



Artist impression of the entry to the new Blakebrook Public School (subject to change)

Blakebrook Public School

Information pack | October 2023

Blakebrook Public School suffered extensive damage during the 2022 flood events with flood water entering the school and damaging classrooms, the administration area, library, playgrounds, oval and toilets.

The Department of Education has committed to rebuilding the school and delivering core facilities including classrooms, new administration facilities, library, underneath play areas and toilets on the first and ground levels. The project will deliver:



New permanent classrooms



New library



New play space



New administration area



New school entry

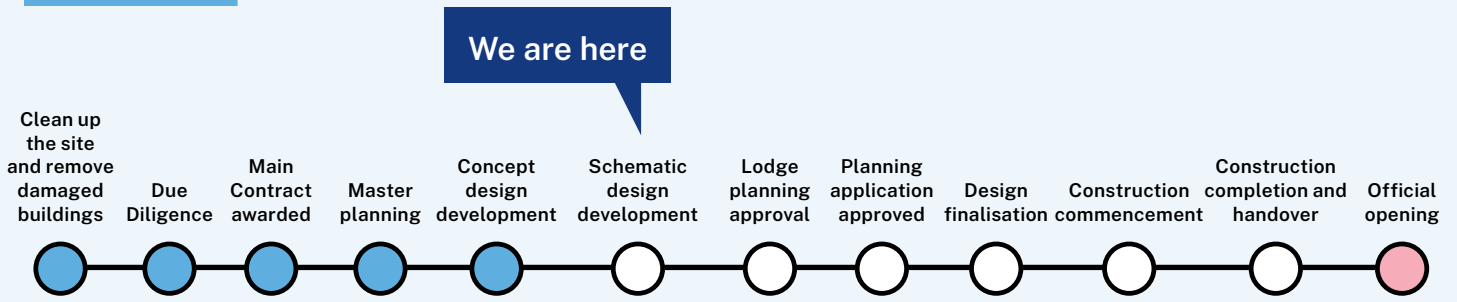


New canteen

Planning process

Blakebrook Public School is expected to be completed in 2024. Construction times will depend on weather, planning approval and access to trades and resources.

Timeline



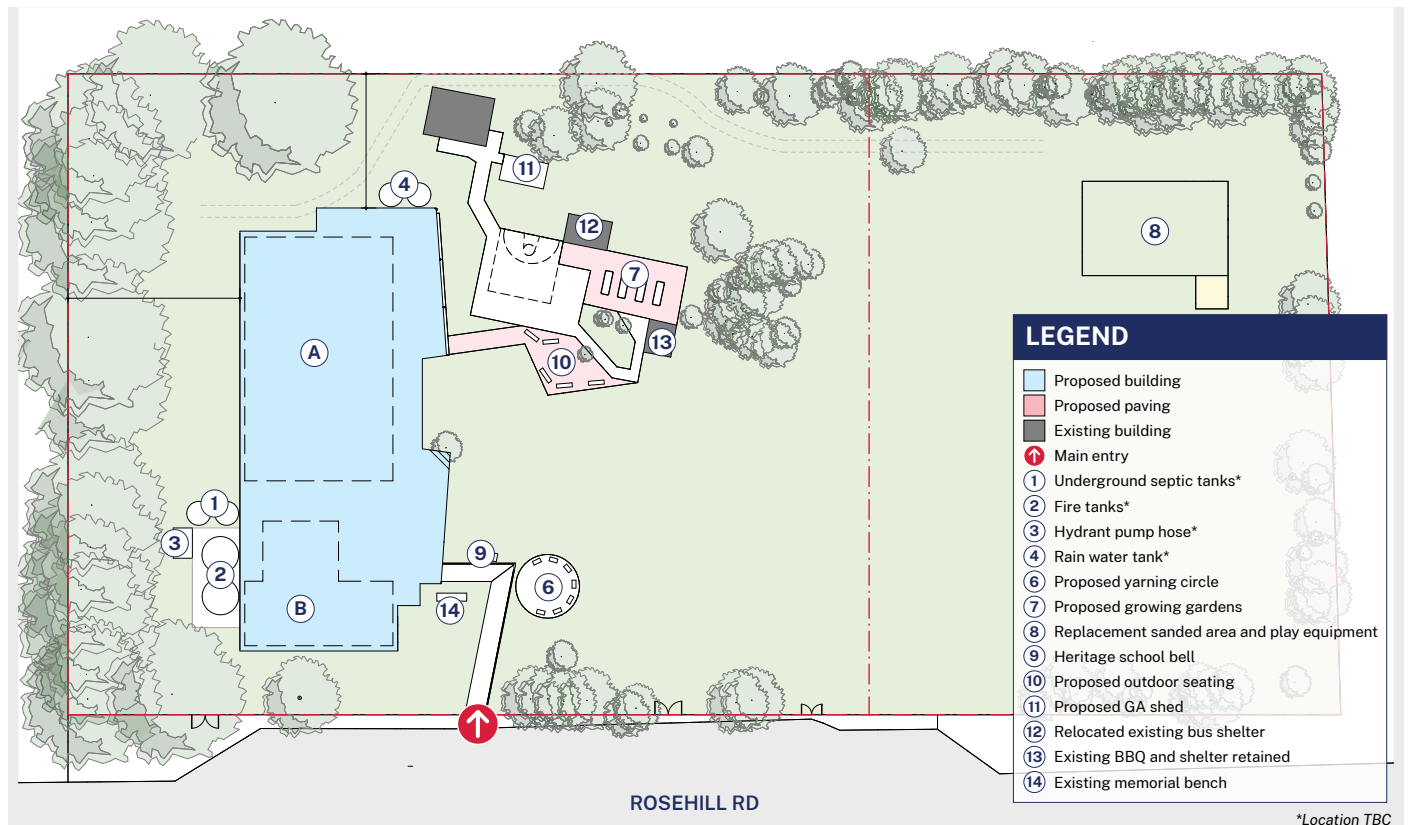
Masterplan update

A masterplan is the first stage of the design phases, followed by concept design, schematic design then final detailed design.

The proposed masterplan considers the current site conditions and potential future needs for the school. It is informed by the Department’s Educational Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG) and considers factors unique to Blakebrook Public School such as heritage, flood maps, location, and ecosystem.

This masterplan is subject to amendment during the next stages of design and statutory planning approvals.

Site plan



Student centred design

The upgrade for Blakebrook Public School will provide new and improved learning spaces and new facilities that can be shared with the broader community, while improving flood resilience.

The planning and delivery of all our new and upgraded schools are guided by the Education Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG). The aim of the EFSG is to provide students with the best possible facilities to support their learning and well-being. Learning spaces are designed with the entire student experience in mind and includes open active spaces, indoor and outdoor learning spaces, and core facilities such as a school library and canteen as well as administration areas.

Open play and active spaces are key factors as we determine classroom sizes, indoor and outdoor learning areas, landscaping and play equipment. Building heights will be determined in consultation with Council. These new facilities are being planned to provide the students at Blakebrook Public School with sufficient spaces to learn and play for years to come.

Undercroft and level one plans

EAST ELEVATION



WEST ELEVATION



Artist impression of the undercroft (subject to change)



Raised level floor plan (subject to change)



Aerial artist's impression of the new Blakebrook Public School on site

Development Applications

A planning application will be lodged with Lismore City Council.

Progress summary and next steps




The concept, schematic plans, and colour schemes will be finalised in October 2023.


The building contractor will work with School Infrastructure NSW to determine a timeline for the demolition, building and any staging requirements.

We will keep the community updated on the progress of the planning applications as they are lodged. The community will be able to provide further feedback as the building process continues.

Stay informed

We look forward to sharing more information with you as the project progresses. You can stay informed by regularly visiting the project web page and you can contact us via email or phone if you have any questions or feedback about the Blakebrook Public School Flood Recovery Project.

	Website Stay up to date by visiting the School Infrastructure NSW website schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au
	Email Contact the Community Engagement team by emailing schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au
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