

# Darlington Public School

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Detailed design artist impression of Darlington Public School

Darlington Public School is being upgraded to deliver new facilities and provide for growing student enrolments in the area. These new facilities will include:

## Stage 1:



New learning and teaching spaces



Preschool classrooms



A new library



New administration and staff facilities

## Stage 2:



More new learning and teaching spaces



A new hall



A new canteen



Covered outdoor learning areas (COLAs)

## Progress summary

Main works construction began in March 2021 and is progressing well. Crane activity can be seen on the site assisting construction works and the movement of materials.

The temporary pre-school has been established and is operational from its new facilities. The construction of the new games court and upper terrace has also been completed, with line marking finished over the winter school holidays.

Ground disturbance activities are now complete in the area that forms stage 1 of construction. The area has been remediated in accordance with the Main Works Asbestos Management Plan, the Remediation Action Plan, the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and SafeWork NSW regulations.



Games court line marking completed over winter vacation

## Next steps

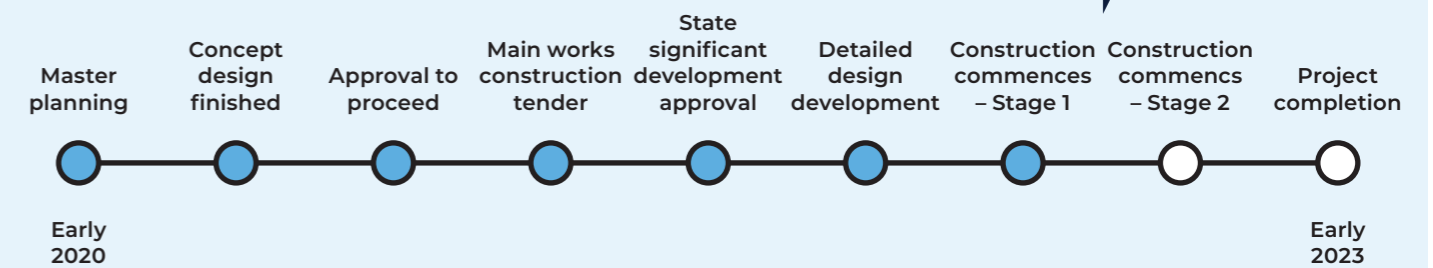
Construction work will be coordinated across two stages to prioritise safety and amenity, minimise disruption and maximise open play space. Stage 1 of main works construction is underway and stage 2 is expected to begin in 2022.

Over the coming months, work will continue to construct the new school building. This includes concrete pours, installation of scaffolding and completing structural elements of the new school building.



Detailed design artist impression of Darlington Public School play facilities

## Timeline



### Stage 1 of construction

We are currently in Stage 1 of construction. So far, Block C has been demolished and the new games court and temporary pre-school have been built.

The new building to accommodate the new library, administration and 12 classrooms (3 preschool and 9 for years K-6) is currently under construction.

### What to expect once Stage 1 of construction is finished

When Stage 1 has been finished, the following facilities will be available for the school to use:

- 3 preschool classrooms
- 9 complete classrooms for years K-6
- Temporary staffroom
- Shared library and hall
- Temporary OSHC facility in preschool
- Temporary special programs room on Level 2

At the start of the next phase of construction, the school will move into the newly completed Stage 1 building.



Detailed design artist impression of Darlington Public School from above

## Frequently asked questions

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### What hours does work take place on site?

The NSW Government has recently passed legislation to allow construction hours to be extended outside of those specified in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979) under the COVID-19 Development-Construction Work Days Order (No 3) 2021 to protect the health, safety and welfare of construction workers and our community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The new construction hours are:

- 7:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday
- 7:00am to 5:00pm Saturday
- 9:00am to 5:00pm Sunday.

Work completed on a Sunday is restricted to certain activities to minimise noise and impact to the community.

### How are dust and noise being managed during construction?

Any activity that could exceed approved construction noise management levels will be managed in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Noise will be kept to a minimum as best as possible during construction, and dust as a result of demolition will be hosed as required. Trucks making deliveries to the site will have their loads covered. The site will undergo periodic air monitoring and noise and dust will be appropriately managed throughout construction in accordance with the State Significant Development application consent conditions.

### How are traffic impacts being managed during construction?

Through Stage 1 of main works, the contractor's access to the site will be via the works zone on Golden Grove Street with materials lifted over the pedestrian hoarding. Movement of construction vehicles will be restricted at drop-off and pick-up times to limit congestion around the school.

### How are the school community being kept safe during construction?

The safety of the school's students, staff, visitors and the local community is our highest priority. Construction planning has been designed 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.

### When will the project be finished?

The Darlington Public School upgrade is expected to be completed in early 2023.

### How do I get involved?

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible facilities for students. Your feedback on this project is important to us.

For more information, questions or to make a comment please email us at [schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au) or phone 1300 482 651. The health and safety of our students, staff and community are our priority.

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