NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure



Hunter School of Performing Arts

Construction update

December 2018

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6 billion over the next four years to deliver more than 170 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$847 million is being spent on school maintenance over four years, along with a record \$500 million for the sustainable Cooler Classrooms program to provide air conditioning to schools. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Hunter School of Performing Arts

A project is well underway at the Hunter School of Performing Arts to upgrade the school's performing arts facilities, gymnasium and outdoor sports courts. This will include the construction of a new performing arts block, followed by the demolition of the bini shell.

Progress summary

Upcoming works during December 2018 and January 2019 will include demolition of the bini shell, landscaping works and construction of the sports courts.

Demolition of the bini shell

Demolition of the bini shell will start from Saturday 8 December, weather and site conditions permitting. Demolition will include the following activities:

- installation of site fencing and hoarding around the work area
- internal strip out of the building and removal of asbestos materials
- demolition of bini shell structure. High impact demolition works will be scheduled on a weekend outside of school hours and in the school holidays at the end of Term 4
- removal of materials from the site in trucks.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

Please see overleaf for more information.

Thank you

The project is forecast to be completed in time for Day 1 Term 1 2019 and we are thrilled to be delivering it to the school community. We thank you for your patience during construction.



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Frequently asked questions

What works will be completed over the holidays?

Works during the upcoming school holiday period will include completion of the bini shell demolition, landscaping works and construction of the sports courts.

What are the construction working hours?

Standard construction hours are 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm Saturday. Further notification will be provided to the community if work is required outside of these hours.

In order to minimise disruption to the school community during the demolition phase, materials will also be removed from the site from 4.00am to 6.30am and 6.00pm to 10.00pm.

Will construction take place over Christmas and New Year?

Work will continue through the Christmas and New Year period, however no work will take place on public holidays.

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

Hoarding and shade cloth will be erected to reduce noise and dust impacts on the school and our neighbours. Dust from demolition and construction works will be hosed down as required.

How will traffic be managed?

Traffic management will be in place where required for the safety of students, staff, the local community and workers.

How will the removal of asbestos materials be managed?

Materials containing asbestos have been identified within the bini dome and will be removed prior to the demolition of the structure.

The health, safety and well-being of students, staff and our neighbours is our highest priority, and all necessary measures will be implemented to ensure that the material is removed safely.

This work will be carried out by a licensed asbestos removal contractor and will be conducted in accordance with the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and Safe Work NSW requirements.

Please be aware that removal of asbestos will pose no risk to staff, students or the local community. The asbestos on site is classified as "non-friable", which means it is bonded with other materials (such as cement or vinyl) and cannot be crumbled or powdered by light pressure.

Who can I contact if I have a concern about construction works over the holidays?

If you have any queries or concerns about this project you can contact School Infrastructure NSW during business hours on 1300 482 651.

How will you keep us informed during construction?

School infrastructure NSW will continue to provide information through regular project updates, school newsletters and our website.

For more information contact:

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