

Muswellbrook South Public School upgrade

Information pack | December 2021



Artist impression of the Muswellbrook South Public School upgrade

The NSW Government is investing \$7.9 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver 215 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. 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.

Project overview

We are bringing you a major upgrade of the Muswellbrook South Public School to support the growing needs of the local community. The project will deliver:



13 new and 12
upgraded permanent
learning spaces



Upgraded
administration
building



Landscaping
and outdoor
seating areas



A new basketball
court and a half
court



2 handball
courts



Relocation of the
covered outdoor
learning area (COLA)

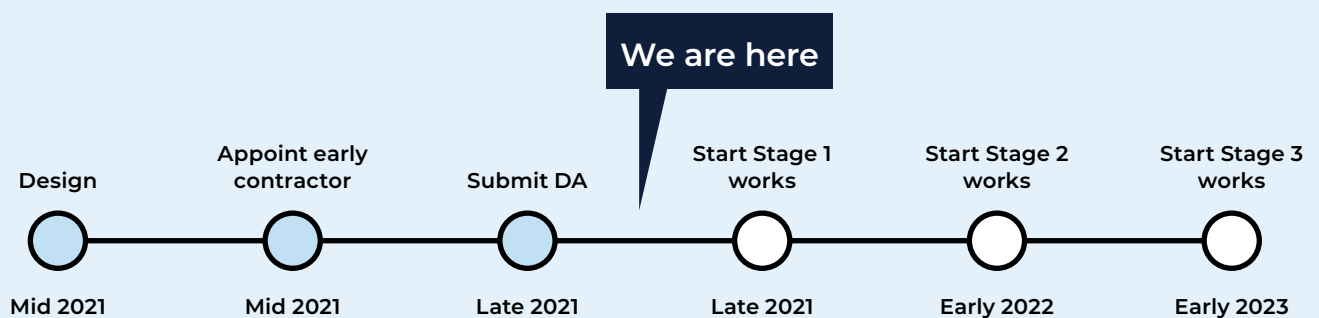
Progress summary

- The concept and schematic designs have been finalised.
- The development application (DA) has been submitted to Muswellbrook Shire Council.

Next steps

- Start Stage 1 works to deliver minor upgrades in blocks G, H, I and S from late 2021 under Exempt Development planning approval.
- Receive DA approval for Stage 2 works.
- Start Stage 2 works.

Anticipated project timeline



Flexible learning spaces

Flexible learning environments feature space, furniture and technology to support greater collaboration and improved learning outcomes.

Flexibility helps teachers provide a broad range of learning experiences. The spaces help empower students to learn at their own pace and support their learning in different ways. Designed with students at the centre, effective learning spaces allow for teaching that suits individual needs and interests.



Artist impression of a flexible learning space

Overview of project staging

The project will be delivered in three stages, with Stage 1 works starting in late 2021.

Stage 1

- Site preparation works including the dismantling of the existing COLA.
- Minor upgrades to existing learning spaces in blocks G, H, I and S.

Planning pathway: Exempt development

Stage 2

- Construction of a new 2 storey, split level building with 13 new learning spaces.
- Relocation of the COLA.
- Installation of the basketball court, half court and handball courts.
- Landscaping and outdoor seating areas.

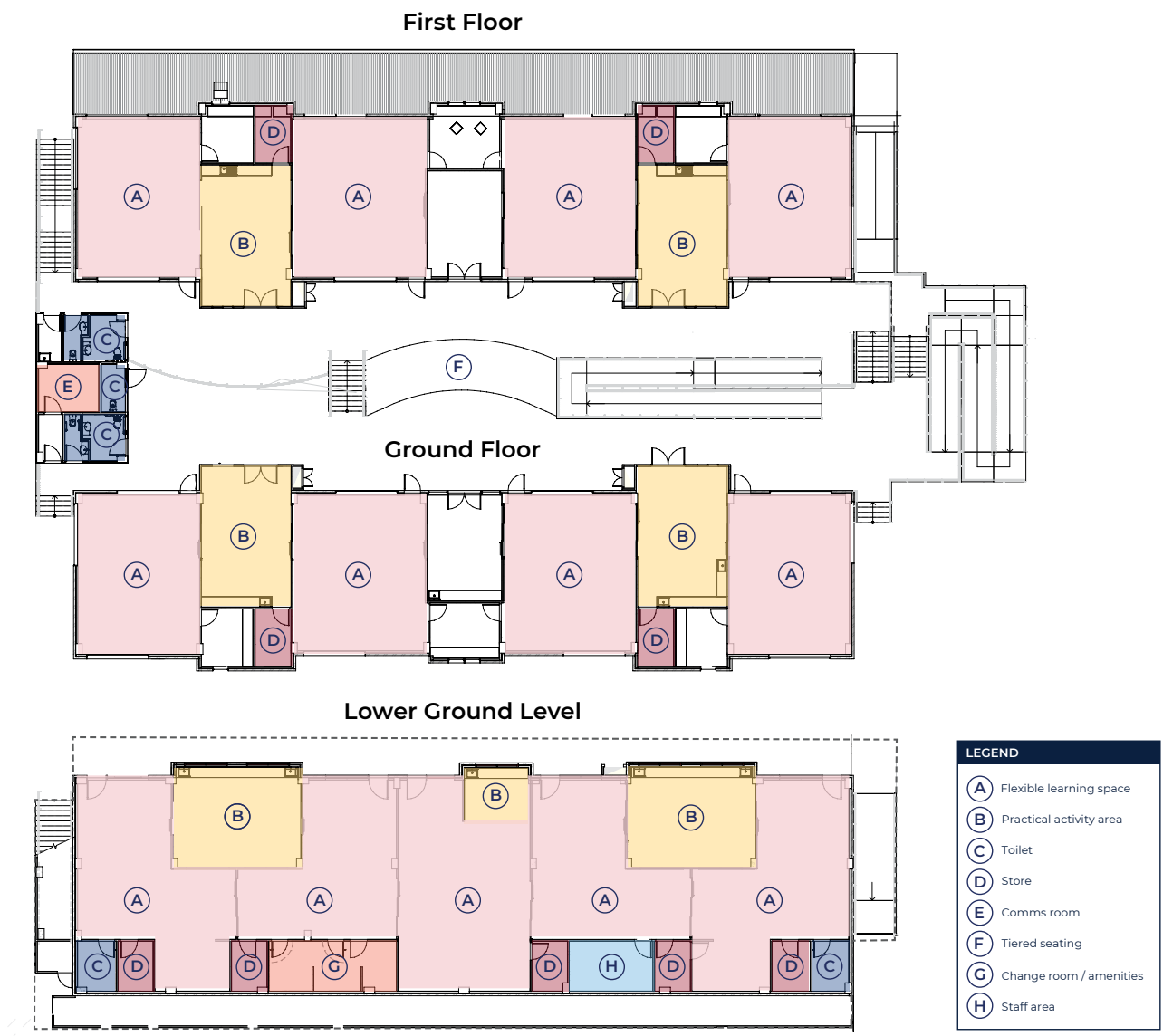
Planning pathway: Development application

Stage 3

- Major upgrades to existing learning spaces in B, C and R.
- Major upgrades to the administration facilities in block A.
- Upgrades to support amenities within Block R.

Planning pathway: Complying development certificate

Site plan of the new building





Artist impression of the middle tier of the new building

Frequently asked questions

Why is the upgrade being delivered in stages?

The upgrade to Muswellbrook South Public School will be delivered in stages to support school operations and to minimise disruption to learning during construction. This project is planned to be delivered in three stages.

When will the DA be submitted?

The department submitted the DA to Muswellbrook Shire Council in November 2021.

When will the DA be on public exhibition?

The DA was placed on public exhibition on 29 November and will be open for two weeks.

How do I view the public exhibition of the DA?

You can view the DA report on the Muswellbrook Shire Council's webpage <https://www.muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition/>.

How do I provide feedback on the DA?

You can provide feedback on Council's website <https://www.muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition> from Monday 29 November to Monday 13 December.

Will there be a change to the school entrances?

There will be no change to the existing school entrance on Maitland Street.

When is the construction of the upgrade expected to start?

Stage 1 works are anticipated to start in late 2021.

The anticipated completion date will be shared with the community after the DA is approved.

How can I get involved?

Your feedback is important to us. School Infrastructure NSW are committed to working with the school and the wider community to deliver the best possible facility.

Throughout the project there will be opportunities to view plans, ask questions and give feedback.

School Infrastructure NSW's website will include details of upcoming opportunities to find out more.

Stay informed



Website

Stay up to date by visiting the School Infrastructure NSW website schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au



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