

# Condong Public School

## Project update | December 2024

Image caption: Artist's impression Condong 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 Condong Public School after it was extensively damaged during floods in early 2022. The project will deliver a raised and more flood resilient school for students and staff, with modern classrooms, a new library, canteen, administration spaces, and landscaping.

### Progress update

- Our planning application to rebuild Condong Public School is under assessment by the Department of Education as a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) under the *Environmental Planning Assessment Act 1979*. The REF was on public exhibition from 15 October - 5 November 2025.
- The school has chosen furniture, fixtures and finishes for the new school through the Project Reference Group (PRG). This includes all new furniture for the classrooms, library and administration spaces.
- We have appointed for the offsite manufacturing of the school building modules.
- As part of ongoing consultation, a Walk on Country was held with the Tweed Wollumbin Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and local community on 23 October 2024 to ensure the school planting, design and daily operations reflect the cultural heritage of the school site and surrounding area.



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## Next steps

- We will be conducting an Aboriginal Culture Heritage Assessment on the school site during January to assess what it required to be undertaken before, during and after any construction activity to ensure compliance with the Heritage NSW. This will determine if an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) is needed. You may notice machinery and people on the school site as part of this work.
- Once all approvals are in place, we will begin site establishment and preparations for rebuilding. This includes consultations with the school community about how best to recognise the history of Condong Public School through a Heritage Interpretation Strategy. Important items such as the Great War Honour Roll, painted murals and plaques will be returned to the school site as part of the rebuilding.

We will let the school and community know about the next steps once we have planning approvals in place. We are expecting Condong Public School staff and students to move into their new flood resilient school during 2025.

## Holiday contact details

School Infrastructure will be closed from 5 pm Friday 20 December 2024 to 9 am Monday 6 January 2025, inclusive. You can continue to contact us during this time, and we will get back to you after we return. In an emergency, please call triple zero (000).

## More information



You can find more information about the project at <https://edu.nsw.link/CondongPS> or by scanning the QR code to the left.

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure NSW during business hours on the contact details below.