

# Newcastle East Public School

## Works notification

28 February 2020

### Weekly update on work at Newcastle East Public School

To keep the community informed during ongoing construction and remediation work, we will produce weekly updates in the lead up to completion of work.

As advised in last week's update, the following works are happening this weekend:

- Complete geotechnical investigations in the playground. We will carry out this work outside school hours on Saturday 29 February and Sunday 1 March 2020
- Relocate an existing site shed currently located within the work zone off Brown Street. This will be installed on southern side of the playground within the work area. This relocation will also take place outside of school hours on Saturday 29 February and Sunday 1 March 2020.

### Work between Monday 2 March and Sunday 8 March 2020

#### New Building (Building E)

A project is underway to upgrade Newcastle East Public School. The four new flexible learning spaces, and the covered outdoor learning area were ready for Day 1 Term 1, 2020

Next week we will continue with:

- Landscaping works around the new building
- Testing and commissioning works for the new lift
- Continuation of service connections and associated activities.

#### Heritage building

The ongoing works in this building include the refurbishment of both the administration area and classrooms and replacement of the roof tiles. The asbestos roof tiles were removed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor during the summer holidays.

Next week we will:

- Continue installing the slate on remaining sections of the roof
- Continue refurbishing inside the building where the new slate tiles have been installed including painting and removal of some internal scaffolding
- Finalise the design for services and refurbishment
- Continue service connections.

To enable the roof slating works to be completed and rooms to be reoccupied, some additional out of hours work are required. Work will take place Monday to Saturday between 7am and 5pm, and Sunday between 8am and 4pm, weather permitting. These works will include the removal of internal scaffolding, carpentry and internal and external roofing work. Work on a Sunday will be restricted to quieter activities and noise will be kept to a minimum.

## Playground remediation

Work to remediate the playground has been prioritised. We previously advised the community of the program of work on 11 February 2020 however this work did not proceed. The Department has now identified an opportunity to further enhance the playground and future play space for the school.

We are currently refining the design and revising the program of work and will update the community on this soon. The playground will remain fenced off until all works are complete. Daily air monitoring will continue.

Next week we will:

- Continue revising the detailed design using outcomes from the geotechnical and stormwater investigations
- Occupy the relocated site shed in the southern side of the playground, within the work area.

All work is being undertaken on the advice of an independent hygienist in strict accordance with applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines. Daily air monitoring will continue until all work is completed.

## Keeping you updated

Thank you for your understanding during this important work. We will continue to provide weekly updates to the school community. We welcome any enquiries regarding work at Newcastle East Public School.

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