Bonalbo Central School Works notification | 6 February 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During works to refurbish Building R into the new School & Community Wellbeing Hub, suspected asbestos containing material was found in the ground beneath the building. Work immediately stopped, the material was covered and the area remained fenced off within the construction site.

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

Testing will be conducted by an independent hygienist on Monday 6 February 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 area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is re-opened to students and staff.

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.

31 January 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During the school holidays, the refurbishment of Building R at Bonalbo Central School included working with asbestos containing material in the walls.

Work took place between Monday 9 January and Friday 20 January 2023. Safety measures and monitoring were in place and the area remained out of bounds to any visitors to the school until the removal and associated maintenance work was completed.

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

Testing was completed to ensure the area has been fully remediated, the school has received a clearance certificate and the area has reopened to students and staff.

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