

Upgrades to Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School

Project update

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Investing in our schools

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 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.

Progress summary

Demountable installation at Chatswood High School continued over the break to provide temporary accommodation for Public School and High School students during construction.

Demountable works remain in progress on the High School basketball courts and to the south of the oval as a result of further consultation with Willoughby Council about their stormwater assets located beneath the courts. These works are anticipated to be completed in Term 1.

Temporary fencing will remain in place in the southwest corner of the oval and around work areas until the completion of these works. The full oval and one basketball court will be available again for student use once the fencing has been removed.

The walkway bridge over the Oliver Road school entrance was completed during the break providing safe access to the Bush Campus from the Centennial Avenue stairs. Public access to the oval from Centennial Avenue stairs will be completed in the coming weeks.

Excavation and early works have started on Building R to the north of the High School oval.

Next steps

- Installation of demountable units will continue at the High School on the basketball courts and to the south of the oval during Term 1.
- Temporary fencing around demountable work areas will be removed as work is completed.
- Construction of Building R will start.
- The project team will finalise the construction management plans in preparation for construction of the main State Significant Development (SSD) works, following the approval of the SSD application in November 2020

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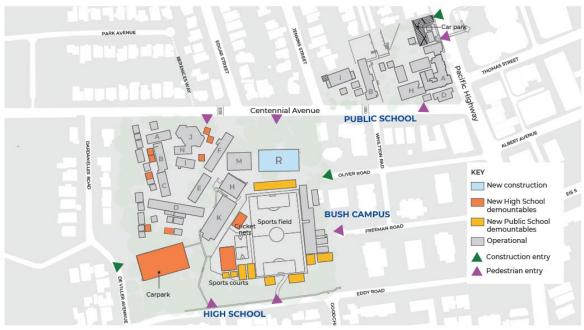
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Indicative map of works at Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School

Frequently asked questions

What are the construction working hours?

Work will be completed from Monday to Saturday, 7:00am and 6:00pm in line with the current NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development – Construction Work Days Order 2020). This is to allow workers to abide by social distancing rules during the COVID-19 pandemic by distributing work across the week. There will be no work on Sundays or Public Holidays without prior notification.

Will the removal of asbestos be required?

Yes. The health, safety and well-being of students, staff, contractors and our neighbours is our highest priority. All known and suspected asbestos is recorded in the school's asbestos registers.

The removal of known asbestos containing material would be completed prior to the commencement of works. The removal of asbestos is managed in accordance with the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and Safe Work NSW by licensed and accredited asbestos removalists and occupational hygienists. It will be managed in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

How will traffic and parking be managed?

The Department of Education is aware of existing traffic congestion on Centennial Avenue and surrounding streets during peak times.

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

- Construction workers will be encouraged to use the Chatswood Interchange to access the site
- Movement of materials will take place where possible within the site boundary
- Contractor deliveries will be loaded and unloaded within the site compound to avoid disrupting traffic
- Traffic controllers will be in place where required.

What steps will be taken to control noise and dust impacts?

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.

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