The Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre supports the development and implementation of equity programs in NSW government schools.

The Centre assists teachers and educators by providing:
- advice about research and resources to support teaching and learning programs
- access to a wide range of contemporary resources
- facilities for professional learning activities.

**Equity Resource Library**

Over 40,000 resources make up the collection, including:
- professional readings
- teaching and learning materials
- multi-media classroom resources.

These materials support primary and secondary schools to meet the needs of students from diverse backgrounds.

All departmental staff, pre-service teachers and teachers at Community Language Schools can access the Centre’s library resources by completing and submitting a membership form.

Staff at the library are able to support borrowers in the selection and use of resources.

The collection includes teaching and professional learning materials that support student learning in:
- literacy
- numeracy
- student engagement and retention
- Aboriginal education
- teacher quality
- connected learning
- community languages.

The library collection also includes:
- New Arrivals kits
- Cultural artefacts kits
- Reconciliation kits
- Class sets of literary texts
- Preschool kits.

**Conference and meeting rooms**

The centre has a large conference room which can accommodate up to 60 people in theatre style or 42 in cabaret style. The room can be partitioned into two smaller rooms.

The meeting room will accommodate up to ten people.

Interactive whiteboards, video conferencing facilities and wireless internet are available.

Bookings can be made by telephoning the Centre.

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**Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre**

Mimika Avenue Whalan NSW 2770

**Centre hours**

8:00 am to 5:00 pm M - W
9:00 am to 3:00 pm T - F

NOTE: The Centre is closed during the first week of the NSW public school holidays in Terms 1-3. Please see the library catalogue home page for December and January opening hours.

**Enquiries and conference room bookings**

Centre phone: 02 8808 1177
Centre fax: 02 8808 1171
Centre email: equity.sydney@det.nsw.edu.au

**Library membership, borrowing and enquiries**

Library phone: 02 8808 1177
Library email: EquityResourceLibrary@det.nsw.edu.au
Library website: henryparkes.softlinkhosting.com.au

Return resources by mail to:
Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre
Reply Paid 85615
Mimika Ave
Whalan NSW 2770

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**Access the library catalogue at:** henryparkes.softlinkhosting.com.au
The Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre

Directions from Carlisle Avenue:
Turn left off Luxford Road at Mimika Ave. Turn left into the driveway 200 metres from the corner. The Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre is the first building on the left. The PCYC and Halinda School share the former Whalan High School site.

Sir Henry Parkes

*Dixon Galleries*
*State Library of NSW*
*Watercolour by: P. Spence 1887 Source: Mitchell Library, State Library of NSW*

In 1880 Sir Henry Parkes passed the Public Instruction Act in the NSW Parliament which created a statewide system of public schools offering quality education. His vision — for all students to sit ‘side by side’ and have equal access to education — remains the foundation of NSW public schools.