



BURWOOD EAST

SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL

26/02/2024

Traffic and Parking Management Plan for Families during Onsite Construction Work at Burwood East SDS (13 March 2024 – End of November 2025)

The onsite construction work for BESDS' new learning centre building project starts on Wednesday, 13th March 2024. During the construction period, the western end of the school carpark will be used by the builders and will not be available to the school community. The changes to the traffic and parking management on the school grounds needed to support this important project are explained below.

The Traffic and Parking Management plan will come into effect on Wednesday, 6th March 2024, to allow a 1-week trial period to test and review the management strategies. There will be a BESDS staff member (with a Hi-Vis and traffic control sign) supervising the traffic and parking during the drop-off (8.50 – 9.30 am) and pick-up (2.30 – 3.10 pm) periods. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and patience in advance.

There will be some teething issues and frustration as we work through this plan with all members of the school community as well as construction workers and neighbours. Please don't hesitate to contact the school for feedback or questions regarding the plan and building work.

PARKING

- Refer to the attached maps for different onsite parking areas. These areas will be marked once the fence is up for the building site facilities.
- A map of the surrounding area is also attached for your information. Most of the nearby streets in the neighbourhood, such as Benwerrin Drive, have no parking restrictions.
- If you feel safe to do so, we suggest you park on the nearby street (i.e. Benwerrin Drive) and walk a small distance to school with your child during the drop-off and pick-up periods. It would be an excellent opportunity to promote your child's independence by teaching them some road safety rules and support them to be healthy by adding physical movements to their day.
- Please avoid parking on Manooka Street as much as possible. It helps maintain a smooth traffic flow of school buses, parent and carer cars, construction and delivery vehicles as well as continuing positive relationships with the Manooka Street residents.
- The Parent drop-off & pick-up zone (highlighted in green on the map) is NOT for long-term parking. If you anticipate your school visit to be longer than 15 minutes (i.e. SSG meeting, appointments, school event participation), please park away from school/Manooka Street and walk to school.



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TRAFFIC

- PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY AND CAREFULLY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AT ALL TIMES TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE.
- There will be a number of BESDS staff at the front during the drop-off (8.50 – 9.30 am) and pick-up (2.30 – 3.10 pm) periods and support your child to and from your car to help traffic move quicker.
- Both the front entrance and bus bay door will be used for student transition during the drop-off (8.50 – 9.30 am) and pick-up (2.30 – 3.10 pm) periods. If you arrive with your child outside this time or visit school for other reasons, please come to the front office to sign in.
- NDIS transport service workers are still required to see one of the BESDS staff or visit the front office to fill in the sign-out form to pick up a student. Please pass this information to them.
- Even though there is a small vehicle turning circle (highlighted in red on the map), please use the parent drop-off & pick-up zone in front of the shed and the bus bay space (once the buses leave) to turn your car as much as possible instead of coming further down into the school ground.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

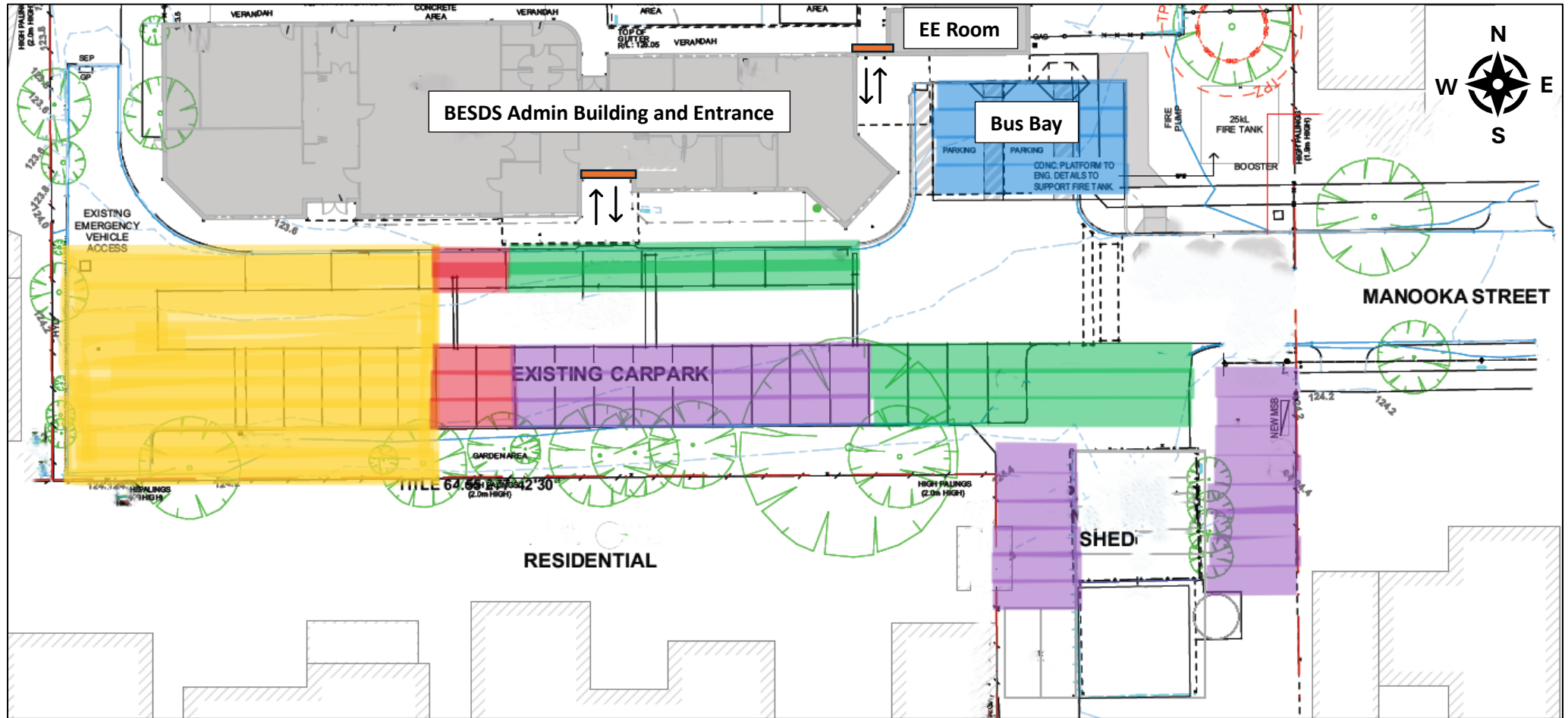
- Please share this information with other family members and relatives as well as NDIS transport service workers who regularly pick up and/or drop off your child.
- School events that we usually send invitations to families may be impacted depending on the building work progress and time of the day.
- If your child attends BESDS more than 3 days a week, you reside in the BESDS designated transport area (you can find the information here: <https://www.vic.gov.au/getting-to-from-school-students-disability>), and you would like your child start using the school bus, please let us know so we can enquire your request to Crown Coaches. This could help your child develop independent life skills and reduce the traffic at school during busy transition periods.
- Any updates and changes in the traffic and parking management plan will be shared with you promptly via usual communication channels.


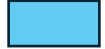




Again, thank you very much for supporting the BESDS community through this exciting time. We can't wait for the day we open the school to show off our new learning facilities!

Kind regards,

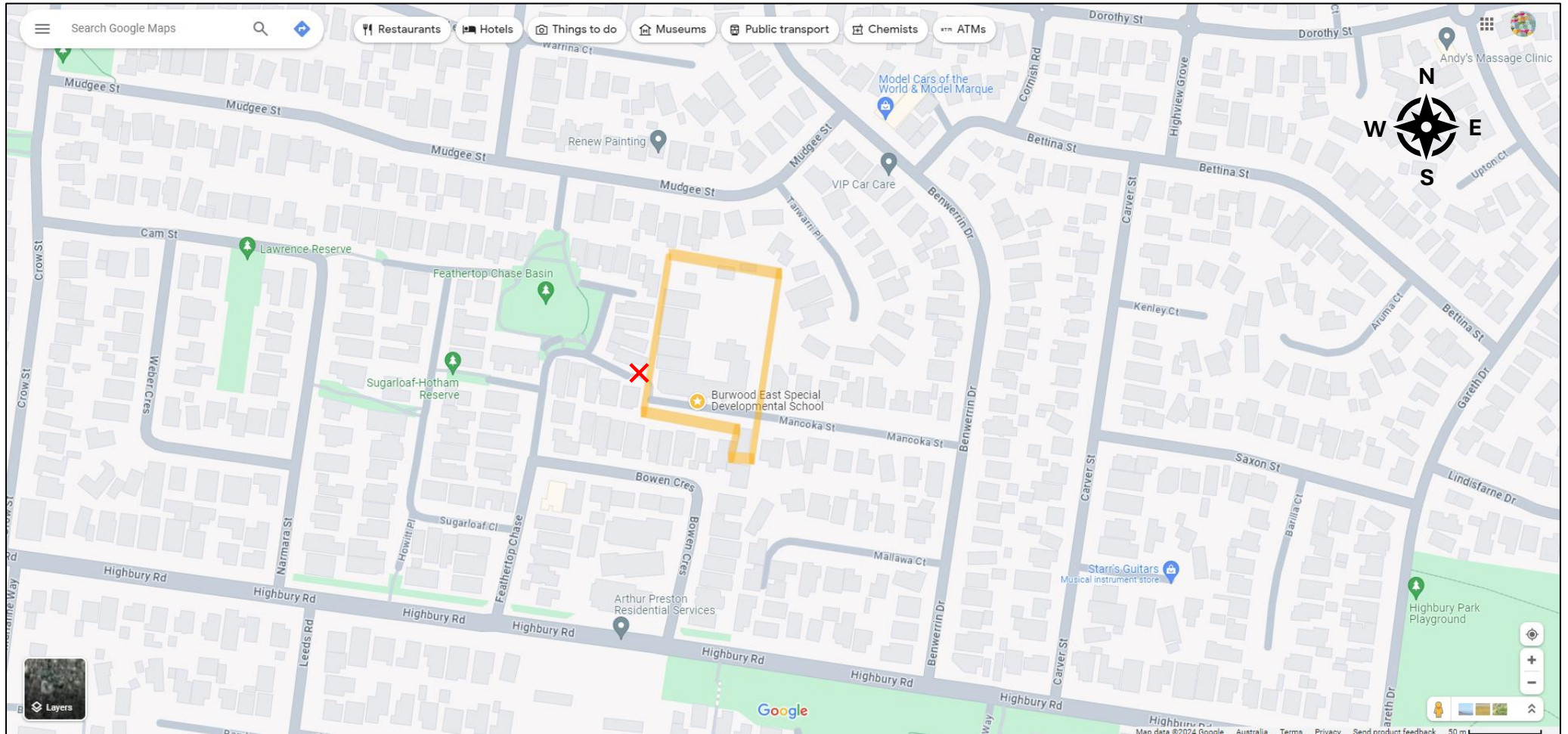
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Parking Areas at BESDS during the Onsite Construction Work (6 March 2024 – End of November 2025)



	<p>Supervised Entry to & Exit from School for Students during Drop-off (8.50 – 9.30 am) and Pick-up (2.30 – 3.10 pm): Please use the front foyer entrance outside of these hours.</p>		<p>School Bus Bay: It can be used for parent drop-off and pick-up once the buses leave.</p>
	<p>Secured (fenced) Area for Building Site Office, Resting and Storage Facility</p>		<p>Parent Drop-off and Pick-up Zone: Short-term (15 mins or less) parking only</p>
	<p>Small Vehicle Turning Circle: No parking at all times.</p>		<p>Staff and Visitor Parking</p>

Surrounding Areas of BESDS



- ❖ Please note that the laneway from Feathertop Chase Basin to the BESDS ground will be closed during the onsite construction work (highlighted with red X) as a safety measure.



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Access to Burwood East Special Developmental School (BESDS) Ground Closure Notification

Dear Families and Neighbours of BESDS

The new learning centre building project for BESDS will commence on Wednesday 13th March 2024. For the safety of pedestrians and local community members, access to the BESDS ground through this footpath will be closed for the duration of building project as it directly crosses the pathway of trucks and heavy vehicles to the work site.

You can find the information about the building project on the Victorian School Building Authority website (<https://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/burwood-east-special-developmental-school>) and our school website (<https://www.besds.vic.edu.au/>).

Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation.

Helen Smith (Principal)

Address of Works	18 Manooka Street, Burwood East VIC 3151	
How access changes	The footpath leading to BESDS ground from Strathbogie Walk will be closed for the duration of the building project. (highlighted with red X)	
Dates of Works	Wednesday 13th March 2024 to End of November 2025 (TBC)	
Times of Works	7 am to 6 pm on Weekdays, 9 am to 3 pm on Saturdays (as per the Whitehorse City Council Building and Works Code of Practice, June 2022)	
How our works may impact you	Pedestrian access Expected truck and heavy vehicle activity	Bicycle access