Cringila Public School Project update | August 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following the project update issued in <u>May 2025</u>, which is also shared below, we would like to provide an update on the remediation project.

Due to recent wet weather, the finish date of the work has been delayed. We now expect remediation will be finished by the end of September 2025.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following our <u>April 2025 works notification</u> and information session, the remediation project at Cringila Public School began on Monday 5 May 2025.

Progress summary

Since work has started, we have finished the establishment of the worksite such as the installation of a decontamination unit and personal protective equipment safety station. Machinery has been delivered and a new boundary fence wrapped in hessian and plastic has been installed.

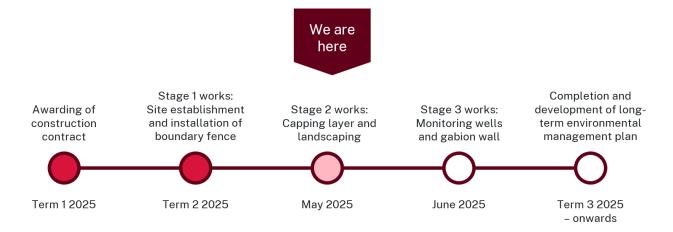
We are now undertaking landscaping works and construction of a new capping layer. The capping layer will be used as a barrier to prevent oxygen reaching the coal wash.

The capping layer will be compiled of a number of materials including a bentonite blanket (geosynthetic clay liner) to provide the sealing layer, a clay cap and finally top-soil and turf.





Timeline



Next steps

During June 2025 we will be installing new monitoring wells and constructing a gabion wall alongside the removal of identified trees.

The gabion wall will be constructed of rocks encased in wire mesh allowing for water drainage, while providing the strength needed for a retaining wall.

Work is scheduled to be finished by Friday 1 August 2025.

Air monitoring and safety

Safety is our priority. We are consistently monitoring air quality, surface and underground temperatures to ensure the area continue to meet strict standards, so that the school can continue with its normal operations.

Remediation work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and closely monitored by an independent environmental consultant.

All air monitoring to date across the site has returned results below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines. These results show that there is not a detectable level of asbestos fibres in the air in this area.

The area will remain fenced with no access for students, staff or community visitors until the remediation works are complete.

Managing construction impacts

Contractors, deliveries and machinery will mainly access the site via the school grounds and double gates on the Cringila Hills Mountain Bike Park boundary fence line. On some occasions deliveries and contractors may need to access the school grounds through the Sheffield Street entrance.

Email: schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au





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.



Scan QR code to visit construction impacts webpage For more information on how construction impacts will be managed, including noise and truck movements, please scan the QR code or visit the School Infrastructure website: Managing construction impacts in your community.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

For more information, including frequently asked questions about the project, scan the QR code or visit the Cringila Public School remediation project webpage.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact the department during business hours on 1300 482 651 or schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.gov.au.

Translation information for Arabic, Turkish and Macedonian speakers can be requested below.









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