



Manly Vale Public School

Project update

August 2019

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over the next four years to deliver 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Manly Vale Public School upgrade

The upgrade for Manly Vale Public School is well underway to deliver new facilities and learning spaces to provide for projected growth in student enrolments in the area.

Progress summary

The majority of the upgrade works to Manly Vale Public School have been completed, including:

- 40 new classrooms
- the library
- the canteen
- the hall and adjacent seating area
- refurbished school offices
- the OOSH room
- covered outdoor learning areas (COLA)
- repainted basketball court

Next steps

The next phase of works is progressing throughout 2019, with the following areas anticipated to be completed:

- landscaping and planting in the north-west corner of the site – early August
- the oval – mid August
- grass area to the south and west of the school buildings - end August
- play equipment next to the basketball court – end August
- area adjacent to the Gibbs Street carpark – end August
- area in front of the school office – end September

For the safety of students, parents and staff, hoarding and security fencing will remain in place during these works.

The focus will then shift to traffic infrastructure, including the wombat crossing, pending Council planning approval.

Frequently asked questions

Is there an impact to current school operations?

No. School operations will continue as usual. We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

How will construction traffic be managed?

Construction vehicle movements and deliveries will be scheduled outside of peak school pick-up and drop off times where possible.

Traffic management will be in place where required to manage vehicles entering and exiting the site.

How will traffic around the school be managed as the school grows?

In the Development Application, there is a Traffic Control Plan. No changes to traffic management are required for current enrolments. Once enrolments reach 550, a 'wombat crossing' will be installed, the bus zones will be extended to accommodate three buses and five-minute parking zones will be extended.

Once student numbers head towards 1,000, other traffic measures will be put in place including converting council spaces to two minutes, installation of flashing lights for school zones, installation of a gravel surface car park and staggering school start and finish times.

Is the project being delivered in an environmentally-responsible way?

The Department is aware of local residents' concerns about stormwater run-off from the site. Stormwater and sedimentation management plans (included in the approved DA), have been in place since the commencement of the project. The Department has directed the contractor to make further improvements to the sediment controls.

The upgrade has seen the installation of a high security fence. Why is this fencing necessary?

The safety of students at Manly Vale Public School is paramount. The fencing installed around the school site is a secured fence line as per Department security requirements. The security fence is an essential feature of the upgrade and it brings the school into line with best practice for safe schooling.

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