

Robertson Public School

Project update | September 2026

Image caption: Front entrance of Robertson Public School



Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are providing an update on the ongoing management of structural issues, mould and water leaks at Robertson Public School.

Following our update in [June 2026](#), we completed the following works during the winter school holidays:

- replacement of roofs, gutters and downpipes on Buildings C and H
- repair of tiling and wall damage in Buildings E and H
- all MDF walls were replaced with insulation and painted gyprock throughout Building C
- mechanical ventilation installed in Buildings A, B, C H and I storerooms
- removal and replacement of ceiling in Building B
- painting of ceilings through Building B.

One wall behind a server cabinet in Building C requires the removal of a MDF panel that will be replaced during the spring school holidays to avoid disruption to school operations.

During the replacement of the ceiling in Building B, known bonded asbestos located in the ceiling as per the school's asbestos management plan was removed.

All work was done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures were in place while work was being done. All work was completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by independent hygienists.

Term 3 work

We will be continuing this work during Term 3 2026 to improve stormwater management and drainage around buildings. This will include:

- moving built-up garden beds away from buildings that are blocking airflow
- installation of new concrete and drainage around all buildings to direct water away from buildings
- installing a new roof on Building G and increasing gutter and downpipe sizes on all other buildings.



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The replacement of the Building G roof will see music equipment moved to Building A to allow music classes to continue.

Initial work during Term 3 beginning on Monday 14 September 2026 will involve excavation towards the back of the school site; however classes and buildings will not be affected. Concrete will be poured for walkways during the term without disrupting classes.

The spring school holiday period will then provide an opportunity for school-wide construction work including further excavation work and concrete pours to occur, without affecting learning.

Work hours are between 7 am and 6 pm Monday to Friday, and 8 am and 1 pm on Saturday, in line with NSW Environment Protection Authority guidelines.

Future work

We have worked with the independent project manager and school leadership to determine a full scope of works to be completed across the rest of 2026.

These works will be designed to proactively reduce the chance of future water leaks and mould.

This will include:

- installation of new air conditioning systems in all classrooms including a dehumidifier mode
- removal of gas heaters
- annual deep environmental cleans and hygienist inspections across the school
- upgrade of Building D flooring and drainage.

Heritage considerations

Due to the age of Robertson Public School, some buildings requiring investigation and repair work are heritage listed. The department is reviewing the suitability of these heritage buildings and the long-term management of mould on the school site. We will continue to keep you updated and informed as it progresses.

NSW Health advises that mould spores are present virtually everywhere, both indoors and outdoors, and mould is part of a group of very common organisms called fungi that also include mushrooms and yeast.



Further information can be found on the [NSW Health Mould Fact sheet](#).

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure during business hours on the contact details below.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this important work.