



## Murrumbidgee Regional High School – Griffith site

Project update

September 2019

### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over the next four years to deliver 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.

### Upcoming works

Upcoming early works will soon commence at both the Griffith and Wade sites of Murrumbidgee Regional High School. These early works will occur from the September/October 2019 school holidays through to early December.

Early works at the Griffith site will include:

- Site establishment, including installation of site fencing, site sheds and access points
- Relocation of admin and PE staff room to temporary demountables in the south-west corner of the school next to Building F
- Demolition works of Buildings A West and D, and removal of contaminated material.

The construction site will be fenced and signed, with physical and visual separation of the construction area from the school grounds. Students and staff are prohibited from entering the construction site.

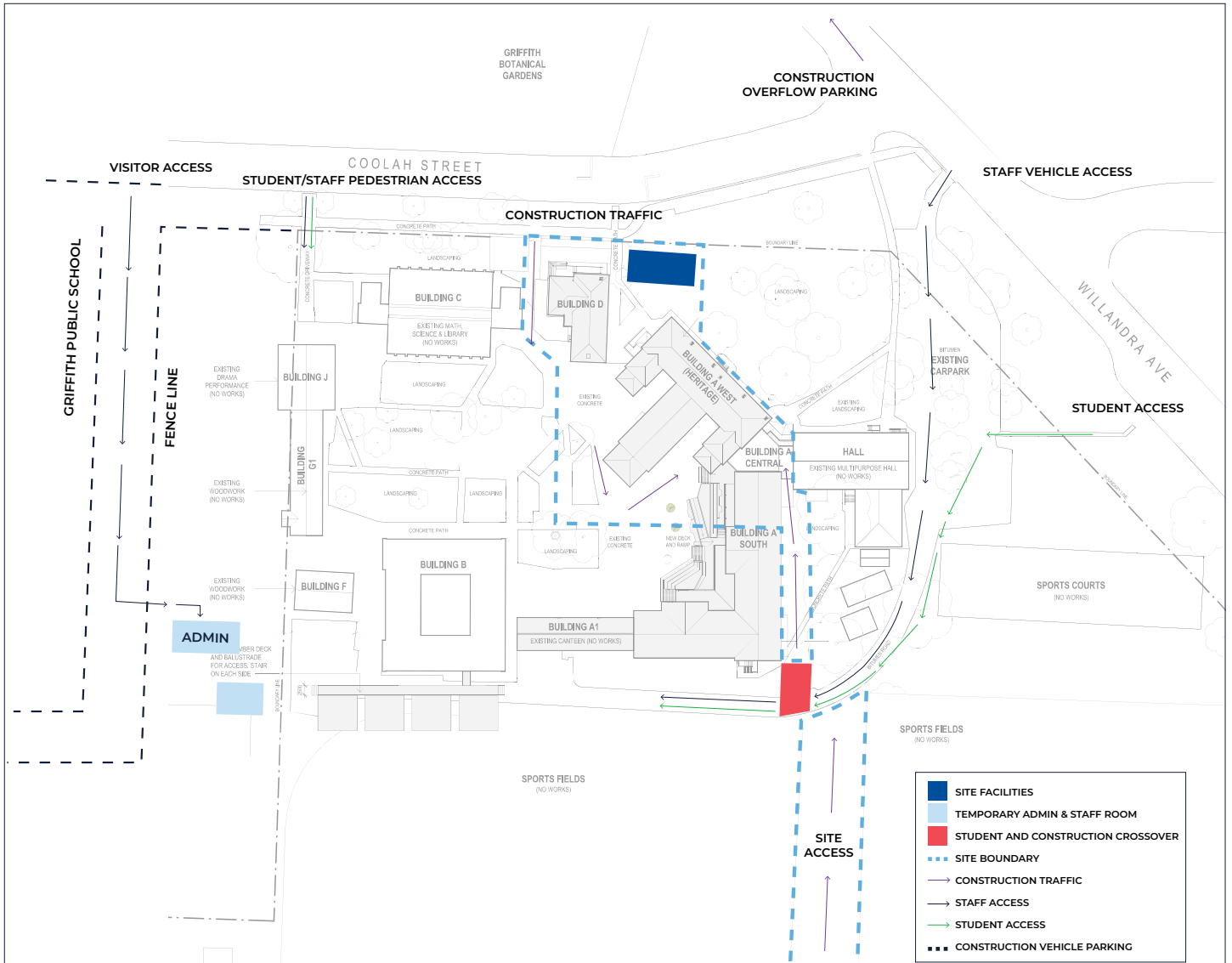
We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the school and community at every opportunity, including working around HSC exam times to avoid causing any noise disturbance during exams. Construction traffic will be managed according to a traffic management plan and construction related vehicles are directed to park on-site at the Wade site, and on Willandra Avenue (near City Park) at the Griffith site.

### Removal of contaminated material

The upcoming work will involve removing non-friable (bonded) asbestos from the site. Safety measures have been put in place to ensure there is no risk to students, staff or the local community.

Contaminated material will be removed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor outside of school hours. The works will be conducted in accordance with the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and Safe Work NSW requirements including the following precautionary measures:

- Isolation of the work area
- Monitoring, testing and clearance certification by a consultant hygienist.



Site access and movement at Griffith site during construction

## New access arrangements

Starting from day 1, Term 4 there will be new vehicle and pedestrian access points at the Griffith site, including:

- The new visitor access off Coolah Street will be both for vehicle and pedestrian access. There will be limited visitors parking available in that area.
- There is also a new additional pedestrian access point for staff and students off Willandra Avenue
- Staff vehicle access will remain unchanged.

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## Frequently asked questions

### **A lot of the school will be out of bounds during construction. Will there be enough classrooms and playground space available?**

Yes. We have installed temporary demountables at both sites to ensure there will be enough classrooms available for all classes to run as normal during the construction period. We have worked with the contractor to ensure the absolute minimum of playground space is impacted during construction.

### **Has the designated drop-off and pick-up area at Griffith site changed?**

No. The existing designated drop-off and pick-up area at the eastern end of Coolah Street will not be impacted by the access changes and will operate as usual. Also, construction workers will be parking in the City Park carpark along Willandra Avenue, near the channel, so will not have an impact on parent and student parking zones.

### **My child walks/ rides their bike to school, will it still be safe for them to do this?**

Students are still encouraged to walk or ride their bikes to school. All construction traffic will be managed according to a traffic management plan which aims to minimise overlap with student or staff pedestrian access or pathways.

### **I am a student at the Griffith site, where do I go if I am late to school?**

If you are late to school you will still be required to check-in with administration staff prior to heading to class. You will need to go to the temporary administration demountable which will be accessible via the relocated pedestrian access off Coolah Street.

### **I am a parent at the Griffith site, where do I go if I need to pick my child up early?**

If you are picking your child up early you will still be required to sign them out with administration staff. You will need to go to the temporary administration demountable which will be accessible via the new visitor access off Coolah Street.

### **Will the temporary demountables be accessible?**

Yes. All temporary demountable classrooms, the canteen demountable at the Wade site and the administration demountable at the Griffith site have been installed with ramps to facilitate accessibility for all staff, students and visitors. They will be fully DDA compliant.

If you have any queries relating to these works, please contact School Infrastructure NSW using the contact information below.

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