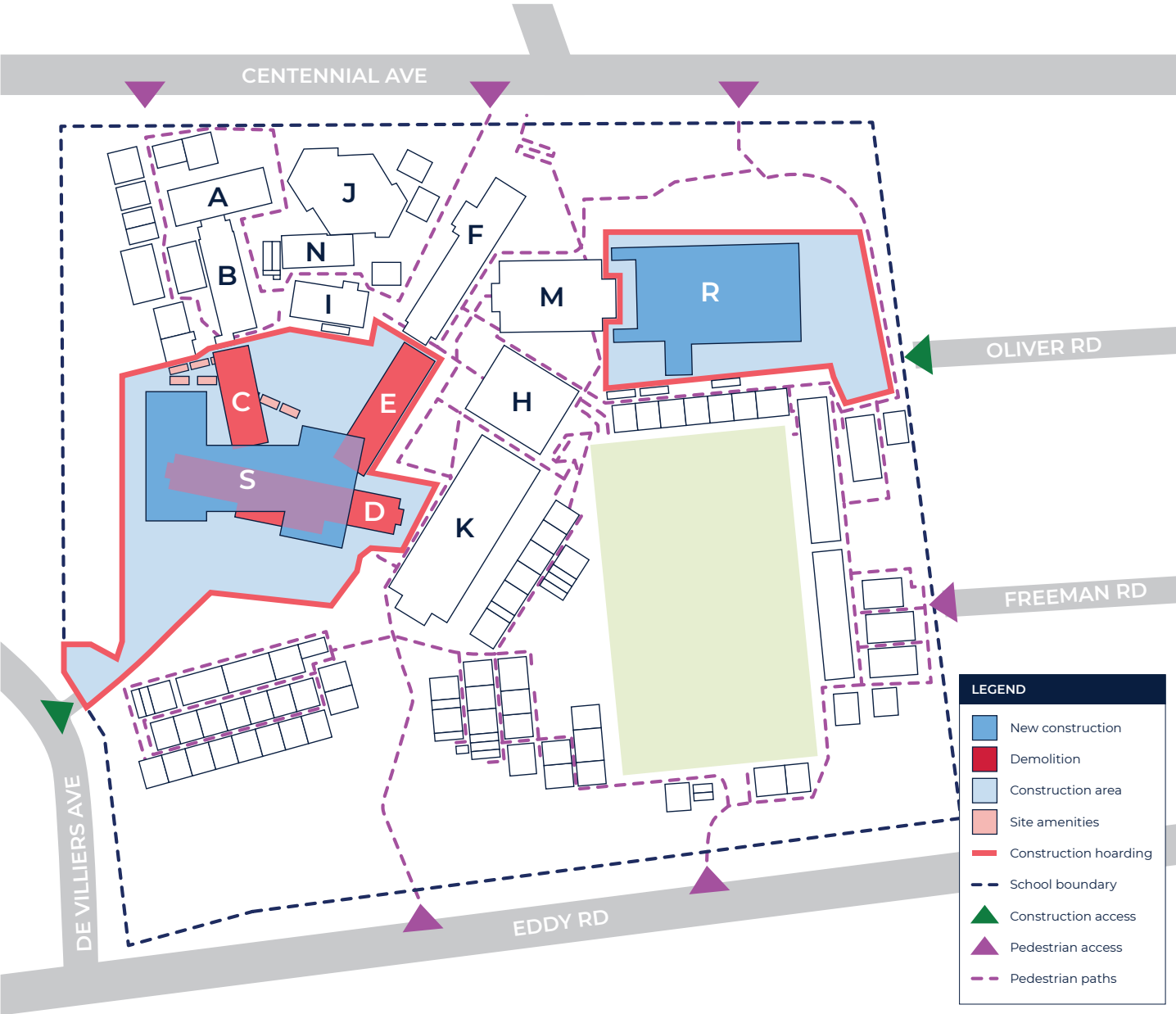
Noise and dust

Noise levels on site will be managed in accordance with the noise control guidelines that are outlined in the EPA Environmental Noise Control Manual for construction and demolition works.

Noise will be kept to a minimum as best as possible during the construction period. We will provide advance notice of work to the local community, particularly when we anticipate high noise generating works.

Dust as a result of demolition and construction works will be hosed down as required.

Map 2 - Chatswood High School





An example of the facilities we are building across NSW

For more information

Thank you for taking the time to learn about the upgrades to Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School.

Due to the nature and scale of the work, we acknowledge that students, staff and the local community will experience some disruption during construction.

We are committed to working together to minimise this disruption as best as we can.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we deliver this important school infrastructure.



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