

Dudley Public School

Project Update | December 2023

We are undertaking remediation works at Dudley Public School following a full site investigation that was carried out by an independent hygienist and overseen by a NSW Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) accredited site auditor in April 2022.

The remediation works will be done in stages, in accordance with the site-specific Remediation Action Plan (RAP) that was endorsed as final by the independent auditor in October 2022.

Progress update

Further to our update in August 2023, the map overleaf summarises the RAP work at Dudley Public School.

We have finalised the remaining playground designs and plan to carry out some early works in line with the guidance from the Remediation Action Plan (RAP) and based on the recommendations made by the independent hygienist.

Upcoming Summer holiday work

To take advantage of the upcoming Summer school holiday period, we will be continuing work in the northern corner of the school playground, currently fenced off. This is Stage 3 of the RAP.

This will involve landscaping works, including the construction of sandstone retaining walls, mass planting and some concreted play areas. It will also include turfing sections of the playground to secure the soil preventing future erosion (see map overleaf).

We aim to finalise this work in mid-2024 so these areas can be reopened as playground spaces once completed.





LEGEND

Stage 1 (finished Term 2 2023)

- Concrete and sports court section
- Interim astroturf section

Stage 2: Tiered astroturf, additional topsoil for grassed area and turf

Stage 3: Garden beds, play areas, turfing, additional topsoil (Summer 2023-24)

Stage 4 (2024 - TBC)

- Perimeter of Stage 4 works (excluding sports court)
- Fill and turf playground and wood chip soft fall
- Replace temporary astroturf with grass turf
- Remains fenced off until the Stage 4 works commence



Next steps

The remaining sections remediation will be done during upcoming 2024 school holiday periods to minimise disruption to teaching and learning.

The occupational hygienist will continue to carry out regular site inspections to ensure the conditions are in strict accordance with the RAP and all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

We will continue to provide regular updates to the school community as the work progresses. Further information on the completion of works will be provided to the school as soon as they become available.

Please be assured that the safety of all students and staff in schools is of paramount importance to the department.

If you have any questions about the project, please contact the school directly, or contact School Infrastructure NSW on 1300 482 651 or schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

