

Artist impression of the Alexandria Park Community School upgrade

Alexandria Park Community School

Project update

September 2020

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 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.

The NSW Department of Education is committed to delivering new and upgraded schools for communities across NSW. The delivery of these important projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students and supports growth in the local economy.

Alexandria Park Community School project

We are redeveloping Alexandria Park Community School so students from Kindergarten to Year 12 can learn in innovative learning environments.

Progress summary

The project is on schedule and progressing well. The buildings are nearing completion with the internal fit out and furniture now in place. The main entry structure continues to go up and transform the new school entrance.

The rooftop playground is nearing completion and ground level landscaping works are underway.

The Phase 1 buildings will be ready for all students from Kindergarten to Year 12 at the beginning of Term 4 2020.

Phase 2 site establishment

Phase 2 works are scheduled to start at the beginning of Term 4 2020. Site establishment works will start in early October 2020. This includes installing hoarding around the Phase 2 construction site (refer to site map at the end of this update). See the Frequently Asked Questions for more information on what will be delivered in Phase 2.

Keeping you updated

We are temporarily changing some of the ways that we keep you informed to account for social distancing measures as a result of COVID-19.

Instead of community information sessions, we invite you to view more information about this project at schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/a/alexandria-park-community-school from Wednesday 16 September 2020.

For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW
Email: schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au
Phone: 1300 482 651
www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au

School Infrastructure NSW pays respect to and acknowledges the traditional custodians of the Cadigal land on which Alexandria Park Community School is located, and also pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

Frequently asked questions

What is being delivered as part of the Alexandria Park Community School redevelopment?

We are redeveloping Alexandria Park Community School so students from Kindergarten to Year 12 can learn in innovative learning environments.

Phase 1:

- 67 permanent learning spaces
- 6 special education learning spaces
- a special program classroom
- 9 workshop spaces
- a library
- a new administration area
- outdoor play space.

Phase 2:

- 17 high school permanent learning spaces
- 3 workshop spaces
- a multipurpose hall
- a gymnasium
- multiple sports courts
- outdoor play spaces.

When will Phase 1 construction be finished and classes relocated to the new buildings?

Phase 1 construction works will be finished and handed over to the school in September 2020. Students and staff will start attending classes in the new buildings from the start of Term 4 2020.

Day 1 Term 4 2020, Monday 12 October 2020: staff start in the new buildings, **staff development / pupil free day**.

Day 2 Term 4 2020, Tuesday 13 October 2020: students start in the new buildings.

The relocation of the school's furniture and equipment will take place over the spring school holidays.

When will student tours of the new school buildings take place?

The new buildings will be handed over to the school on Friday, 18 September 2020. Student and staff tours will take place in the last week of Term 3 2020. More information on the tours will be provided by the school.

When will Phase 2 works commence?

Hoarding will be installed in early October 2020 and construction activities will start in Term 4 2020.

When is Phase 2 work expected to be finished?

Early 2022.

Will Camp Australia vacation care be running over the spring school holidays (25 September – 12 October 2020)?

Due to the school relocation activities, Camp Australia will not operate at APCS over spring holidays. Camp Australia will provide further information on alternate locations.

Will there be any changes to the kiss and drop zone?

The Park Road kiss and drop zone will remain open and operational during Phase 2 construction.

Where will year 12 HSC exams take place and which entrance will be open?

HSC exams will take place in the current pop-up school buildings to reduce disruption to students.

HSC students are to use the current Buckland Street High School entrance during their exam period. This entrance will be open to HSC students and supervising staff only.

Will there be any change to the school entrances during Phase 2 construction?

From Term 4 2020 the school entrance will be on Park Road in front of the covered main entry. Parents and carers will receive information on how the entrance will be managed to allow for social distancing from the school.

How will the operational area of the school be safely separated from the construction site?

The construction site will continue to be separated with hoarding. The barrier that is currently being used to separate the operational school and the construction site will be moved and extended across Park Road to establish the Phase 2 construction site.

Will the designated play area on Park Road be open during Phase 2 construction?

No. Phase 2 construction includes a new sports field that will be located where the Park Road play area is currently. This sports field is being built in partnership with the City of Sydney.

How will traffic be managed?

To ensure the safety of students, staff, the local community and our site workers, traffic management will be implemented as required. This includes the use of on-site traffic control personnel to manage entry and exit of construction vehicles. Site vehicles must give way to pedestrians at all times. Wherever possible, construction deliveries to site are being scheduled outside of school drop off/pick up times.

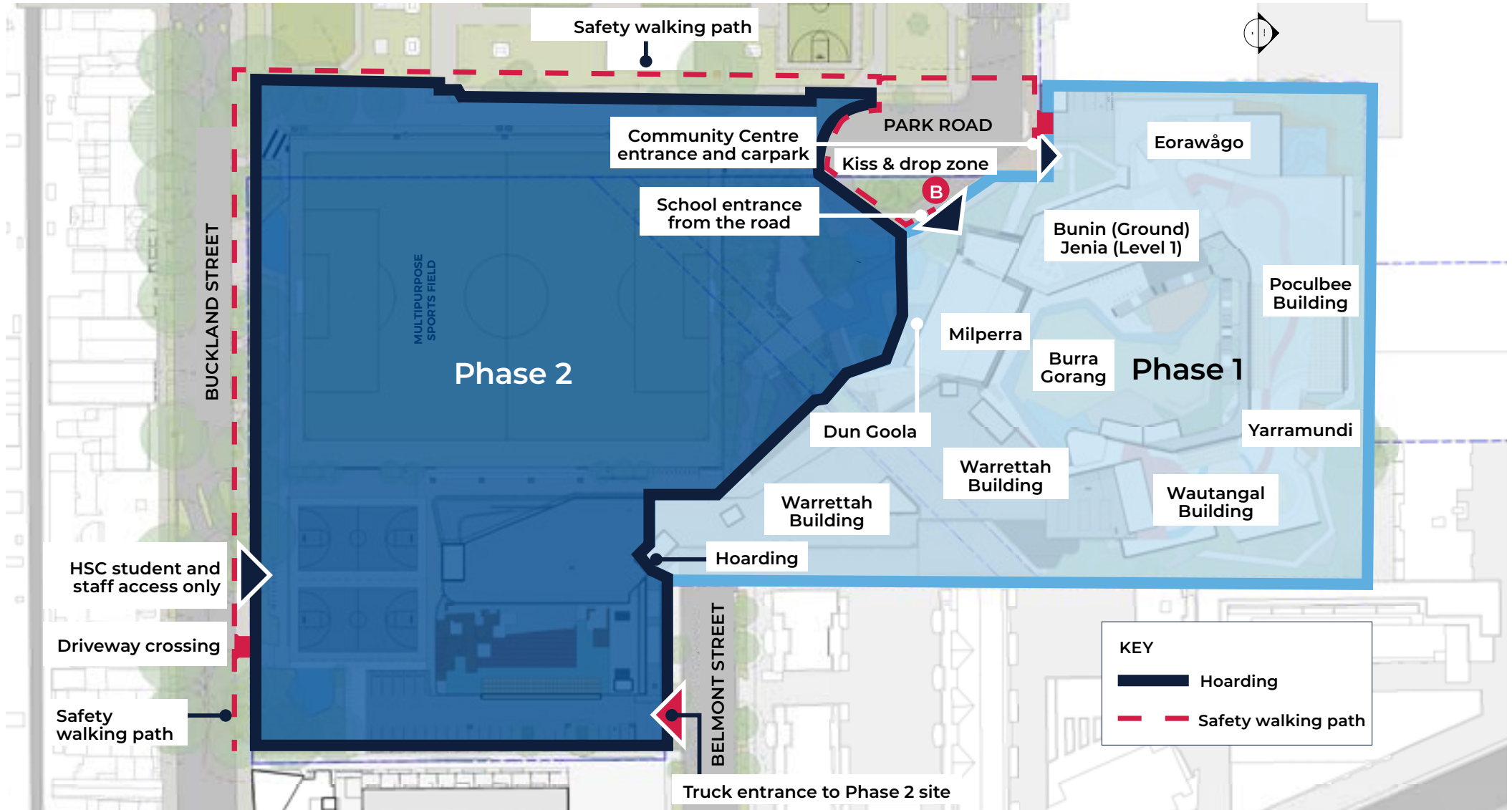
Where will the construction vehicle access point for Phase 2 works be located?

Access to the construction site for the Phase 2 works will be via Power Ave and Park Road, Belmont Street and Buckland Street. These access points will be utilised throughout the construction to support the changing construction environment and on site activities.

How will trees along Park Road and Buckland Street be protected during Phase 2 works?

A number of trees along Park Road will be removed and replaced. Retained trees will be protected in accordance with the Construction Management Plan.

Map of Alexandria Park Community School redevelopment



Important School Locations – Alexandria Park Community School

Alexandria Park Community School has worked closely with the Metropolitan Lands Council, the Aboriginal Educational Consultative Group, Uncle Terry Denzil and local Aboriginal Elders and people in the community to name important areas in the new school in the Gomberee language.

Gomberee Language Name	Concept	Location	Gomberee Language Name	Concept	Location
Bunin	Welcome	School Offices – ground floor	Oraywa	In the clouds	Poculbee building – rooftop play area
Burra Gorang	Firm ground	Central courtyard play area	Yakka Taka	Learning / working together	Warrettah building – Levels 1 & 2
Crua	To be cooking	Warrettah Building ground floor	Yarramundi	Story teller	Courtyard amphitheatre between Wautangal and Poculbee buildings
Dun Goola	Rain garden	Adjacent to Milperra	Warrettah	Waratah	High School learning spaces
Eorawago	For the people	Community Centre	Poculbee	Purple Iris	Primary School learning spaces
Jenla	Let us help	School office building Level 1 staff hubs	Wautangal	Banksia	Primary and secondary learning spaces
Maani	Hunting/ gathering	School office building rooftop	Mujmoonah	Forest Gum	High School learning spaces – Stage 2 2021
Milperra	Meeting place	Main school entrance – Park Road			