

FAQs on the Karnup Campus

When will we move into the Karnup Campus?

Given the unpredictability around the timing of financing and building, which relates to finance applications and building permits, RMS cannot commit to a specific timeline on the opening of the Karnup Campus. The strategic plan for the school involves the Karnup Campus being progressively built over a 10-year plan. This is a long-term goal to which the School remains committed.

Will the Rockingham Campus be closing down when the Karnup Campus Opens?

There are no plans to close the Rockingham Campus, which will remain open indefinitely. RMS can provide a more flexible and diverse education experience for our students by having both campuses for use. Many families value the location of the Rockingham Campus, and RMS will ensure that this Campus continues to build on the Montessori philosophies over the next 5 years.

Are my school fees increasing to fund the new campus?

Fee increases are in line with the education indexation. As a specific low interest government loan is being arranged to upgrade the new school site, school fees will not be funding the new campus and will be used as usual for educational purposes, such as the operation and future growth of the school.

What will be happening over the next five years with the current campus?

The Board and management will maintain its commitment to ensure that the Rockingham Campus continues to build on its Montessori philosophies. Some of the improvements to the Rockingham Campus over the next five years include:

- Introducing a second upper primary classroom;
- The addition of an outdoor exercise area;
- Provide ongoing maintenance and improvement of the facilities; and
- The adolescent program will be opening two new classrooms at the Murdoch Campus, which will give the students much more space and flexibility until the Karnup Campus can be opened.

What about the buses? Where will the students be catching the bus?

The School will be encouraging students from lower primary onwards to travel to school via its bus service. Which bus your child will be travelling on, the bus route; and designated bus stops will be determined at a later date and may vary slightly each year depending upon student numbers, where students reside, road modification and local council requirements. Families can be reassured that the School has all students' safety as a priority.

Who can I speak to if I have more questions on the Karnup Campus?

Please feel free to speak with our Principal on school operational matters.

Any questions that you have regarding the Karnup project, can be directed to the Building Subcommittee via email: building@rms.edu.wa.au.