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Buninyong preschool announces closure at the end 2026

It is with a heavy heart that Dubbo and District Preschool Kindergarten Incorporated announces its Buninyong Preschool closure is set for 2026.

Dubbo & District Preschool Kindergarten Incorporated operates the Buninyong Preschool which will close its doors on December 11, 2026 due to the conclusion of the campus' lease.

Dubbo and District Preschool Kindergarten Incorporated Director, Jenny Colwell, said the preschool will remain committed to supporting its children, families and staff throughout the 18-month transition and beyond.

"We are incredibly proud of all we have accomplished as a preschool community," Jenny said.

"We have had the privilege of serving and working with many children and families in that time and the relationships and connection remain important to us.

"Though our lease is coming to an end, the impact of the preschool and the people who have supported it—will remain with us for years to come."

Jenny said the vision of Dubbo and District Preschool and Buninyong Preschool; "to build a stronger community through quality education" is evident in the lives of the children and the foundation laid at preschool continues to inspire them to achieve great things.

"Buninyong Preschool is indebted and wholeheartedly thanks the community and families who entrusted them with the care and education of their precious children," she said. "We will continue to celebrate the legacy of our preschool with the gratitude it deserves."

"Dubbo and District Preschool have increased the licenced capacity at our Hampden Street site in preparation to absorb the current Buninyong waitlist and enrolments, it will be business as usual at our Buninyong Preschool until we vacate the premises in December 2026".

Dubbo & District Preschool Kindergarten Incorporated President Rod Crowfoot reflected on the preschool's contribution to the community since its opening in 2010.

"Buninyong Preschool opened in 2010 and has proudly served as a safe, nurturing and inspiring space for young children to learn, grow and build lifelong foundations," Rod said.

"This environment has been made possible by the incredible support of dedicated staff, families and the wider community.

"While this news brings disappointment, we look back on the past 15 years and celebrate the many wonderful memories and milestones shared together."

Buninyong Preschool would like to extend its sincere gratitude to the Department of Education for their support over those years and would support and encourage the development of a future preschool on the site to meet the needs of local children and families.

The preschool will host a farewell celebration at a date and time to be confirmed via the official Facebook page to properly honour its journey and farewell what has grown to be a special community.

All families, staff and community members past and present are warmly invited to attend the event to be held at Buninyong Preschool.