

Newcastle East Public School

Works notification

January 2020

Further asbestos containing material identified inside heritage building

Further to our notification on 10 December, the asbestos roof and verandah tiles on the heritage building have been safely removed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor during the December/January holidays.

Routine monitoring was undertaken during the works, which identified further asbestos containing material inside the heritage building. This material was confirmed as non-bonded (friable) asbestos.

Safety measures were put in place to ensure there is no risk to students, staff or the local community. The area was secured and appropriate control and monitoring measures were installed.

All the contaminated material has been safely removed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor. The works were conducted in accordance with the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and SafeWork NSW requirements including the following precautionary measures:

- Isolation of the work area
- Air monitoring, testing and clearance certification by an independent consultant hygienist

All school buildings have been tested and received all necessary clearance certifications. Buildings can be used safely by students and staff, at the discretion of the school Principal.

In response to concerns raised about any potential past exposure, SINSW has raised the issue with Work Health and Safety for their action.

The health, safety and well-being of our neighbours is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

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