

Fennell Bay Public School

School holiday works notification – Winter | 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

The school holidays are the ideal time to complete maintenance and project work across the state without disrupting learning.

Since our last update on [19 February 2025](#), works are continuing for the remediation of outdoor areas at Fennell Bay Public School.

The department is continuing to work with the independent environmental specialist on the remediation of residual lead-containing material and in-ground asbestos.

Recent weather conditions led to minor delays, and we are currently completing the final stages of the Remediation Action Plan (RAP).

Planned work over the winter break

We will be working at your school during the Winter School Holidays – from the end of the school day on Friday 4 July 2025 up to Day 1 Term 3 (Tuesday 22 July 2025).

We are aiming for the final stages of landscaping and remediation to be completed by late July 2025 with all areas due to reopen for use by Day 1 Term 3 2025.

Upcoming holiday works include excavating and removing soil offsite.

Other ongoing work includes soil remediation by adding a layer of geofabric to secure the soil across the eastern and western fields.

Following the excavation and remediation work, fresh topsoil and natural turf will be laid in the western playing field and the eastern playing field area near Boomerang Mountain.

The fenced off areas on the western playing field and the eastern side of the school near Boomerang Mountain will remain isolated within the construction zone until all landscaping is completed.

Alternative open play spaces are available in the central quadrangle and south-eastern playing field.

Current safety measures

Safety measures including temporary fencing, air monitoring, signage and workers wearing personal protective equipment will be in place during the work.

Silt barriers are installed within the construction areas on the western and eastern playing fields to prevent erosion and water runoff.

Works are being supervised by the environmental specialist with dust mitigation and air monitoring in place.



Please see below map for locations:



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 the work, please contact us on the details below.

More information

For information on environmental and health impacts of lead, see the [webpage from the Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water](#).

For more information about managing lead in the Lake Macquarie region [please visit the EPA website](#).