



THE POINT

Your Community School Promoting Excellence

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Term 4 - Weeks 3 & 4 Picnic Point High School Update

ICAS we have some excellence on our hands!

Congratulations to our Picnic Point High School English students for receiving their ICAS English awards

Our students participated in August this year and were recognised in November with a certificate signifying their high-order skills and ability. ICAS Assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence. Students are assessed on their ability to apply classroom learning to new contexts using higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills.



Featured: Talia Kumar, India Maxwell, Matilda White-Phillips (Year 7) and Charlie Bayley, Bill Houllis, Nick Houllis, Vincent Nguyen and Sebastian Crowther (Year 8) proudly celebrate their achievement.

Ms Poulos
English Faculty

Coming up @ PPHS

Social Media

Website:

www.picnicpt-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

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Picnic Point High School Official

Twitter:

@picnicpoinths

WEEK 5		WEEK 6	
Monday 9.11	HSC Day 15	Monday 16.11	P & C Meeting Year 10 Clearance Week Wellbeing Week
Tuesday 10.11	HSC Day 16 Year 7-10 Leadership Workshop	Tuesday 17.11	Year 10 Clearance Week Wellbeing Week
Wednesday 11.11	HSC Day 17	Wednesday 18.11	Year 10 Clearance Week Wellbeing Week
Thursday 12.11	Year 12 Sign Out Day	Thursday 19.11	Year 7 Immunisation Year 10 Clearance Week Wellbeing Week
Friday 13.11	Year 12 2021 HSC Information Meeting	Friday 20.11	Year 10 Clearance Week Wellbeing Week

Year 11 Mindfulness Sessions

Year 11 have been given the opportunity to participate in Mindfulness sessions which occur every Wednesday at Lunchtime. Having Year 11 students practice Mindfulness helps in the following ways:

Improved Attention

Numerous studies show improved attention, including better performance on objective tasks that require an extensive concentration span.

Emotional Regulation

Mindfulness creates changes in the brain that correspond to less reactivity and better ability to engage in tasks even when emotions are activated.

Greater Compassion

People randomly assigned to Mindfulness training are more likely to help someone in need and have greater self-compassion.

Ms Menezes

Numeracy Facilitator/CAPA



Book Week 2020

Book Week was celebrated with the theme of *Curious Creatures-Wild Minds*. We raised \$728 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.



Ms Smith - HT Mentor - Teacher Librarian

See attached information from NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure, regarding Picnic Point High School Project update.





This is an example of the facilities we are building for students across NSW

Picnic Point High School

Project update

November 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. 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.

Picnic Point High School

The upgrade of Picnic Point High School is being fast-tracked as part of the NSW Government's \$3billion Jobs and Infrastructure Acceleration fund. This project will include upgrades at the school to allow for greater access to secondary school co-educational facilities in the area.

Progress summary

We are currently undertaking planning for the Picnic Point High School project. Planning for the upgrade considers a number of factors including demographic trends, educational requirements, catchment boundaries, site sizes, due diligence studies, transport links, and partnership opportunities.

How can I get involved?

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students.

Your feedback on this project is important to us.

For more information, questions or to make a comment please email us at schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au.

Keeping you informed

We will continue to share updates and information as the project progresses. You can stay updated on the project through our website or using the contact details provided below.

For more information contact:

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

Picnic Point High School upgrade

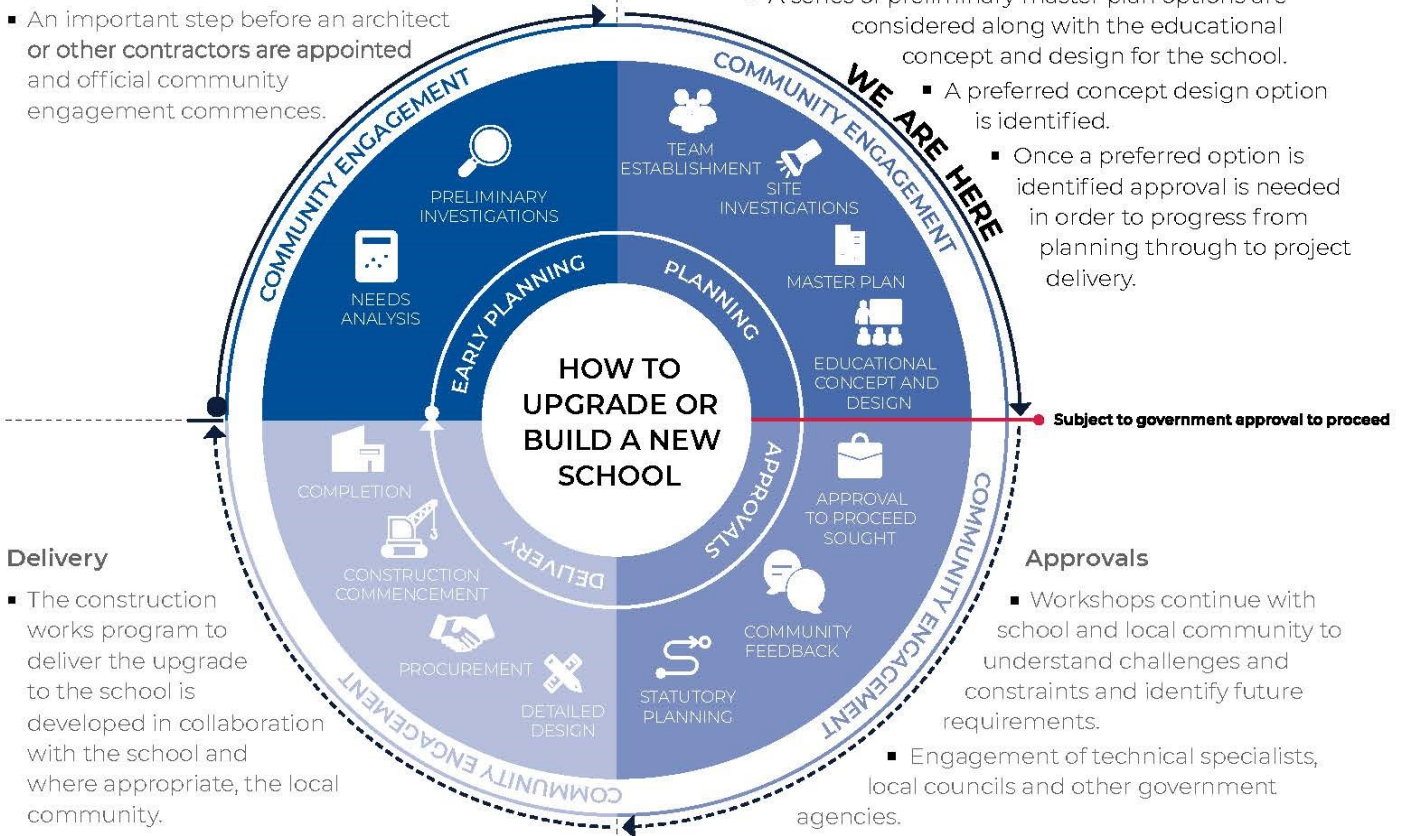
The information below takes you through the journey of how to upgrade, or build a new school.

Early planning

- Consideration and studies of demographic trends, education requirements, the condition of the existing school buildings, catchment boundaries, heritage requirements, transport links and partnership opportunities.
- Doing so means that we:
 - consider the needs of the local area now and into the future.
 - ensure the right school is designed for **the community**.
- An important step before an architect or other contractors are appointed and official community engagement commences.

Planning

- Consultants such as architects and project managers are appointed.
- Investigation and review of site and development of master plan options.
- Master planning considers options for the general size, shape and form of buildings for a specific school site.
- A Project Reference Group (PRG) is established.
- Operational, educational and service delivery factors are understood and considered by the PRG.
 - A series of preliminary master plan options are considered along with the educational concept and design for the school.



Delivery

- The construction works program to deliver the upgrade to the school is developed in collaboration with the school and where appropriate, the local community.
- Ongoing consultation with Principal, staff and other school users.
- Throughout detailed design and construction updates are provided to the local community.

Approvals

- Workshops continue with school and local community to understand challenges and constraints and identify future requirements.
 - Engagement of technical specialists, local councils and other government agencies.
- Statutory planning approval process.
- Opportunity for local community to view and provide feedback upon submission of the Development Application.
- Scope of work and concept design is further defined.