

Thornton Public School upgrade

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Image caption: Example of a new primary school classroom



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As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild public education, the NSW Budget is delivering \$2.1 billion for new and upgraded schools in regional NSW. This targeted investment will ensure growing communities get access to a world class public education.

Project overview

Planning is underway for an upgrade to Thornton Public School to accommodate the future needs of the growing communities in the area.

The upgrade will deliver a new three-storey building with 16 modern classrooms and 3 specialist support classrooms, a new library, a covered outdoor learning area (COLA) and additional parking.

Progress summary

A design team, including an architect, planner, engineers and technical specialists has been appointed and is now working on the upgrade.

In July, we held a Project Reference Group (PRG) meeting with the school leadership team. This marked the start of the master plan validation process which will continue over the coming months to make sure the design meets the school's needs.

Next steps

- Validation of the master plan and further site assessments to understand the site.
- Start consultation with traditional knowledge holders as part of the Connecting with Country process.
- After the master plan has been validated, we will begin working on concept designs and the statutory planning approval process. This will show what the school buildings might look like in reality.



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

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure during business hours on the contact details below.



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