# Maitland Grossmann High School Community Update | 24 October 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Thank you for your continued support and patience regarding changes to the school site and learning arrangements at Maitland Grossmann High School, following the closure of Building E in April 2024.

#### Communication network upgrade

Work has progressed on the relocation of the school's main communications room and the associated communications network upgrade. This is due for completion in early Term 4 which will support the school with faster and more reliable internet connection.

### Learning space renewal

A dedicated area for distance education has been created in the library. This will provide students undertaking distance education subjects a comfortable space, free from distractions, to focus on their lessons.

The Building B science preparation room has been upgraded to provide additional storage space and a safety shower to assist in the event of student or staff exposure to chemicals.

We have begun working with architects to develop designs for a permanent kitchen learning space compliant for the delivery of Certificate II in Cookery.

We will update the school community when more information is available.

## Building D façade repairs

Work to re-clad the exterior wall of Building D, facing Cumberland Street, will take place in early 2025. This will ensure the building is ready to accommodate interior renovations.

### Building assessment and review

Independent hygienists have conducted thorough investigations of Building E, and a review process is continuing to accurately assess its future. Building E remains closed with the safety measures in place as outlined in the <u>Community Update on 27 May</u>, being encapsulation, fencing and environmental cleaning.





A Remediation Action Plan (RAP) is being developed by the independent hygienist in consultation with a structural engineer. All options for the future of Building E and the school site are being carefully considered by the NSW Department of Education (the department).

The review process is lengthy as time is being taken to fully assess the potential scope of work, with careful consideration given to the various impacts to the school community. We appreciate the patience, understanding and resilience shown by the school community.

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

We appreciate the support of school staff, students and families. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



