Brunswick Heads Public School Works notification | 25 March 2024

Dear staff, parents/carers, neighbouring residents and businesses,

In preparation for construction of the new sports court at Brunswick Heads Public School, we engaged an independent arborist to conduct tree inspections on the school grounds.

In October 2023, the AQF9 arborist report provided recommendations to remove two *Ficus benjamina*, commonly known as weeping fig trees. This recommendation is based on the direct damage impacts to the current hall infrastructure from the aggressive root system known to this species.

On 23 February 2024, the recommendation to remove the two trees was approved by Byron Shire Council.

Work to remove the trees will start on Friday 26 April 2024. The area will be fenced off before the work starts and work is expected to take up to 5 days (dependent on weather).

As per of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021, we are required to re-plant from a selection of species as part of this work. The species and details are not yet finalised.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

If you have any questions regarding this work please contact <u>schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or phone 1300 482 651.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



