



Melonba Public School and Melonba High School

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Planning is underway to deliver a new high school and primary school to meet the future population growth in North West Sydney. The schools will include:



Modern classrooms and support learning classrooms



Multi-purpose hall for sports and performance



Library, canteen and administration facilities



Sports and recreation facilities

While planning for the permanent high school continues, a purpose-built, temporary high school catering for years 7 and 8 students will open Day 1 Term 1 2024. The temporary school will include:



Classrooms accommodating 400 students



Dedicated facilities



Operating Day 1 Term 1 2024

Message from the Principal

It is a privilege to be able to join the new Melonba High School community ahead of its opening next year and I am looking forward in continuing to work collaboratively with families and key community members to shape our school over the coming months. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to work in partnership to create an outstanding school environment, where every student learns, grows and belongs.

I am excited by the progress of both the permanent and temporary schools and the fit-for purpose classrooms being planned for our students and teachers to use. Our team of highly skilled and dedicated staff look forward to providing a nurturing and caring environment where our students can thrive. The provision of high-quality education programs and extra-curricular activities will support all our students to achieve their full potential across many areas.

I look forward to welcoming everyone to our temporary facilities by Day 1 Term 1 2024 and the brand new school facilities from 2025. It is an exciting time as community and staff work together to make Melonba High School a vibrant place of learning. Our team are committed to creating a warm and welcoming learning environment that delivers excellence in education and where our children flourish. I can't wait to see what we will achieve together.



Regards,

Leon Weatherstone
Founding Principal

Online enrolment is now open

The school is now accepting enrolments for Day 1 Term 1 2024. You can access the enrolment page for the school by going to the school webpage at melonba-h.schools.nsw.gov.au or scanning the QR code.



The intake area was developed in consultation with the Directors of Leadership, Northwest Strategy School Operational Readiness, and the Ponds Principals Network. Visit schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au to view a map of the intake area.

Timeline



School motto, logo and uniform

We are excited to announce Melonba High School's motto, logo and uniform. These were developed after much community consultation. Thank you to all who participated in our survey and attended the Parent and Community Meeting held at Northbourne Public School where our Principal, Leon Weathertone presented the school operational progress and the results of the values survey which informed our school motto, logo and uniform

School Motto

RISE

- to the challenge
- to the occasion
- each day for the opportunities ahead

School Colours

Yellow (gold)

Blue

Orange (ochre)

School Logo



School Uniform



Backpack



Trousers



Junior shirt



Shorts



Junior blouse



Tartan skirt as an example, design to come



Sport polo shirt



Sport shorts

Melonba High School and Public School project update

Site establishment to prepare the site for construction has begun for Melonba Public School, Melonba High School and the temporary high school. This includes setting up site fencing, site offices and sheds and construction of a contractor car park within both sites.

We are awaiting Development Application (DA) consent for the temporary school and State Significant Development Application (SSD) consent for the permanent high school and primary school. Once the DA and SSD are approved, installation of the temporary school facilities and main works construction at the permanent school site will begin.

Richard Crookes Construction (RCC) has been awarded the design and construct main works contract to build the permanent high school and primary school. RCC will progress with the detailed design of the school and start main works construction once planning approval has been received.

Melonba Public School

In order to maximise play space, the primary school will be 3 storeys, with learning spaces grouped in zones that may focus on the curriculum or school stage. The new primary school will deliver:

- technology rich classrooms to accommodate up to 1000 students
- specialist support classrooms
- multi-purpose hall for sports and performance,
- library, canteen and administration facilities
- out of school hours care
- covered outdoor learning area (COLA)
- sports courts and outdoor play areas.



Artist impression of Melonba Public School entrance

Melonba High School

The new high school is designed to be 3 storeys to maximise outdoor space, with learning spaces grouped in zones that may focus on the curriculum or school stage. The new high school will deliver:

- technology rich classrooms to accommodate up to 2000 students
- library with senior study spaces and meeting areas
- specialist support classrooms
- multi-purpose hall for sports and performance
- hospitality and kitchen spaces
- multi-media and visual arts classrooms
- indoor/outdoor learning areas
- sports courts and oval
- sports courts and outdoor play.



Artist impression of Melonba High School entrance

Temporary Melonba High School

The temporary high school is being planned to start operating from Day 1 Term 1 2024 in purpose-built temporary facilities located at the corner of Galah Street and Rakali Parade.

The temporary high school will deliver:

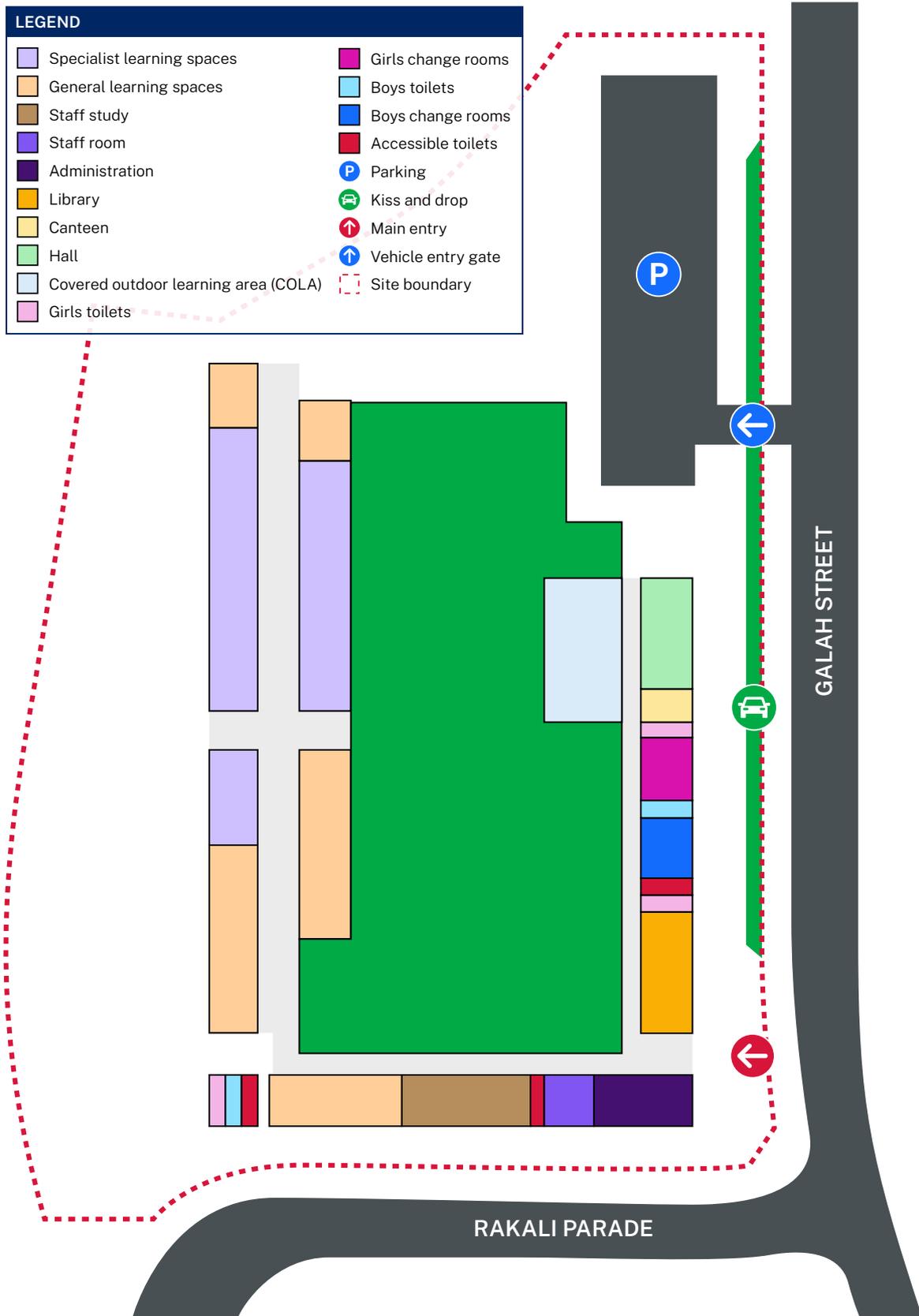
- classrooms to accommodate up to 400 Years 7 and 8 students
- specialist classrooms
- hall, library, canteen and administration facilities
- dedicated toilets and change rooms
- on-site staff parking
- dedicated pick up and drop off bay.



Northwest view: bicycle path to rear of site

Temporary high school indicative site plan

The site plan situates the temporary modular buildings around the perimeter to create a protected educational learning space with the play area at the heart of the site.



Subject to change

Frequently asked questions

Who can enrol in the temporary Melonba High School for 2024?

The temporary high school will accept enrolments for Years 7 and 8 students within the intake area. Visit schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au to access the primary school's intake area.

Children enrolled within the intake area will be prioritised over enrolments outside the intake area.

If you're unable to complete the online enrolment or plan to move within the intake area in 2024, please email melonba-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or contact 02 9830 2000 detailing your circumstances.

What if my child/children are enrolled at another high school?

Your child/children can remain in their current school or enrol at Melonba High School if you live within the intake area.

The Department encourages all students to attend the school they are zoned for and will have policies to ensure a smooth transition to the new school, including collaboration between staff from both schools to understand each student's specific learning needs.

How do I apply for a teaching position at the new high school?

The Teach NSW website will advertise teaching positions for Melonba High School. Visit education.nsw.gov.au/teach-nsw/find-teaching-jobs for more details.

How do I apply for an administrative position at the new high school?

All recruitment for school-based staff, including SLSOs and administration roles, will be advertised on the JobsNSW website. Visit iworkfor.nsw.gov.au to view advertised positions.

Will the temporary facilities be of good quality?

Temporary schools are flexible, modular spaces that help schools to operate while the planning and construction of permanent facilities are underway. We are experienced in constructing temporary schools equipped and resourced in line with equipment and resources provided to permanent schools. Elements such as accessibility, student wellbeing, comfort and technology are at the core of how the temporary facilities are designed and delivered.

For information about temporary schools can be found at edu.nsw.link/TemporarySchools.

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