



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.

The NSW Department of Education is committed to delivering new and upgraded schools for communities across NSW. The delivery of these important projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students and supports growth in the local economy.

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 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

The upgrade to Monaro High School is progressing. Refurbishment of Building C's staff area has been completed and staff have relocated back to the new spaces.

Work over recent months has included site remediation and demolition of Building A, work to a new carpark adjacent to the performing arts centre, installation of a stormwater system across the site, and progressing the work on the dedicated innovation hub, semi-commercial kitchen and the performing arts centre.

Work on redefining site levels and building retaining walls has also started.

Upcoming works

Work will progress across the site with particular emphasis on the dedicated innovation hub for handover to the school in Term 4. Work will continue on the semi-commercial kitchen building and the performing arts centre.

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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.