Blackett Public Preschool Project update | May 2025

Image caption: An example of the interior of a new public preschool.



100 new public preschools

As part of the plan to rebuild public education, the NSW Government is investing \$769 million to deliver 100 new public preschools, including building public preschools at new government primary schools in NSW, to boost access to public preschool across the state.

The 100 new public preschools will be co-located on public school sites, including new and redeveloped school sites, helping more children access a preschool program before starting school.

Blackett Public Preschool

Work is underway for a new public preschool at Blackett Public School. The proposed location of the preschool is within Building B and is shown on page 2.

The new public preschool will provide a safe and engaging environment for preschool children. It will feature specially designed rooms and a quality outdoor play area and accommodate up to 40 children per day and will include:

- 2 preschool rooms
- an outside play area
- administration area, amenities, staff kitchen and storage.

Progress summary

Early planning for Blackett Public Preschool is now complete. HPAC Pty Ltd has been appointed as the construction contractor, and we will continue to work with them to progress the design of the preschool for construction to begin, which will start once planning approval is received.

We are delivering this project using a classification of works which do not require a Development Application. Plans and works are assessed by a Principal Certifying Authority rather than a local council. Once the approval is received, we will update you on the project progress, including the construction and delivery timeline.



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Next steps

- Continuing with the design process for the preschool. There may be some changes as we progress the design to allow for construction requirements and statutory approvals.
- Site preparation and internal demolition within Building B.

Location of Blackett Public Preschool



The location is subject to change pending planning approvals.



Frequently asked questions

How were the sites chosen?

School sites have been selected based on child development and socioeconomic data, projected demand for preschool, an infrastructure analysis, and valuable insights gained through local feedback during the decision-making process. For more information, visit edu.nsw.link/100NewPublicPreschools or scan the QR code.



When will Blackett Public Preschool open?

Construction for preschool is anticipated to be completed in time for Day 1, Term 1, 2027. The opening date of the preschool will be communicated after service approval is complete.

How many children will Blackett Public Preschool accommodate?

Pending regulatory and building approvals, Blackett Public Preschool will accommodate up to 40 children per day.

At what age can children attend Blackett Public Preschool?

Children can enrol in preschool from the beginning of the school year if they turn 4 years of age on or before 31 July that year.

How can families enrol children at Blackett Public Preschool?

Each school will communicate with their community when enrolment applications can be taken, which is expected to be approximately 6 months before the preschool opening date. Information about the established enrolment process for the existing public preschools is available on the NSW
Department of Education website.

How can I stay updated?



You can find more information about the project at https://edu.nsw.link/BlackettPublicPreschool or by scanning the QR code.

If you would like to sign up to receive ongoing updates about this project directly to your email, please visit edu.nsw.link/BlackettPublicPreschool-SignUp.

