



Artist impression of Northbourne Public School

# Northbourne Public School

## Project update

April 2021

### Investing in our schools

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.

### Progress summary

Northbourne Public School commenced operations on Day 1 Term 1 2021.

Temporary facilities are currently being used while construction of the permanent facilities is finalised.

When complete, the new school will accommodate up to 1,000 students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Key facilities will include innovative learning spaces, hall, library, games court and sporting fields, covered outdoor learning area (COLA), and staff and administration facilities.

### Construction update

Construction of the permanent facilities is progressing well. All works are on schedule for completion by mid 2021.

The current focus is on the fit out of building interiors. External and internal framing, roofing, floor slabs and utilities are now completed.

A portion of the permanent facilities have been made available from early Term 2 for some students to use.

Handover of the remainder of the permanent school facilities and outdoor spaces is planned for mid 2021. Further information will be provided to the school to ensure the community remains well informed about the permanent facilities prior to their opening.

*(See overleaf for more information.)*

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## Term 2 2021

In Term 2, students in the following classes will learn in one of the new permanent learning spaces:

- S2P
- S2M
- S2F
- S2V
- S2D
- S2R
- S2B
- S3F
- S3T
- S3K
- S3M

All other students will continue learning in the temporary facilities.

For all students, school will begin at 8:30am and finish at 2:30pm. Staff will supervise the playground from 8:00am.

## Frequently asked questions

### Why are parts of the permanent facilities opening early?

We want students to benefit from the new facilities as soon as possible. A portion of the permanent facilities are now complete and have been opened earlier for students to use.

### How did you decide which classes to move to permanent facilities ready for early in Term 2?

A range of factors were considered by the school when making this decision. Priority was given to the classes that were in the demountables closest to Bolwara Drive during Term 1.

### Where are the permanent facilities to be opened early in Term 2 located on the school campus?

These facilities occupy a portion of the new building located on the side of the campus closest to Enmore Street (see the map below). The school hall is situated on the ground floor, while the classrooms are located on the top floor.

The permanent school facilities still under construction are separated from the portion of the permanent facilities now open by hoarding.



Map of Northbourne Public School

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## **Frequently asked questions (continued)**

### **Where are the school entrances?**

During Term 2, all students should continue to use the entrances located on Beale Street and Bolwarra Drive.

The access to the portion of the permanent facilities will be through the temporary school only.

### **How are students being kept safe during pick-up and drop-off?**

During Term 2, all students should continue to use the dedicated kiss and drop zone on Beale Street to ensure safe and efficient access to the school.

Pedestrian crossings are available on both Beale Street and Enmore Street.

### **Is there a canteen?**

While a canteen is an integral part of the permanent school, the canteen will not operate until Term 3. Students must continue to bring their own morning tea and lunch until this time.

### **Where will students play while the permanent outdoor areas and play spaces are being finalised?**

Students access to the outdoor play spaces in the temporary school will continue until all students have relocated to the permanent facilities. Following the full relocation of all students, there will be a change in the temporary outdoor play spaces while the permanent outdoor facilities are finalised.

### **Is there an out of school hours (OSHC) care service?**

Out of hours school care (OSHC) is being provided by Wesley Mission on a temporary basis. From early in Term 2, this service will be relocated to the new permanent school hall. To register your interest, please visit: [bit.ly/2JDlkf3](https://bit.ly/2JDlkf3).

Access to the OSHC will be through the temporary school facilities only.

A procurement process is underway to select a long-term provider for this service, which will begin in Term 3.

### **What are innovative learning spaces?**

Innovative learning spaces are flexible and well-resourced learning spaces so that teachers can design a wide range of learning activities to develop the skills and knowledge of students.

### **What safety measures are in place to protect students and minimise construction disturbance?**

Student safety is our top priority. The construction area has been isolated from operational areas of the temporary and permanent facilities.

A secure fence circles the perimeter of the construction area to prevent students or community members from entering the work zone. The fence has been covered with hoarding and shade cloth to increase security and visual amenity, while minimising noise and other disturbance.

Construction workers have a dedicated entry to the work site. They do not access the operational areas of the temporary or permanent facilities for any reason, and they do not interact with students.

### **What are the construction working hours?**

The NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development Construction Work Days) Order 2020 has been extended to March 2022. This means that School Infrastructure NSW construction sites can operate on weekends and public holidays.

From April 1, construction will take place during the approved hours of construction:

- 7:30am to 6:00pm, Monday to Friday
- 7:30am to 3:00pm, Saturday

No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays, unless otherwise notified.

### **How do I enrol my child in the school?**

Contact Northbourne Public School directly when you're ready to enrol your child in our school. Further information about enrolment is available on the Northbourne Public School website:

<https://northbourn-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

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