

Strategic Business Plan



ACS
International
Schools
Papua New Guinea



2023 - 2027

Education in Papua New Guinea

In the document, Papua New Guinea Vision 2050, the PNG Government have outlined their aim as having:

- free and universal basic education for all children (PNG Vision 2050 1.17.2.1),
- 100% literacy rates for adults over 15 (PNG Vision 2050 1.17.2.2) and,
- an expansion of secondary education while integrating them with Universities (PNG Vision 2050 1.17.2.5, 1.17.2.5).

The challenges are clear and the report acknowledges need for help in educating their children by working in partnership with churches and other organisations to help provide schooling (PNG Vision 2050 1.17.10.2, 1.17.10.3, 1.17.10.4).

Insufficient access to education leaves the children disadvantaged, with a lack of opportunities and options for their future in an ever changing country. The absence of quality education creates a sense of discouragement and disappointment.

Teacher training is also a major issue, with many teachers under qualified (PNG Vision 2050 11.10). This shortage of training is a major impediment to the development of the next generation of leaders in Papua New Guinea.

In his response to the ACS vision of establishing a teacher training facility in PNG, the Honourable James Marape MP, Prime Minister of PNG, wrote:

“Your proposal comes at a time when this country is in great need of teachers. I believe that we have reached a situation where the need for teachers is so great that it will take many more years of appropriate investment before the required number of teachers are available for the country to deploy to schools throughout the nation. As I write this letter, we may be short by some 10,000.”
He went on to say,

“... we are desperately in need of many more new teachers each year. I am therefore very happy indeed to hear of your plans and intention to assist our country through the establishment of a teachers training college.”

Our vision of providing schools and teacher training, while working in the church and local communities (PNG Vision 2050 16.2), supports the PNG Government to fulfill its vision.





MISSION STATEMENT

Changing Nations Through Christian Education

VISION STATEMENT

Equipping Students for Life by Providing Christ-Centred Quality Education

OUR VISION

The Governing Board of ACS International Schools have a heart for quality Christian Education to help support and encourage families across the nation of Papua New Guinea.

Our primary goal is to establish schools and teacher training in Papua New Guinea. The aim is to have well trained, qualified teachers in many of the cities, towns and villages. This network may also extend to other Pacific nations.

Our Strategies

TEACHING CHILDREN

Offer excellent Biblical, Christ-centred schools in PNG, to provide a base for teaching children to become effective members of their communities and leaders in their Nation.

TRAINING TEACHERS

Provide a base for ongoing teacher training for those who are currently teaching and to train those who desire to be teachers.

BUILDING COMMUNITIES

Establish Early Learning Centres in local villages, provide literacy and numeracy trained teachers to support children as they transition into Primary Schools.

Our Governance

ACS International Schools is a company registered in PNG. It has a Board of Governors that oversees the Vision and Strategic Plan. Each ACSIS School has a School Council that acts as an Advisory Committee to the Governing Board.

School Councils are responsible for the day to day operation of their School; they comprise leaders and members of the local Church as well as professional people from the local community.

The School Councils receive input and feedback from the school community as they are involved in either the life of the school or the church.

ACS International Schools Australia is a sister organisation in Australia. It provides operational and financial advice and a level of accountability that assures that financial and administrative excellence is maintained.

School Leadership

The School Councils appoint Principals who are responsible to the School Council for leading and managing the Schools.

The Principal has a Leadership structure comprising Senior Teachers who oversee specific educational areas and the school staff. The Principal coordinates a Parents and Friends Group that is comprised of members of the local school community. This provides another opportunity to engage with these key stakeholders, to receive feedback and to hear the heartbeat of each school family.

Facilities Master Plan

With the help of architects the Board has approved a Facilities Master Plan for each School. The aim is to provide the best educational learning environment for the students now and in the future.

Master Plans include the construction of school infrastructure, classrooms, administration, recreation spaces and teacher accommodation.



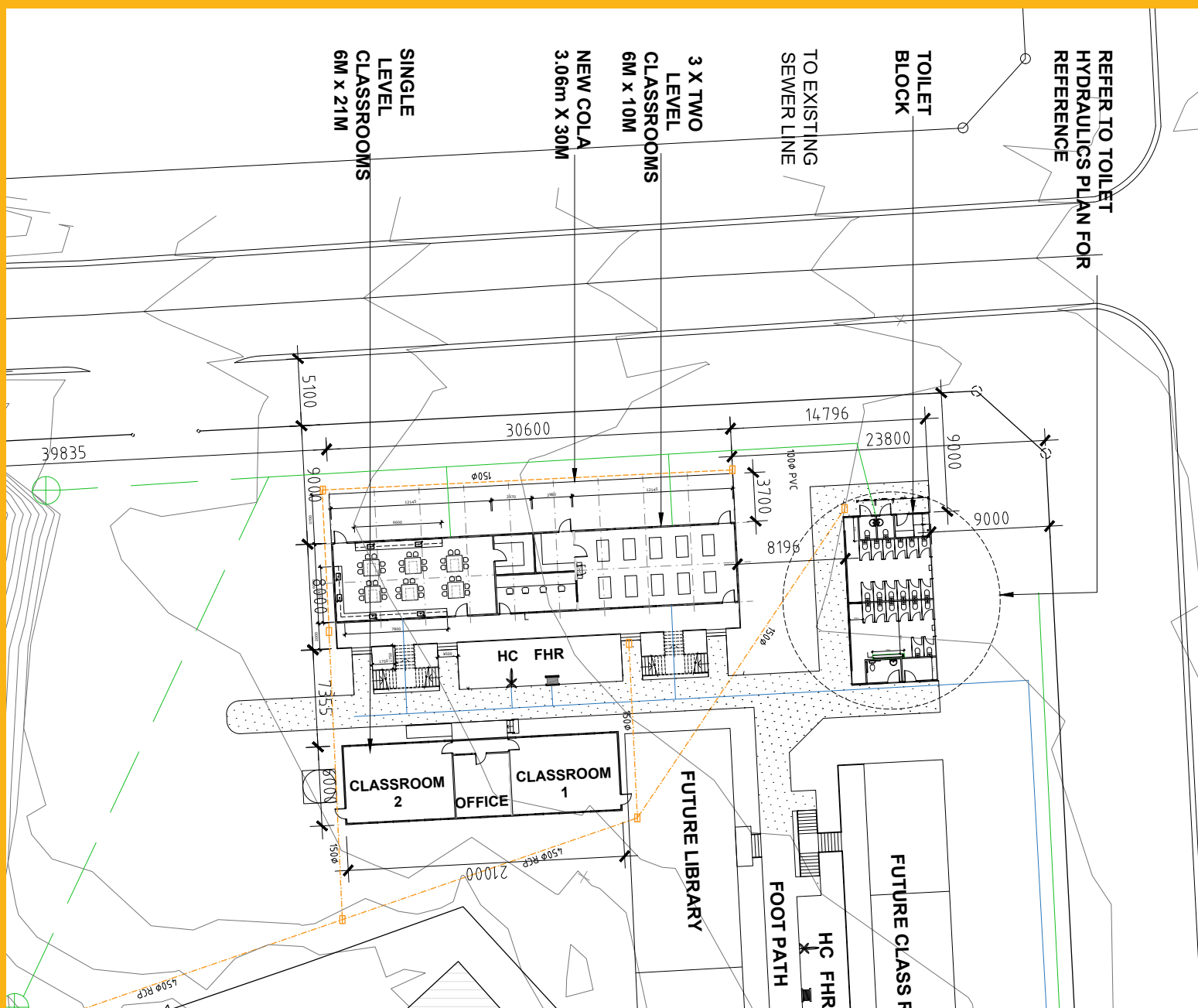


SUNRISE BETHEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL - WAIGANI

STAGE 3 and 4

In 2020 development of stages 3 and 4 of the Master Plan was completed. This provides 6 additional learning spaces and washroom facility.

Stage 5 and 6 will enable this school to expand to Year 12 and 500 students.





Funding Needs

The financial operation of the Sunrise Bethel Christian School is sustainable with the cost of staff and teaching resources being met by the school fees received from parents. This is an exciting achievement and milestone in the establishment of the schools.

The capital cost of establishing education facilities, however, will need to be funded by sources other than local parents.

SUNRISE BETHEL CAPITAL BUDGET (2023 - 2027)

STAGE 5 (2023)

Library and Finance Office

Renovations to purpose built Library and Finance Office

Budget K150,000

STAGE 6 (2025 EST)

School Facilities

Construction of 6 Senior School Classrooms

Budget Estimate K1,000,000

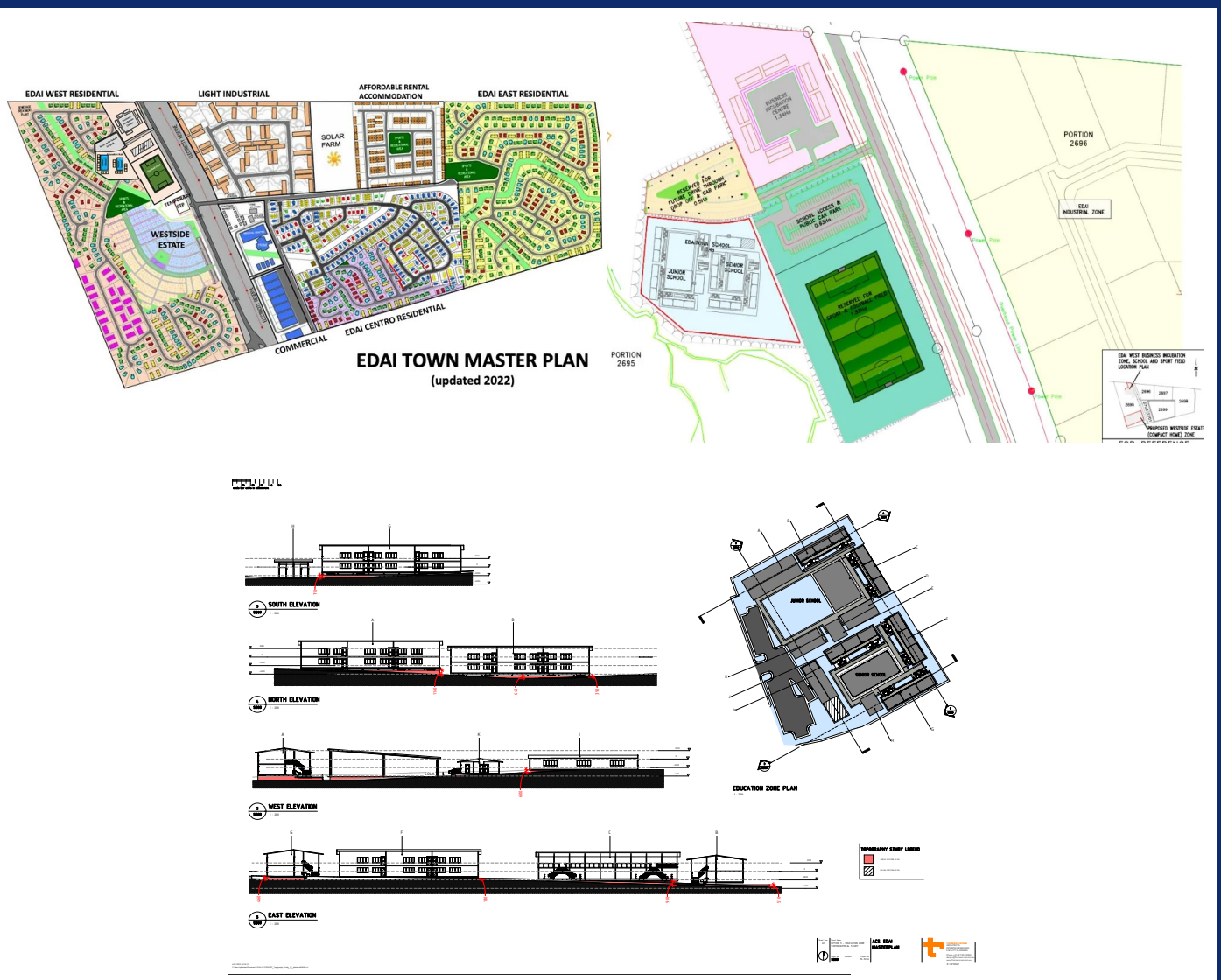




EDAI CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EDAI TOWN

In February 2020 Edai Christian School in Edai Town was officially opened by Sir Moi Avei as the newest ACS International School. The opening also marked the occasion of the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Boera Holdings, ACS International Schools and Edai Town Development to establish an education hub at Edai Town. The school will work closely with the four villages in the Hiri West LLG of Porebada, Papa, Lealea and Boera who are determined to embrace quality education for their children's future.

Edai Christian School has a long-term lease of land at Edai Town to establish a Primary and Secondary School, TVET Centre, Community Library and Sport/ Recreation oval and Teacher Accommodation.





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EDAI CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CAPITAL BUDGET (2023 - 2027)

STAGE 1

School Facilities

Construction of 12 Classrooms, Library, Washroom and Administration
Budget estimate K 3,000,000

STAGE 2

Teacher Accommodation

Construction of affordable housing for teachers
Budget estimate K1,200,000

STAGE 3

School Facilities

Construction of 6 Classrooms and Community Sport/Recreation Precinct
Budget estimate K 2,000,000





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