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# Upgrade to Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School

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An example of food technology facilities delivered at NSW schools

## Investing in our schools

We are upgrading Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School to provide modern facilities and improve educational outcomes for the school community. The delivery of these projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students.

The upgrade to Randwick Boys High School will deliver upgraded science labs, a Fitness Learning Hub and new Technology and Applied Sciences (TAS) facilities.

The upgrade to Randwick Girls High School will deliver refurbished TAS facilities, a new woodwork learning workshop, enhanced library facilities and an administration reconfiguration that involves relocating the school entry.

In addition to the upgrades, other improvements will be made to both campuses including toilet facilities, roof replacements, power supply, enhancements to the halls and upgrades to movement areas including covered walkways.



### **Progress summary**

In the 2018/19 Budget, the NSW Government announced planning funding to investigate a potential upgrade to Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School. This included analysis of demographic trends and the school community needs, conducting site investigations to assess the condition of existing buildings and surroundings, and transport studies and site due diligence.

As part of this planning, in 2019 the NSW Department of Education considered reclassifying Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School into a co-educational facility. However after careful consideration of educational needs across the local school network and following consultation with department stakeholders, this model was not pursued.

A Final Business Case for upgrades to the schools was developed in 2020 and submitted to NSW Treasury in early 2021 for funding consideration. In July 2021, the NSW Government announced funding for upgrades at Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School.

The 2021/22 NSW Budget allocated funding to deliver new and upgraded learning spaces to support the curriculum being provided at the schools. The allocation and scope of the projects reflects the Eastern Suburbs School Community Group (SCG) enrolment projections following the opening of new and upgraded secondary schools in the wider local area.

The upgrades at Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School will improve the study environment for students, facilitate educational growth through the provision of specialist teaching and learning spaces, and upgrade core facilities.

Early works construction started in July 2022 and will continue in a series of refurbishment works across both schools for the next two years.



# What is being delivered?

The new upgrades to Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School will:

- improve the learning environment for students,
- facilitate educational growth through the provision of specialist teaching and learning spaces, and
- upgrade core facilities.

The department's Asset Management Unit will deliver the projects to both Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School. The delivery approach will be staged over the next two years to ensure both schools remain fully operational during construction and to minimise impact to teaching and learning. All work will be planned in consultation with school leadership to ensure teacher and student needs are prioritised.

#### The upgrade to Randwick Boys High School will deliver:

- Power supply upgrade
- Upgraded science labs (Buildings E and F).
- An indoor and outdoor Fitness Learning Hub utilising an existing general learning space (Building D).
- New Technology and Applied Sciences (TAS) food technology facilities (Building G).
- Covered walkway to the hall

#### The upgrade to Randwick Girls High School will deliver:

- Refurbished Technology and Applied Sciences (TAS) food technology facilities including Vocational Education and Training (VET) standard kitchens (Building A).
- New woodwork learning workshop (Building A).
- Refurbished administration area (Building B) and relocation of school entry.
- Upgraded library facilities including the provision of a new mezzanine level (Building C).
- Covered walkway upgrades.



An example of science facilities delivered at NSW schools



An example of woodwork facilities delivered at NSW schools

## What are the next steps?

School Infrastructure NSW is working with the leadership of Randwick Boys High School and Randwick Girls High School to prioritise the work plan and has appointed an architect to finalise the designs.

The Asset Management Unit will prioritise works that may be able to be delivered by Day 1 Term 1 2023. This includes the Fitness Learning Hub at Randwick Boys High School, and the woodwork learning workshop at Randwick Girls High School. These works are anticipated to start in late 2022. More information will be provided before work starts on these areas.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We will keep the community informed as the project progresses.

# **Frequently asked questions**

#### What works are underway at Randwick Girls and Randwick Boys High Schools?

Early works have started at Randwick Girls High School to upgrade existing student amenity.

Early works currently underway at Randwick Boys High School include an upgrade to the existing school hall, including a new floor and painting.

# What communications will be provided to parents/careers to keep up to date with the progress of the project?

We will provide regular project updates and works notifications to the school community as construction for the upgrades continue.

#### When will construction for the upgrades start?

Early work is underway. Main construction works are anticipated to start in late 2022.

#### How will you ensure public safety during construction?

The safety of the school's students, staff, visitors and the local community is our highest priority. Construction planning will be designed so there is minimal impact on school operations. Safety measures will be in place to separate the construction site from areas occupied by the school to ensure students are unable to enter construction areas. There will be regular consultation with the school to plan work and discuss construction progress.

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