

# Lennox Head Public School

## Works Notification

June 2022

During the upcoming winter school holidays, arborists will be on site at Lennox Head Public School to carry out some tree works.

The school site is subject to an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) due to its high cultural significance. The tree removal process required a consultation period with the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAP) and due diligence reviews, which have been completed.

### Tree removal and pruning at Lennox Head Public School

Following an annual tree safety inspection, a number of trees with potential safety issues were identified in the southern portion of the school playground. An independent arborist was then engaged to provide reports on all trees within the school's playground.

The arborist has recommended removal, pruning and trimming of a number of trees. This includes the removal of a *Ficus Elastica* tree, commonly known as an Indian rubber tree, this will reduce risk of damage to infrastructure and allow existing native trees to flourish.

The location of the Indian rubber tree is shown to the right. The remainder of trees requiring works are spread throughout the site.

Most of the work is planned to be completed in the July school holidays between 2 July and 17 July 2022, with the remainder to be completed during the September/October school holidays.

All tree work will be carried out by a suitability qualified arborist in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines. This includes SafeWork NSW regulations, the department's Tree Management Plan and the AHIP. As such, there will be no heavy vehicles on site or ground disturbance.

### Working hours

Tree removal will occur during usual construction hours which are 7 am to 5 pm on weekdays. If there are delays due to weather, some work may potentially take place on Saturdays between 8 am and 4 pm.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity. Thank you for your patience while we undertake this important work.



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