Introduction

We are excited to be starting this series of updates describing progress of construction of the new building at Bourke Street Public School. The new building is a two storey building with accommodation for a new library, a hall, canteen and toilet facilities on the ground floor. The upper floor will provide accommodation for new class rooms. The building will be serviced by a lift and connected to the existing school via a series of covered walkways. In addition to the new building, part of the ground floor in the existing block A and block B building shall be refurbished as part of the project.

Summary of Progress

The building contractor installed fencing with shade cloth and established site on 16 January 2016. Demolition and preparatory work commenced on 20 January 2016, with the COLA the first item to be demolished. Scaffolding shall be erected on 1 February 2016 to allow demolition of block E (The 2 storey building with the OLD staffroom). It is anticipated that Block E shall be demolish between 3 February and 13 February 2016, subject to document approvals and weather.

Key tasks recently completed

- Completion of site establishment
- Disconnection of all services to buildings to be demolished
- Site clearance progressing
- Demolition of the COLA

Key tasks to be undertaken in coming weeks

- Demolition of Blocks D (OLD Music Room) & F (Old Sports Store Room)
- Erection of hoarding for Block E demolition
- Demolition of Block E (The 2 storey building with the OLD staffroom)
- Removal of play equipment and nominated trees