

Main Arm Upper Public School

Remediation and Repair Update

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Building our flood-impacted schools back better

Remediation and repair works are currently being undertaken by School Infrastructure NSW at seven schools across the Northern Rivers, following the flood event in early 2022. The works are being managed by Public Works and will deliver refurbished and repaired buildings and modernised spaces that support student learning and teaching.

What is happening at Main Arm Public School?

Main Arm Upper Public School suffered extensive damage to most of its buildings as a result of the flood events. Bennett Constructions was appointed in June 2022 to undertake the construction and remediation works. Students are currently learning at a temporary popup school on the school grounds.

Current status

- Mould deep cleaning, monitoring and restoration activities are ongoing.
- Shade structures have been cleaned and the school's playground with new softfall bark has been disinfected and returned to the students.
- Building demolition and strip-out work is near completion.
- Work is underway on the design and layout of classrooms.
- Drainage design around the school is being determined.

Next steps

The forecast completion of the main works program is during Term 2, 2023, pending site and weather conditions, and availability of resources.

What else is happening in the region?

With the cleaning and 'make safe' stage complete, students have been face to face learning either at their own school site in permanent or temporary buildings, or at an alternate site in temporary demountable classrooms since the end of Term 1, 2022. As refurbishment and repair works progress, damaged facilities are being returned to affected schools for normal use. In addition to the remediation and repair program for the seven schools being managed by Public Works, nine schools are in the planning stages of being rebuilt.

We will continue to share information with you as the program of works progresses. We thank you for your patience during works.

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