### NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure



## **Fort Street Public School**

Project update

March 2020

### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

### Fort Street Public School upgrade

The Fort Street Public School upgrade will cater to growing enrolments and provide exciting new learning and teaching facilities. The upgrade will include:

- new flexible learning spaces in existing and new buildings
- new play spaces
- landscaping and new gardens.

### School relocation – Term 3, 2020

Due to the constraints of the Fort Street Public School site, students will be relocated to a temporary (pop-up) school while construction is underway. We are currently seeking planning approval to use the pop-up school at Wentworth Park in Glebe from Day 1 Term 3, Tuesday 21 July 2020.

The Wentworth Park pop-up school has 14 classrooms and other key facilities including a school hall, Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA), and plenty of play space both at the school and in the surrounding Wentworth Park.

We will be working closely with you to make the transition as smooth as possible. To assist with planning, we will soon be asking you to complete a survey that will help us better understand your current circumstances, like transport and before/after school arrangements.

On 7 April 2020, we'll be holding an information session where you can find out more about the planned relocation, ask questions and give your feedback. Please see overleaf for details.







# Planning approval for using Wentworth Park pop-up school

Before Fort Street Public School can move into the pop-up school, we need an approved lease agreement. This requires approval by the City of Sydney, the Department of Education, Wentworth Park Sporting Complex Land Manager and Crown Lands. We expect this will be finalised in the next couple of months.

As you may be aware, Ultimo Public School have been using the Wentworth Park pop-up school since 2018. They moved into their new school on 16 March 2020.

### State Significant Development Application

We will be lodging the State Significant Development Application (SSDA) for the new Fort Street Public School shortly. We expect the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) will place the SSDA on public exhibition in April 2020. Pending approval of the SSDA, we expect that construction of the school upgrade will start in early 2021. We will continue to keep you updated, including how to view the SSDA, as the project progresses.

## Indicative timeline



### Upcoming information session

We'll be holding an information session where you can find out more about the SSDA and planned relocation to Wentworth Park, ask questions and give your feedback.

Date: Tuesday 7 April 2020 Time: 3:00pm – 7:00pm Location: Fort Street Public School, School Hall

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