

New facilities at Menindee Central School

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Example of the interior of a new public preschool.



Supporting early childhood education at Menindee Central School

Work is underway to deliver new facilities at Menindee Central School.

The new facilities will provide a safe and engaging environment for children and will feature specially designed rooms and a quality outdoor play area. The construction of these facilities is expected to be completed in time for Day 1 Term 1 2027 to accommodate up to 40 children per day and will include:

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

Progress summary

We are pleased to confirm that SHAPE Australia Pty Ltd has been appointed as the construction contractor for the project. We have established a Project Reference Group (PRG) made up of school and department leadership representatives and a school community representative. We will continue to work with the contractor to progress the design of the new facilities for construction to begin, once planning approval is received.

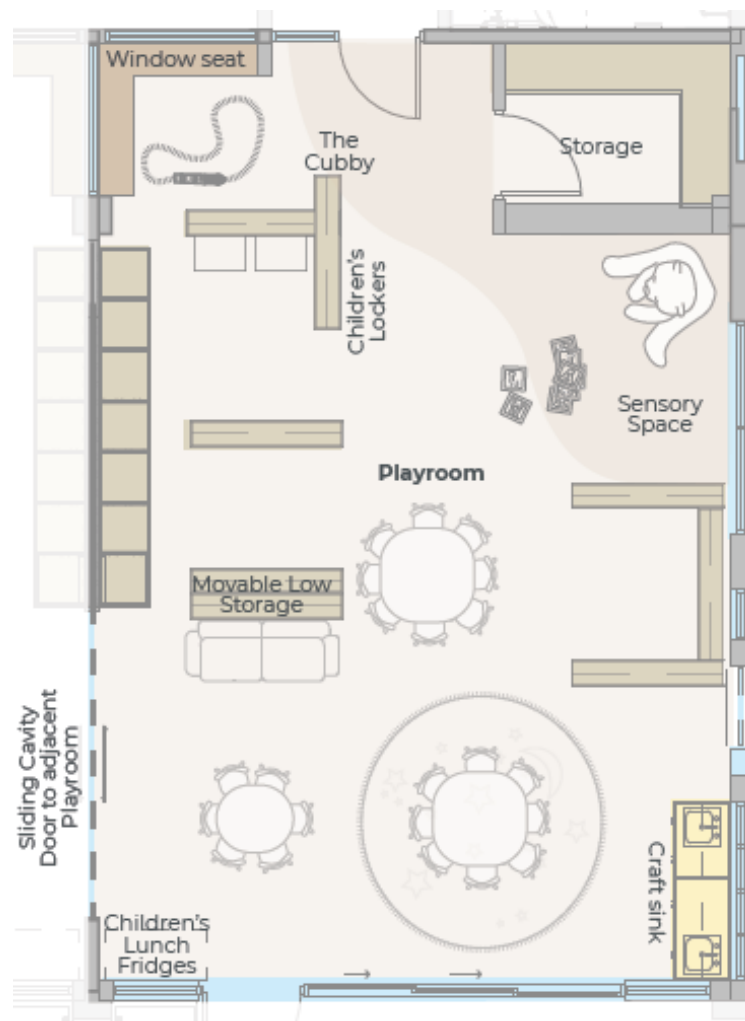
To complete master plans more efficiently, we have adopted a standardised design approach which has been developed in consultation with educational experts as well as design and engineering specialists. This approach also complies with the National Quality Framework (NQF).

The key design principles we are employing are that these facilities should be welcoming and safe, connected with community and the environment, and inclusive, quality play-based learning environments.



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Example playroom layout (indicative only)



Next steps

- With the construction contractor on board, sites assessments are underway, and the design of the new facilities is progressing.
- Preparing and submitting the planning application. Once the approval is received, we will update you on the project progress, including the final location, construction and delivery timeline.

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 the new facilities at Menindee Central School open?

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

How many children will the new facilities accommodate?

Pending regulatory and building approvals, the new facilities at Menindee Central School will accommodate up to 40 children per day.

At what age can children attend the new facilities at Menindee Central School?

The department is consulting with local stakeholders to confirm the enrolment age and operating hours for the new facilities. The community will be notified once this becomes available.

How can families enrol children at new facilities at Menindee Central School?

Each school will communicate with their community when enrolment applications can be taken, which is expected to be approximately 6 months before the opening date. Information about the established enrolment process for the existing public preschools is available on the [NSW Department of Education website](https://www.nsw.gov.au/education).

How can I stay updated?

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

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