Belair Public School Project update | February 2025

Image caption: example of an outdoor play area



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As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild public education, the 2024-25 Budget is delivering record education funding, including \$1.5 billion investment in maintenance and local upgrades. This targeted investment will ensure growing communities get access to a world class public education.

Project overview

We are continuing to manage in-ground asbestos and plan for the new playground at Belair Public School.

Progress update

During the Summer School Holidays, we have:

- completed asbestos remediation works
- worked with landscapers on the final stages of the Remediation Action Plan
- progressed landscaping work on the playground
- removed the old cricket pitch, old play equipment, concrete footpath, and a concrete wall
- arborist-identified trees have been removed
- soil has been excavated and areas covered with geo-fabric have been encapsulated.

All work was done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures were in place while work was done. All work was completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

Inspection and clearance were provided by the independent hygienist after all remediation work was completed.

These works have not impacted school operations, and we are ready to welcome students and staff for Term 1 2025.



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Next steps

Landscaping and some construction work will continue into Term 1 2025.

Works will include:

- installation of turf, fresh soil, fresh mulch, and Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM),
 retaining walls, garden beds and a concrete area which will double as a basketball court
- installation of new storm water and drainage to be incorporated into the existing stormwater system
- landscaping of rock and timber areas, including laying new turf
- playground installation including soft fall flooring, 2 slides and a climbing rope
- reinstatement and cleanup of affected areas within the school and surrounding areas following construction work.

The project is expected to be completed mid-2025.

The construction zone remains isolated from students and staff, as outlined in the map below.





Rebuilding Public Education

A section of the area which was previously remediated and reopened in Term 2 2024 (highlighted with green stripes in the map provided above) will need to be fenced off again during Term 1 2025 for contractor access.

We will continue to keep the school community updated on the progress of this work including the reopening of these playground areas as this information becomes available.

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

More information

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure during business hours on the contact details below.

