

Mullumbimby High School

Flood Recovery Update

29 March 2022

Supporting flood impacted schools

The NSW Department of Education is coordinating an emergency response effort that is unprecedented in terms of scale and impact. A large number of schools in the Northern Rivers region have damage to either the entire site or some buildings and facilities.

What is happening at Mullumbimby High School

Several areas of Mullumbimby High School were damaged by flood waters, including:

- the hall
- the library
- staff spaces
- playground areas.

These areas have been stripped and cleaned and are out of bounds at this time.

Current status

- Students have been able to return to learning at the school in unaffected areas.
- Work has started to repair flood damaged spaces and facilities.
- Six temporary buildings have been delivered to provide the additional spaces the school needs.
- The buildings are being prepared for use and are expected to be available for the school early in Term 2.

Next steps

- Our current priority is to make sure all students and teachers in the region that have been displaced by flooding have suitable temporary accommodation, which are buildings used as teaching and learning spaces as well as other core facilities.
- Teams are working as quickly as possible, while prioritising the safety of our students, staff and contractors.

We thank you for your patience as we work through this huge program of work. We will continue to share information with you as work progresses.

What else is happening in the region

The School Infrastructure regional office has inspected all schools in flood impacted areas. We continue to work with emergency response organisations to remove rubbish, clean and secure affected sites.

Many school sites have been able to resume operating, while some students have been relocated to alternative sites so that their learning can continue. Our current priority is to source, deliver, install and handover temporary buildings to accommodate displaced students. The timing of all work and handover of temporary spaces is subject to local weather conditions.

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