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SDN secures funding for more early learning places for Bathurst families

SDN Children's Services has welcomed funding through the Australian Government's Building Early Education Fund (BEEF) to invest into its much-loved SDN Hamilton Street early education and care centre in Bathurst.

The $1.4 million project will expand the centre's capacity, helping meet growing demand for high-quality early childhood education and care in the region.

The announcement comes during a landmark year for SDN Hamilton Street, Bathurst, which is celebrating its 75th anniversary and has recently achieved an Exceeding rating under the National Quality Framework Assessment and Rating process.

SDN Children's Services CEO Kay Turner said the funding represented an important investment in the future of children and families in the region.

“This is great news for Bathurst and great news for SDN. This investment is a significant vote of confidence in the important role of not-for-profit early childhood education and care providers, such as SDN.

“We are proud to partner with the Australian Government to expand SDN Hamilton St and create more opportunities for children and families in Bathurst to access high-quality early learning. I am especially proud of the SDN Hamilton St team, whose daily dedication, commitment, and connection to the community has made the service such a valued part of local families’ lives.”

Centre Director Lindy Church said the funding would help ensure more local families could experience the supportive and community-focused environment for which the centre is known.

“Families choose SDN Hamilton Street, Bathurst because of our welcoming culture, high-quality learning, skilled staff and a beautiful natural environment. Honouring these qualities while creating opportunities for more children to learn, play and thrive is our top priority.”

SDN will work closely with families, staff, neighbours and government stakeholders throughout the planning process and keep the community informed.

Children's safety, wellbeing and learning experience will remain at the heart of every decision during the project.

The expansion is part of broader government investment aimed at increasing access to early childhood education and care in areas of growing need, including regional communities such as Bathurst.

About SDN Hamilton Street

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Established in 1951 as the Bathurst Nursery School, SDN Hamilton Street has been supporting children and families in the Bathurst community for 75 years. The centre has become a cherished local institution, with many former students returning as parents and grandparents. Today, SDN Hamilton Street provides high-quality, inclusive early learning and preschool programs in a natural environment. Known for its welcoming culture and commitment to children's learning and wellbeing, the centre continues to build on its proud legacy, most recently achieving an Exceeding rating under the National Quality Standard

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About SDN

SDN Children's Services (SDN) is a not-for-profit organisation that has been delivering quality services to children and their families since 1905. With more than 600 staff across 32 sites in Sydney, regional NSW and the ACT, we are one of Australia's most respected children's services organisations.

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