Fennell Bay Public School Community update | November 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following on from the update in <u>December 2023</u>, the remediation scope has been developed, and we have the project at tender for the next stage of the Remediation Action Plan (RAP) works at Fennell Bay Public School.

Current measures in place

As part of the long-term planning, we are continuing to work with the environmental specialist to manage the grounds and the school site.

The western playing field was reopened in early 2024, after fresh topsoil, irrigation and turfing was completed in the 2023–24 Summer School Holiday period.

The area of the school grounds near Boomerang Mountain remains fenced off. Some other areas also have a silt barrier in place to prevent erosion and water runoff.

This remediation project is currently at tender, and we are aiming for landscaping and remediation work to be completed in the first half of 2025.

Next steps

Tender evaluation and head construction contractor engagement is planned for December 2024. Remediation work is planned to start during the Summer School Holidays (2024-25), weather and other conditions permitting.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

More information

For information on environmental and health impacts of lead, see the <u>webpage from the Australian Government Department of Climate Change</u>, the Environment and Water.

For more information about managing lead in the Lake Macquarie region <u>please visit the EPA</u> website.



