## Empire Vale Public School Project update | October 2024



#### Investing in our schools

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.

#### **Project overview**

As part of this commitment Empire Vale Public School has been rebuilt after being extensively damaged during floods in early 2022. The project has delivered new modern flood resilient classrooms and school facilities, including a library, canteen, administration area, undercover learning area, yarning circle and landscaping to complement the school's surroundings.

#### **Progress update**

Students moved into their new school facilities on 9 September 2024 and celebrated their new school at a community event on 23 September 2024.

We will keep working with the school to help everyone settle into the new facilities.

#### **Next steps**

Work will begin shortly on remediation of the heritage listed school building, which was damaged during the floods. The work will include desalination of the building's lower walls and replacement of the flood damaged floor. The school's playing field will also be repaired and regraded during the summer holiday break ready for the start of Term 1 2025.

### Thankyou

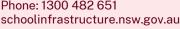


We would like to thank Empire Vale Public School parents, students, staff and neighbours for your patience during planning and construction and hope you enjoy learning and teaching in your new spaces.

You can watch the video celebrating such an important milestone at https://edu.nsw.link/EmpireValePS-FloodRecovery or by scanning the QR code.



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# Empire Vale Public School students and staff celebrating the opening of their new flood resilient school





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