

Hastings Secondary College upgrade

Port Macquarie Campus

Works notification

19 October 2022

We are upgrading Hastings Secondary College to support the student community. The upgrade will involve work at both the Port Macquarie Campus (PMC) and the Westport Campus (WPC).

Works are continuing on Stages 1 and 2 of the upgrade at Port Macquarie Campus, which includes a new Technological and Applied Studies (TAS) building, refurbished Building T, Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) building, refurbishment of Buildings L and B and a redeveloped school entry.

Remediation works: Saturdays in October and November

During construction work to refurbish Buildings L and B as part of the upgrade to Port Macquarie Campus, asbestos containing material was found in the soil near the covered walkway area of Building B.

We are following all the advice and protocols of asbestos removalists, assessors, and other experts.

The area is cordoned off within the worksite and safety measures have been implemented including covering the area in plastic sheeting. The construction area is out of bounds to student and staff.

Work to remove the asbestos will take place on Saturdays from Saturday 22 October until early December.

All asbestos containing material will be removed outside of school hours.

This area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan, and any relevant site-specific management plans. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines, and based on assessment of site context and conditions.

The area will be inspected to ensure the area has been fully remediated. The construction contractor will receive a clearance certificate from the licensed hygienist following remediation.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority, and we will continue to keep the community updated. Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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