Canterbury Public School Works notification | 28 May 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are refurbishing the boys' and girls' bathrooms in Block A next to the library at Canterbury Public School.

This work includes repainting the walls, replacing the bathroom partitions, installing perforated metal infill to the roof and deep cleaning the vanities.

Safety measures including temporary fencing, construction site hoarding and signage are in place while works are being carried out.

Students have access to alternative bathrooms until this work is finished.

Works started on Tuesday 27 May and are expected to be finished by Monday 21 July.

Work hours are between 7 am and 6 pm Monday to Friday, and 8 am and 1 pm on Saturday.

Removal of bathroom partitions

Before work started, the existing bathroom partitions were proactively tested to determine if any asbestos-containing materials were present. These partitions are not listed on the school's asbestos register.

An independent hygienist took a sample for testing on Thursday 22 May. Test results confirmed that the partitions contain bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that "living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged".

Work to remove the partitions will occur outside of school hours on Saturday 31 May.

All work involving asbestos will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

Once the asbestos removal portion of the work is complete, an independent hygienist will inspect and issue a clearance certificate before further works take place.

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

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



