

Tumbulgum Public School

Works notification | 28 March 2025

As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild essential services, a project is underway to rebuild Tumbulgum Public School after it was extensively damaged by floods in 2022. The project will deliver flood resilient classrooms, a canteen, library, administration area and landscaping.

Demolition update

Following demolition of above ground structures at the Tumbulgum Public School site, suspected asbestos containing material was found underneath one of the old school buildings.

Testing is being conducted by an independent hygienist to confirm the nature of the material and if remediation is needed.

The area is located within a construction site which is separated by hoarding and inaccessible to staff and students. Works have ceased and additional safety measures have been put in place.

We are following all the advice and protocols of independent asbestos hygienists and other experts.

Remediation works

If the material is found to contain asbestos, the area will be fully remediated in accordance with work, health and safety laws, and the site-specific Asbestos Management Plan. 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.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and local community is our highest priority. We will keep the community updated.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

More information

For more information about asbestos, visit the NSW Health website:

health.nsw.gov.au/environment/factsheets

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education using the details below.

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