



Robyn Preston MP

Member for Hawkesbury

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\$1.13M FUNDING FOR HAWKESBURY SCHOOLS

Schools in the Hawkesbury region are one step closer to new and improved facilities, with \$1.13 million worth of projects announced as part of the NSW Government's \$120 million Metro Renewal Program.

Since the announcement of the Metro Renewal Program in November last year, schools have been invited to apply for renewal projects to improve their school facilities.

The Hawkesbury schools benefitting from this program include:

- Bligh Park Public School – Toilet Upgrade
- Brewongle Environmental Education Centre – Canteen Upgrade
- Freemans Reach Public School – Canteen Upgrade
- Glenorie Public School – Toilet Upgrade
- Glossodia Public School – Canteen Upgrade
- Hobartville Public School – Admin and Staff Upgrade
- Kurrajong East Public School – Playground Upgrade
- Oakville Public School – Learning Unit Upgrade
- Windsor Public School – Sporting Facilities

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP welcomed the news that so many projects at Hawkesbury schools have been funded.

"I'm delighted that so many schools in Hawkesbury have benefitted from this program. The selected schools have been funded \$1.13M worth of projects thanks to the Metro Renewal Program

"This investment by the Liberal and Nationals Government is essential for our students, so that they can thrive in a great learning environment, no matter where they live or what their circumstances may be.

"Delivery of these projects will be undertaken in the next 18 months as part of the NSW Government's economic stimulus package for NSW schools," Ms Preston said.

The Metro Renewal Program will provide a government co-contribution of between 50 to 80 per cent for school infrastructure improvements to high priority schools in metropolitan areas. Projects may include new and upgraded covered outdoor learning areas, science facilities, toilet blocks, administration buildings and canteens.

Minister for Education Sarah Mitchell said the school projects in the Hawkesbury region were part of the NSW Government's stimulus program and the State's COVID-19 Recovery Plan.

"I'm pleased that we are continuing our record investment in school infrastructure, including the projects in the Hawkesbury region. The funding will directly benefit local communities and support hundreds of jobs in metro NSW," Ms Mitchell said.

"This program is part of the NSW Government's economic stimulus response to the pandemic and will deliver educational benefits, community benefits and economic benefits as communities continue to recover."

The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

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