



Artist impression of the Monaro High School performing arts centre

## Monaro High School

### Project update

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#### 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.

#### Monaro High School upgrade

A project is underway to upgrade Monaro High School. The project will deliver:

- new flexible learning spaces, including specialised learning spaces for art, performance, and technology in a dedicated Innovation (STEAM) Hub
- a new two-storey performing arts centre with capacity for 350 people, including health and physical education facilities
- a new semi-commercial kitchen
- upgrade of wood and metal workshops
- refurbished staff facilities.

#### Progress summary

Planning approval was granted by local council in late 2019. The construction contract was awarded to St Hilliers who began site establishment and early works in late 2019.

#### Works update

Works are progressing well at Monaro High School. Demolition of Buildings B and F is complete and work is underway to prepare Building A for demolition.

Works are underway to refurbish the ground floor of Block C into new staff rooms and facilities. It is anticipated these facilities will be handed over and operational during Term 2, 2020.

Discussions are ongoing with the school through PRG meetings to confirm the schematic designs. This includes selecting the colour scheme for the interiors and exteriors of the performing arts centre and administration building.

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## Frequently asked questions

### What traffic changes have taken place on Yanni Street?

As of Term 1 2020 traffic changes have come into effect around Monaro High School. These include:

- Yanni Street being converted from a two-way street to a one-way street, with traffic heading westbound towards Mittagang Road (Yarra Street will remain as a two-way).
- Angled on-street parking spaces along Yanni Street have been adjusted in line with the traffic directional change.
- The school bus set-down area has been relocated to Yanni Street.

Signage has been provided where appropriate to remind drivers of the revised traffic conditions and parking arrangement.

### How will traffic be managed?

A traffic control plan has been implemented to manage traffic and ensure site safety during construction. Construction vehicle movements and deliveries have been scheduled outside of peak school operation times. The school community and residents will be updated by School Infrastructure NSW about heavy vehicle routes, site entry and traffic disruptions on public roads over the course of the project.

### What are the construction working hours?

Work will take place between 7:00am - 5:00pm Monday to Friday and 8:00am - 1:00pm on Saturdays, weather and site conditions permitting. The community will be kept informed of any changes to the approved working hours.

### What safety measures will be in place?

Health and safety is our highest priority. We are working collaboratively with the local school communities and neighbours to ensure that construction works will be scheduled and managed to minimise impacts to the community where possible.

The construction site has been fenced and signed, with physical and visual separation of the construction area and neighbouring school grounds. Students and staff are prohibited from entering the construction site. Neighbours who may be potentially impacted by construction works, including any work conducted outside of approved hours, will receive a works notification providing advance notice.

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

We have engaged a range of methods to manage and control construction impacts to neighbouring schools and the wider community.

Hoarding and shade cloth will be erected to reduce dust and noise impacts. Dust will be controlled by spraying water during earth works whenever permissible under water-use restrictions. Trucks entering and leaving the site will cover their loads. Dust and noise will be minimised through the use of hoarding and shade cloth.