



Wardell Public School

Project update | December 2023

Project overview

The NSW Government is committed to rebuilding flood impacted schools in the Northern Rivers region, ensuring we build back better with more flood resilient schools for local students and local communities. As part of this commitment, a project is underway to rebuild Wardell Public School, which was extensively damaged during floods in early 2022.

The project will deliver new modern flood resilient classrooms and school facilities, including a library, canteen, an administration area, undercover learning area, yarning circle and landscaping to complement Wardell Public School's surroundings.

Progress summary

- Detailed design for the teaching spaces and landscaping have been finalised in consultation with the school through the Project Reference Group (PRG).
- Planning applications have been submitted and are under review.
- The school has chosen furniture for their new classroom, library and administration spaces.
- The contractor's site establishment and hoardings have commenced.
- Offsite manufacturing of the school will commence before Christmas
- As per our 1 December notification, asbestos containing material is scheduled between 8-14 December 2023 to prepare the school site for demolition and construction.

Next steps

Once we receive all planning approvals, the flood damaged Wardell Public School buildings will be demolished and removed from the school site. **Demolition work may begin in January 2024.** We will provide details with the community before work begins.

Approved working hours for the site are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and to 1pm on Saturdays. No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays, unless otherwise advised.

Holiday working hours

School Infrastructure NSW will be closed from 5 pm Friday 22 December 2023 to 9 am Monday 8 January 2024, inclusive, in line with the NSW Government shut down period. You can continue to contact us during this time, and we will get back to you after we return. If there is an urgent issue, please contact the site manager listed on the construction site entry. In an emergency, please call triple zero (000).

