



# Sandringham College (Beaumaris campus)

## Sportsfield reconstruction - September 2009 project update

### What is involved?

Bayside City Council will commence the much-needed upgrade of the Sandringham College – Beaumaris Campus soccer pitch in Spring 2009. Funds were secured from state government to deliver this project

The improvement works will result in a more even surface with warm-season grass coverage making the sportsground safer for everyone to use and reduce wear and tear and the need for water.

### What is happening when?

Works will begin at the start of November 2009 and will take approximately 8 weeks. These works will include erecting a temporary fence to secure the sportsground, removing the existing grass, levelling the playing surface, installing a subsoil drainage system and installing a new irrigation system. Finally, a new warm-season grass surface will be planted to better cope with the current climatic conditions.

### How long will the ground be closed?

The ground will be closed for up to twelve months for sports club use, however this is dependent on weather, growing conditions and the availability of water under state government imposed water restrictions.

Once the grass grows and root system strengthens, the ground will be assessed with a view to reopen in Second Term 2010, for school use only.

### Who will be affected?

Beaumaris Campus is utilised by Beaumaris Soccer Club during the winter season. The winter tenants will be unaffected as these works are scheduled to occur at the completion of the winter season. Access to a nearby sportsground has been arranged to ensure the students of Sandringham College – Beaumaris Campus are able to continue to meet their sporting and physical activity requirements.

Council understands that the closure of the sportsground will temporarily inconvenience the school, sports club tenants, and nearby residents. However the refurbishment will result in a sustainable sportsground and long-term environmentally sound outcome for the school and wider Bayside community.



### Is Council permitted to water the sportsground?

Yes, Council has permission from South East Water to irrigate sportsgrounds under the approved Water Allocation Plan in accordance with State Government's stage 3A water restrictions. The plan requires Council to reduce potable water use on all sportsgrounds to one quarter of total use prior to the introduction of water restrictions.



### Where can I get more information?

Temporary signage will be located around the perimeter of the sportsground. For additional information please telephone Council's Landscape Design Officer on 9599 4444.

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