

New primary school in Murrumbateman

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Artist impression of the new primary school in Murrumbateman, indicative only.

The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 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.



Library



Outdoor learning area



Staff and administration areas



Special program unit



Flexible learning spaces



Canteen

Project summary

The master planning, concept and schematic design phases are now complete. Throughout the development of the design, the project team has sought input from the local community across a broad range of themes and issues. This feedback has been incorporated, where appropriate, in the design.

An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment has been completed, including consultation with local community members and registered Aboriginal parties, such as the Local Aboriginal Land council.

A State Significant Development Application has now been lodged, and is currently on exhibition.

Project Overview

A project is underway to deliver a new primary school for the Murrumbateman community. The school will include flexible learning spaces, a library, hall, canteen, special program unit, covered outdoor learning area and administration and staff facilities. These new facilities will cater for up to 370 students with construction completion expected in early 2023.

Indicative timeline



Site plan



Subject to change



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Frequently asked questions

What happens next?

The next steps for the new primary school project include completing the Environmental Impact Statement and lodging the State Significant Development (SSD) application.

When the project is placed on public exhibition, the community and other stakeholders can formally provide comments. Construction work can start onsite after the SSD application is approved.

What is a State Significant Development (SSD) application?

SSD applications are used for projects that have special significance to the people and State of NSW. The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) is responsible for the planning approval process for SSD applications, rather than a local council.

How can I find out more about the SSDA?

You can find detailed information about the SSD application by going to the DPIE's website: www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40646

How can I provide feedback on the SSDA?

If you would like to provide feedback, make a formal submission during the exhibition period by following the 'Make a Submission' link at www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40646

All feedback on the SSD application should be directed to DPIE via this link.

What do you mean by 'the school is being fast-tracked'?

The project is being fast-tracked as part of the NSW Government's COVID-19 Recovery Plan. The Plan details how the NSW Government will ensure we remain resilient and build a future-proof economy.

Are these latest artist impressions subject to change?

The renders on display right now for the new primary school in Murrumbateman are the final designs being submitted for approval.

Whilst some changes may be required pending the outcome of the SSD application, the overall design will remain consistent.

How many students will the primary school accommodate?

The new school will accommodate around 370 students when it opens in 2023, subject to planning approval.

What is the catchment area for the new primary school?

The school catchment will be confirmed closer to the school opening and will be based on the most up to date demographic data on the number of school aged children living in the local area at the time the school opens. We will share more details about this and how to enrol as the project progresses.

When will the school open?

The new primary school is scheduled to open in early 2023, subject to planning approval.

How will students get to the new primary school?

We identify and review transport impacts early in the planning process and collaborate with state, local and school stakeholders to put appropriate traffic solutions in place.

A detailed transport assessment has been undertaken to identify the challenges and opportunities associated with student travel to the school location, and a report is included as part of the SSD submission.

The project will include Drop off and Pick up facilities.

Virtual Information Session

A virtual information session will be live from 9am 28 June to 5pm 2 July. Here, you will find information about the project, including the design and site layout.

You can access the virtual information session from the project webpage: www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/New-primary-school-in-Murrumbateman.html

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