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New drop-off zone now open for Woolloowin State School students and parents

Woolloowin State School parents now have a safer place to drop their children at school with the opening of a new 'drop-off' zone, constructed by Thiess John Holland as part of the Airport Link project.

The drop-off zone, located at the front of the school along Lutwyche Road, contains 13 parking bays to allow parents to drop their children at school without having to stop on busy local streets.

Thiess John Holland Project Director Gordon Ralph thanked the school for their patience during construction of the drop-off zone.

"The new drop-off zone is a real asset, enabling safe and convenient access to the school particularly during busy drop-off and pick-up times," Mr Ralph said.

"We've worked closely with Woolloowin State School throughout construction," he said.

"To minimise the inconvenience for parents whilst work occurred at the front of the school, the project provided an alternative parking area at the corner of Norman Street and Lutwyche Road.

"Project staff have also enjoyed participating in school assemblies and informing the students on the many aspects of Australia's largest infrastructure project including environmental monitoring and bridge construction.

Thiess John Holland is also fundraising to purchase new lighting for the school's pool area, with \$4000 gathered so far.

When Airport Link opens in mid-2012 it will be the first major motorway connecting Brisbane city with the airport and northern suburbs.

It will improve travel times, providing six new lanes for drivers between Bowen Hills and Kedron and four new lanes between Kedron and Toombul.

The project, which is being designed and constructed by Thiess John Holland, along with the Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and the Airport Roundabout Upgrade, is part of a massive \$4.8 billion infrastructure investment on Brisbane's northside.

Woolloowin State School and Kedron State High School also received \$5.5 million in State Government funding to help mitigate the impacts of the construction of both the toll road and the Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron).



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The funds have been used to build a new indoor sports facility at Kedron State High School and to provide both school's with air-conditioning. Air-conditioning has lessened construction noise impacts and provided a more comfortable learning environment for students in the summer months

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