



Artist impression of the new library terrace

## Tweed River High School

Term 3 holiday construction works

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### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 190 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.

### Project overview

Tweed River High School is being upgraded to provide new permanent teaching spaces and core facilities. The scope of work includes new and refurbished learning spaces, a new library and senior learning environment, a new technology and applied studies building, enhanced student canteen and expanded hospitality facilities.

In August 2020 the NSW Government committed an additional \$17 million to provide new specialist vocational education facilities at Tweed River High School. This is in addition to the upgrade project.

Work is currently underway to determine which industry areas the school would like to focus on. Once the scope of work is finalised, the planned vocational education facilities will be incorporated into an updated master plan for the school.

### Progress summary

The refurbishment of the student canteen is now finished providing a modern, light and bright environment for canteen workers as well as new seating, water bubblers and improved servery areas for students.

### Term 3 holiday works

During the Term 3 school holidays, work will start on the extension and refurbishment of J and R blocks. Activities will include:

- Ground works and excavation for storm water connection and electrical upgrade
- Demolition of classrooms in J Block
- Pouring of a new concrete slab for J Block.

Work on J Block will continue during Term 4 to construct new external walls, fit windows and doors, and fit out the interior. Classes currently conducted in J Block will be moved to alternative learning spaces. We are supporting the school to manage this process. Work on R Block is expected to start later in Term 4 and further information will be provided at that time.

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## Work hours

Work will take place between 7:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Saturday. There will be no work on Sundays or public holidays. Deliveries may occur outside of these hours but not before 6:30am or after 6:30pm. The community will be kept informed of any proposed changes to standard working hours.

## Site security

Temporary fencing, hoarding and gates will be installed around the works area and site compound to secure the area, prevent public access and separate the construction zone from operational areas of the school.

## Site map and access

Construction vehicles will access the site through the public car park located to the east of the school. Where possible vehicles will enter directly into the site compound marked in yellow however in some cases they may need to enter via gates located closer to J Block.

Our contractors will ensure that vehicle movements are conducted safely. A 'spotter' will accompany all heavy vehicles, guiding them through the car park to the most appropriate delivery location and ensuring safety of pedestrians, private vehicles and members of the public.

## Aboriginal heritage protection

We are committed to consulting representatives of local Aboriginal communities throughout the planning, design, construction and completion of our projects. We also have a responsibility to comply with the legislation put in place by the NSW Government to protect places and objects of Aboriginal cultural significance.

Work that requires excavation or ground disturbance will be monitored by a heritage consultant and a representative of the Local Aboriginal Land Council. If any objects of potential cultural significance are discovered work will halt immediately and we will work through the required Aboriginal heritage protection processes.

