

New South Wales Schools

Recommended Funding Pathway

ClubGRANTS NSW

Application information and guidelines:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/clubgrants>

ClubGRANTS NSW is a community funding program supported by registered clubs, providing funding to projects that improve community wellbeing, social inclusion, and participation.

Funding is typically available through annual funding rounds and may vary by region depending on participating clubs.

Project Positioning

For this funding pathway, the project should be positioned as:

- a community wellbeing initiative
- an inclusive space supporting students, families, and the broader community
- a project that delivers social and inclusion outcomes
- infrastructure that supports participation and engagement

Avoid positioning the project as:

- internal school equipment only
- a curriculum-based resource
- a project with limited community benefit

Project Title

Creation of an Inclusive Outdoor Sensory and Wellbeing Space for Students and Community

Organisation Overview

[Insert School Name] is a community-focused school supporting students and families within the local area.

The school contributes to community wellbeing through engagement with families, events, and shared activities that support participation and connection.

Applications for funding may be submitted by the school or an appropriate not-for-profit entity associated with the school, such as a parents' association, governing body, or community partner.

Project Description

This project involves the development of an inclusive outdoor sensory and wellbeing space within the school grounds, consisting of permanently installed, interactive elements designed to support engagement, participation, and connection.

The space will provide an accessible environment where students can engage in sensory-rich, non-verbal experiences that support emotional regulation, creativity, and social interaction.

The installation is designed to support multiple users simultaneously, encouraging shared experiences and strengthening connections between students, families, and the broader community.

The project will provide a long-term community asset that supports wellbeing, inclusion, and engagement.

Community Need

There is an increasing need within New South Wales communities for inclusive environments that support wellbeing, connection, and positive engagement for young people.

Many students benefit from opportunities for sensory engagement, non-verbal expression, and emotional regulation, particularly those with additional needs or who require alternative pathways to participation.

This project addresses this need by creating an inclusive space that reduces barriers to participation and supports meaningful engagement for a diverse range of users.

It also contributes to broader community wellbeing by providing a shared environment that supports families and strengthens social connection.

Community Benefit

This project will deliver long-term benefits to the local community by creating a shared space that supports inclusion, wellbeing, and connection.

The space will:

- support students with diverse developmental and sensory needs
- provide opportunities for families and community members to engage in shared experiences
- strengthen social connection within the local community
- contribute to a more inclusive and supportive community environment

Where appropriate, the space may also be utilised during school events and community activities, further strengthening local engagement.

Outcomes

The project is expected to deliver the following outcomes:

- improved wellbeing and engagement for students
- increased inclusion and accessibility
- strengthened connections between students, families, and community
- increased participation in shared outdoor experiences
- a more inclusive and supportive local environment

Project Delivery

The project will involve:

- procurement of outdoor sensory infrastructure
- delivery and installation within the school grounds
- integration into daily use and community engagement

Installation will be carried out by a qualified contractor in accordance with site requirements.

Budget

Total Project Cost: \$15,030

Funding Requested: \$10,000

School Contribution: \$5,030

All costs are GST exclusive

Budget Breakdown

Item	Quantity	Total
Explorer Outdoor Musical Instrument	2	\$7,900
Composer Outdoor Musical Instrument	1	\$4,150
In-ground Post Mounts	3	\$900
Freight (indicative)	1	\$580
Installation Allowance	1	\$1,500

Pricing Note

Costs provided are indicative to support funding applications. Final pricing, including freight and installation, may vary depending on location, instrument selection, and site requirements. Applicants are encouraged to obtain a formal quote to confirm project costs.

Budget Justification

The proposed funding request represents a contribution toward the development of a community-focused outdoor sensory and wellbeing space.

The project will be co-funded, demonstrating strong commitment and shared investment in delivering a high-quality and impactful outcome.

The installation is designed as a permanent asset with a lifespan exceeding 20 years, ensuring long-term value.

The project supports inclusion, wellbeing, and participation, providing ongoing benefit to both students and the broader community.

The funding request reflects a realistic and proportionate investment toward a project that delivers lasting social and community outcomes.

Sustainability

The installation is designed as a long-term addition to the school environment.

It is constructed from durable materials suitable for outdoor conditions and requires minimal maintenance. Its longevity ensures that it will continue to provide value to students, families, and the community over many years.

Evaluation

The success of the project will be evaluated through:

- observation of student engagement and participation
- feedback from staff, students, and families
- increased use of outdoor space
- improved inclusion and interaction

Evaluation will be ongoing and inform future planning.

Application Considerations

ClubGRANTS applications are most successful when projects clearly demonstrate community benefit, social impact, and inclusion outcomes.

Positioning the project as a shared space that supports both students and the broader community is essential.

Applications should clearly articulate how the project supports participation, inclusion, and positive community outcomes.