

Chidley Education Centre

The Chidley Education Centre in Mosman Park will remain in educational use after being sold to St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls.

Chidley opened in 1976 to provide remedial support and accommodation for special needs students from isolated country areas.

It was closed in 1998, when, after extensive consultation with the Isolated Country Parents' Association, it was decided that a program to provide resources closer to the students' families, rather than bringing students to the school was more appropriate.

The Education Department made Chidley available to St Hilda's in July 1999 after a fire destroyed one of the schools boarding facilities.

Sixty boarders will remain at Chidley until the end of the year when new boarding facilities open on the main school site.

St Hilda's will develop a primary school on the site within five years and in the meantime; the site will be used for curricula and outdoor activities.

Conditions of the sale ensure that the land must be used for educational purposes and must not be sub-divided or otherwise developed.

The \$5.2 million realised from the sale will be spent on the state schools capital works program.



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