

Waitara Public School

Works notification | 17 June 2026

Dear staff, parents, carers and neighbours,

Waitara Public School will be adding new cricket nets next to the soccer field alongside the eastern boundary of the school grounds. It will be a double net, providing 2 pitches separated by a middle dividing fence.

Work will begin on Friday 3 July 2026 and is expected to be complete during Term 3 2026, weather permitting.

The installation of cricket nets will provide enclosed training and an exercise area for students and will only be used by the school. By placing it next to the existing soccer field we are ensuring physical activity continues in the same area of the school site.

The map below shows where the nets will be installed.



The area the nets will be installed in currently contains tables, bench seats, poles and a tree stump. Some tables and bench seats will be relocated on the school site while the poles and tree stump will be removed.



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This work has been confirmed following a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) that included feedback from neighbours. We took our neighbours' feedback on board, and our final design:

- positions the nets 2.7 metres from the shared boundary fence
- constructs the nets entirely of black wire mesh at 3 metres high, reducing the visual impact on neighbouring properties
- includes a wire roof 9 metres long at the batting end, combined with an extended fence, to minimise the risk of balls landing in neighbouring backyards
- complies with all council planning regulations and guidelines.



Example of black wire mesh cricket nets.

The project will include:

- pouring of a single concrete slab
- laying of artificial turf
- installation of the wire mesh cricket nets
- excavation and installation of drainage and filter system to guide water run off and minimise risk of stormwater contamination.

Managing construction

The construction site will be fenced off and inaccessible to students and staff while work is underway.

Construction vehicles and equipment will be used throughout this project. Deliveries will occur outside of pick-up and drop-off periods with traffic management in place.



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.

For more information about how we manage construction impacts, please visit our webpage at edu.nsw.link/ConstructionImpacts or scan the QR code.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education using the details below.

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