

MOUNT OMMANEY SPECIAL SCHOOL

BUILDING UPDATE

BULLETIN



Weekly Construction Progress –August 2026



J Block Covered Play Area & Endeavour Street Carpark

There has been plenty happening behind the fences, with the new covered play area really starting to take shape. Structural steel is now installed, while work has continued on stormwater drainage and the construction and waterproofing of the new retaining walls.

Next week will see further stormwater works and preparation for the covered play area slab. A temporary fence will also be installed around J Block this weekend to allow additional civil and stormwater works. This will change access around parts of the J Block undercroft area.

A heads-up for next 2 weeks: roof installation to the covered play area is due to commence, which will involve some noisy construction work. We are continuing to work with the builders to minimise the impact on the school wherever possible.

New Classrooms & Hall

There has also been significant progress on the site of our new GLA and Hall, with civil earthworks continuing throughout the week. Next week, earthworks will continue and the team will begin installing the stormwater infrastructure.

It may still look like a very large patch of dirt at the moment, but a huge amount of groundwork is happening in preparation for the buildings to come!

Project Progress

Importantly, there are currently no critical works reported as behind schedule, which is great news as the project continues to move forward.

Throughout the construction project, we continue to respond quickly to safety issues, concerns and queries as they are identified by staff, families and the project team. A number of improvements have already been completed, including enhanced fencing and gate security, additional barriers, improved pedestrian and bus access, upgraded entry security and changes to parking arrangements.

Further improvements are currently underway or planned, including additional fencing and gates around student areas, safer pedestrian pathways, accessible parking upgrades and additional protective barriers. The table highlights the ongoing work being undertaken to ensure concerns are heard, assessed and addressed wherever possible. As construction progresses and the school environment changes, we will continue to monitor the site closely and respond to emerging safety and access needs.

Safety & Access Improvements

Improvement	Update	Status
Front boundary fencing	Additional horizontal barrier installed to prevent students accessing gaps in the fence.	✓ Complete
Admin entry security	Additional access buzzer and camera installed at the bottom gate.	✓ Complete
Gate safety	Gate latches, handles and configuration adjusted to improve security and safe access.	✓ Complete
Temporary staff parking	Tree removed to improve parking access and safety.	✓ Complete
Accessible parking	Line marking and parking arrangements to be improved following the tree removal.	🔄 In progress
Bus lane safety	New chevron line marking and Give Way signage installed.	✓ Complete
Pedestrian access	Improvements to pedestrian pathways around Capitol Drive are being progressed.	🔄 In progress
Admin walkway	Gap at the top of the walkway closed to improve student safety.	✓ Complete
Front kerb area	Additional barriers installed to prevent access through the open kerb area.	✓ Complete
Cul-de-sac / basin area	Additional barriers planned to improve separation and safety.	🔄 Planned
ECDP entry	Mesh installed along the entry gate and fence to prevent access through gaps.	✓ Complete
J Block retaining basin	Higher fencing planned around the retaining basin.	🔄 Planned
A3 outdoor area	Small fence and gate to be installed to create a secure outdoor space.	🔄 Planned
Library & MP areas	Temporary fencing and gates planned to create safe, defined student spaces during the J Block relocation.	🔄 Planned
ECDP access	Temporary gate and walkway matting being installed to support safe access during construction.	🔄 In progress
Accessible carparks	Bays to be reviewed, widened and remarked during the next school holidays.	🔄 Planned
Capitol Drive parking	Bollards installed to clearly define staff parking spaces adjacent to the driveway.	✓ Complete
Water-filled barriers	Barrier specifications being reviewed to ensure appropriate impact protection.	🔄 Under review

.PROJECT TIMELINE – CURRENT AS OF 31/07/2026

(This timeline is reviewed weekly and may change as projects progress. If timelines change, updates will be reflected in the next bulletin.)

Project / Milestone	Target Date	Status	Notes
J Block Covered Play Area Handover	16 Sep 2026	☒ Upcoming ☒ Current ☐ Complete	
Endeavour Road Carpark Site Establishment	30 Nov 2026	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
Vehicle Drop-off & Playground Site Establishment	14 Dec 2026	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
J Block Handover	15 Mar 2027	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
Drop-off, Roadworks & Carpark Site Establishment	28 Apr 2027	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
Endeavour St Carpark Handover	17 May 2027	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
Drop-off, Roadworks & Carpark Handover	28 Jul 2027	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
New Classroom Block and Hall Handover	18 Aug 2027	☒ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	
Vehicle Drop-off & Playground Handover	21 Sep 2027	☐ Upcoming ☐ Current ☐ Complete	

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

Please contact the school if you have questions, concerns or require clarification about school access, safety, communication, parking or transition arrangements.

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If your question relates specifically to the building or construction works themselves, rather than school preparation or site operations, please contact the Wiley Constructions Project Manager directly:

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