

Barraba Central School - High School Campus

Works notification | 2 May 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

We have an update on the roof replacement works in Buildings D and E at Barraba Central School - High School Campus that we notified you about on [6 February 2024](#).

The material in the roof eave and gable verge lining in these buildings contains bonded asbestos, as per the school's asbestos register, which means it is attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

This type of roof replacement work begins with removing known asbestos containing material within roof eave and gable verge linings. Old materials are replaced with new durable building materials and further work on the new roof continues to finalise construction.

The existing asbestos containing roof materials are in good, undisturbed condition, which means the buildings will remain in use under normal school operating conditions before any removal and remediation works start. The buildings will be non-operational for a 4-6 week period of construction work.

The work will be carried out in one building at a time at the school, to minimise disruption to learning.

Building D - Technology and Applied Studies/Art

Work to remove the existing asbestos containing materials within the roof of Building D will take place on Saturday 4 May 2024.

Building D will be cordoned off from the afternoon of Friday 3 May 2024, after school hours. This building will remain isolated from students and staff until the roof replacement works have been completed. Works are anticipated to be completed by the end of May 2024.

Alternative classrooms at the school will be used for Technology and Applied Studies/Art classes. Any storage required for senior students' works will be organised until the contractors have completed all necessary requirements to reopen the building for use.

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Building E – Food Technology

Work to remove the existing asbestos containing materials within the roof of Building E will take place outside of school hours on Saturday 25 May 2024.

Building E will be cordoned off from the afternoon of Friday 24 May 2024, after school hours. This building will stay isolated from students and staff until the roof replacement works have been completed. Works are anticipated to be completed by the end of June 2024.

Alternative classrooms at the school will be used for classes until the contractors have completed all necessary works to reopen the rooms for use.

As an extra precautionary measure, air monitoring will be in place in Buildings D and E before the work starts.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the buildings will be inspected by an independent hygienist and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the buildings are reopened for regular operations.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.