

Bellbird Public School

Works notification | 25 May 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On Friday 19 May 2023, we were working on data cabling for the automated front pedestrian gate at Bellbird Public School. During this work, suspected asbestos containing material was found in the roof cavity of Building A.

The roof cavity is inaccessible to staff and students. As an added precaution, on the same day as the material was identified, the area was isolated and the manhole that provides access to the roof cavity was screwed shut.

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

Testing will be conducted by the engaged hygienist to confirm the nature of the material and if remediation is needed.

If necessary, this area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited independent asbestos contractors, and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

The roof cavity will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate.

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

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

