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BRYSON BUILDING UPDATE

David Jennings – Acting Business Manager

The last update we provided our community regarding the Bryson Building project was in April 2025. Much progress has been made since that time.

Works Completed

We are now at the stage where the structure is in place from Level 1 (ground) to Level 4. Although the scaffolding necessarily remains, the scale and size of the building are now clearly visible.

Each floor required three separate concrete pours – twelve in total. This is in addition to the vertical pours for foundations, columns, lift wells and other concrete areas.

Since reaching 'out of the ground' status, and despite numerous interruptions due to wet weather, these structural elements have marked a significant phase of the project.

Our builders, Rohrig Constructions, continue to construct this building to a high standard. Recently, some members of our College Council and Executive staff were able to inspect the site, and witness the progress and quality firsthand. Our Head of College, Mr Alex Koch, also issued an end-of-term update to our community, which included information about the Bryson Building project and a time-lapse video showing progress up to the end of June.

Click here to view a time lapse of progress on the Bryson Building

Work in Progress

Construction Certificate Number 3 was recently issued by the Certifier, allowing the builder to proceed with the installation of building services, internal fit-outs and the building façade. This work is now underway. It will also result in a significant increase in the number of sub-contractors on site completing these stages.

From July through to December we will see the:

- installation of fire services
- installation of mechanical services
- installation of hydraulic services
- installation of electrical and communications services
- commencement of structural steel installation for Level 4
- commencement of roof scaffolding
- commencement of external waterproofing.

We have also been busy attending three sample workshops with the builder, where we reviewed over 100 samples of products to be used for structural elements, floor finishes, wall finishes, lighting and many other aspects of the building. This is in addition to numerous requests for information from the builder, which require ongoing input and responses from our Property Manager, Mark Alexander, and Business Manager.

In all these matters, we have been well supported by our Project Management team at MostynCopper and by our ongoing, positive relationship with the team from Rohrig Constructions.

Additional Works in Term 3

Other work that will be progressed by William Clarke College staff during Term 3 includes:

- finalising furniture schedules for Primary, Secondary and Library spaces
- preparing Information Technology and Audio-Visual equipment lists
- · sourcing furniture and fittings for the canteen and café
- sourcing furniture and fittings for staff areas.

The College continues to manage this project authentically and relationally in order to achieve a transformative space for students to continue their extraordinary learning journey and for staff to support them. The spaces within and around the Bryson Building will help us continue to live out our Purpose Statement.

Other Associated Works

The College held a fundraising Trivia Night in June, raising approximately \$6000 for other works in the Amphitheatre. These funds have been allocated to improving the eastern (upper) section of the Amphitheatre. This area will be improved with sandstone block walls and garden bark mulch to improve the aesthetic of the area and the use for students, with naturally shaded seating available under the tree canopy.

Thank you to all those who organised and supported the Trivia Night in raising funds for this project. This section of work is expected to be completed and ready for use early in Term 3.

This project will eventually link in with the remainder of the Amphitheatre area. Once the Bryson Building is complete, the builder's works will include a full refurbishment of the western (lower) section of the Amphitheatre paved areas, connecting it to the Bryson Building COLA area.

